

Activity 3 | Differences and similarities (20 min)

Difference and diversity make the world an interesting place and equally just because people live in different places doesn't mean they don't have things in common.

(activity) To illustrate both differences and similarities amongst your pupils, call out a series of statements and ask them to stand up if it applies to them. For example, 'I have blue eyes', 'I speak another language than English', 'I like dancing', 'I have siblings', etc. Are pupils surprised by how much they have in common?

If you want students to dig deeper, you could ask them to interview each other in pairs and find out five things they have in common and five things in which they differ.

(activity) Divide pupils into pairs or small groups and assign each group two of the children to research and compare. What do the children have in common and what is very different? Assign pupils two of the children to research and compare in more detail; and also ask them to compare their findings with their own lives.