



ESCALATION OF HATE 2

Age: Upper Key stage 3 – Adult

Time required: 20 - 30 minutes

Resources: photocopies of Escalation of Hate 2 definitions (1 set per group), photocopies of Escalation of Hate 2 examples (1 set per group), flip chart paper

Delivery: Display pieces of flip chart paper around the room containing the following headings:

PREJUDICE
DISCRIMINATION
SCAPEGOATING
STEREOTYPE
HATE CRIME

Ask the participants to start thinking about definitions for these five key words. Ask them to walk around the room and try and contribute something towards a definition for each word on each sheet; it can be key words, phrases or even examples if they wish.

Once participants have returned to their seats, take each heading in turn and ask for a volunteer to read out the group's ideas. Thank them for their contributions before sharing the prepared definitions of these words with them (Escalation of Hate 2 supporting materials: Definitions) and ensure

everyone understands exactly what each word means.

Organise the participants into groups of five or six and hand out a set of the definitions. Set them the challenge of trying to arrange the different stages into an order to show how these behaviours progress. If you would like to utilise the pyramid of hate to support your discussion, you could draw the pyramid outline onto flipchart paper for them to use as a template.

Once groups are happy with their order, hand out a set of examples (Escalation of Hate 2 supporting materials: Examples) and ask them to try and match the scenarios with the definitions.

Note!

There are two sets of examples of escalation for you to choose from; one focuses on the escalation of hate towards Muslims and the second towards Gypsies and Travellers. It is important to choose the example which is most appropriate for the participants' attitudes and opinions but not to mix the two sets of examples as the clarity of the escalation might be lost.

Refer to the discussion points on page 33 to support you in drawing out main learning points.

Scapigoating

Unfairly blaming an individual or group
of people for circumstances that have a
variety of causes

Hate Crime

A criminal act directed at an individual because of their real (or perceived) religion, ethnicity, nationality, gender, sexual orientation or disability. Hate crimes can also be committed against property.

Discrimination

**Treating an individual or group of people
unfairly because of shared characteristics,
for example their skin colour, religion,
sexuality, disability, gender**

Prejudice

**An unfavourable opinion or feeling formed
without knowledge, thought or reason**

Stereotyping

An oversimplified generalisation about an entire group of people without regard for individual differences.

Escalation of Hate 2 Example 1:

'All Gypsies have ridiculous weddings, steal stuff, live illegally on land and don't pay any taxes'

'There is no way I would want to live anywhere near a Gypsy or Traveller'

'There has been an increase in crime and anti social behaviour in our area; it will be because of all the Gypsies that have moved in'

A Traveller tries to register her child in a local school, the school explains that there are no places available, a friend of hers who is not a Traveller, enrolls her child the very same day

Johnny Delaney, an Irish Traveller was beaten to death in Cheshire in 2003, when asked why they did it the attackers replied "He deserved it, he was only a f*****g Gyppo"

Escalation of Hate 2 Example 2:

'Shazad was violently attacked and told "Get back to your own country" "You terrorist, you Paki"'

'A Muslim women was told a job had been taken when really it hadn't'

'I wouldn't want to sit next to a Muslim on a plane'

'This area has really gone downhill since all those Muslims moved in'

'Muslims are all bombers who wear turbans'