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GUIDELINES FOR DIALOGUE

**TALKING
FAITH.
MAKING
FRIENDS.
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LIVES.**

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GUIDELINES FOR DIALOGUE TRANSFORMING OUR ENCOUNTERS WITH OTHERS

Learning to explore faith in healthy ways is an important skill for life. These simple guidelines ensure a safe place for young people to talk faith, make friends and change lives.

**LISTEN
TO WHAT
EVERYONE
HAS TO SAY**

**DO NOT TELL
OTHERS WHAT
THEY BELIEVE,
BUT LET THEM
TELL YOU**

**DO NOT FORCE
PEOPLE TO
AGREE WITH
YOUR VIEWS**

**ACKNOWLEDGE SIMILARITIES AND
DIFFERENCES BETWEEN OUR FAITHS**

**SPEAK
POSITIVELY OF
YOUR FAITH,
RATHER THAN
NEGATIVELY
ABOUT OTHER
PEOPLE'S**

**MAKE EVERY
EFFORT TO GET
ALONG WITH
EVERYONE
REGARDLESS
OF THEIR
FAITH, GENDER,
ETHNICITY
OR AGE**

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**DO NOT JUDGE
PEOPLE HERE
BY WHAT SOME
PEOPLE OF
THEIR FAITH OR
COMMUNITY DO**

**DO NOT TREAT
SOMEONE AS A
SPOKESPERSON
FOR THEIR FAITH
OR CULTURE**

**BE HONEST IN
WHAT YOU SAY**

**RESPECT OTHER
PEOPLE, EVEN
IF YOU DISAGREE
WITH THEIR
VIEWS**

**AT ANY STAGE YOU
CAN ASK FOR A
DISCUSSION
TO BE STOPPED
IF YOU FEEL
UNCOMFORTABLE**