Objectives

LO 1 To find out how integration and community cohesion underpin democratic society.

LO 2 To find out how mutual understanding is encouraged in schools and the wider community.

Class:	Date:	Last lesson:	
G & T pupils:	SEN pupils:	M:	F:

Connect

Students discuss the following questions:

- *What challenged you most in the lesson about discrimination and the law (or a previous lesson)? What does another student think?*

- *Does focusing on people's differences create a barrier between people?*

Activate

Worksheet 1.10a: Strategies to encourage integration and community cohesion

- Students read the eight strategies to encourage integration and community cohesion.

- **Small-group discussion:** ask students, in relation to scenarios a)–f): *Which strategies are best in which scenarios?* (No right answers, but justifying with examples is important.)

- **Class feedback:** students discuss: *Why is it often a good idea to use more than one strategy to deal with a particular situation?*

Demonstrate

Worksheet 1.10b: How is mutual understanding encouraged in schools?

- Ask students to discuss the following in small groups: *Other than ideas similar to those on the worksheet, how does your school or college promote mutual understanding? Which extra strategies would you introduce if you ran the school council?*

- Students complete statements 1–5 on the worksheet. (Example statement 1: At GP surgeries, you can get leaflets in different languages. Patients can also ask to see a doctor of the same gender. In addition, there are posters encouraging families to notice signs of illness in older relatives.)

- **Extra support:** certain students only complete statements 1 and 2.

Consolidate

- **Paired discussion:** students discuss: *Why does a democracy rely on integration and community cohesion?*

Extra challenge

Ask more able students: *Can schools and other organisations please all of the people all of the time?*

Recommended websites

www.ageuk.org.uk

www.mencap.org.uk

Homework

Which community cohesion issue most needs tackling in your area? Explain why, giving at least two suggestions to improve the situation.