

Role Play Suggestions

The class is divided into four groups and each group has one of the four role-play suggestions below. You have time to plan a 60-second role-play to illustrate your assigned concept.

Your group can:

1. Use the idea here
2. Do a historical reenactment, or piece of historical fiction, or
3. Use an idea of your own to illustrate how the absence of justice, peace, kindness, or tolerance impacts relationships and civil society.

Chose one group leader who is willing to explain the group role-play and take questions from the group.

Justice Role-Play (Opposite: injustice, bigotry, stereotype, discrimination, unfairness, inequity)

A telephone conversation between a possible tenant seeking a rental. Callers use voices representing different ethnicities, genders, sexual orientation, or socio-economic status and are told there are no rentals available

Peace Role-Play (Opposite: war, violence, disorder, conflict)

A person is tapping a pencil because of an internal struggle. The first person says he/she is sick and tired of the tapping, takes the pencil, breaks it in half, and throws it on the floor. How does this play out?

Kindness Role-Play (Opposite: meanness, thoughtlessness, viciousness, malevolence, harshness)

A person makes a negative comparison between the person they are talking to and another person, and says they are worthless compared to the third party and will never amount to anything. How do the two people in conversation feel and act?

Tolerance Role-Play (Opposite: intolerance, impatience, disrespect)

A line of people is waiting to pay in a store. The first person is obviously elderly and moving slowly to get out their money and having difficulty in hearing and



understanding the checkout person. The person behind them is obviously impatient and begins to use body language that communicates their impatience as well as imitating the elderly person in a derogatory way.

