

BANDAID LESSON

We've given an Aotearoa spin on the classic bandaid lesson: Using our Te Reo Māori and English prompt cards, students use the tangible idea of an injury, to conceptualise why treating everyone exactly the same, isn't always the fair thing to do.

The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child is an agreement by countries who have promised to protect children's rights. There are four fundamental principles guiding this agreement which include non-discrimination and participation for every child, whatever their ethnicity, culture, language, abilities, gender identification, opinions, background or any other status.

PREPARE

- Buy a set of bandaids / plasters,
 1 per student.
- Print (laminate if desired) the parts of the body cards - make multiples to match class size.

DISCUSS

- What are some examples in our class where people need to be treated differently in order to be fair, and why is this important?
- Would you want to live in a world where everyone is treated exactly the same? Why? Why not?

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LESSON OUTLINE

- 1. Discuss the concept of fair. Explain that being treated fairly is a right for all children.
- 2. Distribute the parts of the body cards. Give children 5 minutes to come up with an imaginary injury or ailment for themselves relating to their card. Older children can write this down.
- 3. Re-gather children on the mat or in a circle. Call one child up and ask about their injury. Listen carefully and stick a band-aid on their imaginary injury. Make sure to ask their permission to put on a band-aid.
- 4. Call the next child up and ask about their injury. Listen carefully, but proceed to stick their bandaid on the same location as the first child. When the class laughs or opposes, state that you are treating everyone the same. Isn't that fair?
- 5. Proceed with the remainder of the class, sticking the bandaid in the same location.
- 6. Follow up with the discussion prompts (left) these could be through writing (page 5, think-pair-shares, posters or small group discussions.





Writing Prompt

Imagine a world where everyone was treated exactly the same. Would you like to live there? Why or why not?

What are some examples in our school of children being treated fairly?

Fair isn't everyone getting the same. Fair is everyone getting what they need to be successful.



Save the Children

Can you make a poster to demonstrate this message? Share it with us at education@scnz.org.nz