

The Harbor – Flash Judgement (Season 1, Episode 1: Judgement)

JUDGEMENT



OVERVIEW

The first episode of The Harbor discusses judgement, and the dangers of it. This activity will allow students to make flash judgements themselves and see how wrong (or right) they can be.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Pass out a worksheet with 3 or 4 photos of people (subjects of judgement) on it. Have one of the photos be of Mike Smith (see “Flash Judgement Example PDF” also posted in the Idea Exchange).
2. Have students answer a few questions about the people. Some example questions are: Who is this person? - Give them an age, ethnic heritage, educational background, etc. Where does this person live? What do they do for a living? etc. (See specific example in “Flash Judgement Example PDF”)
3. Have a group discussion so that the students can share the words and ideas that they associate with each of the people presented.
4. Show the Judgement Episode of The Harbor (Season 1, Episode 1) to reveal information about Mike Smith to the students while also learning about the topic of judgement.
5. Discuss where judgement on Mike Smith came from – What made the students believe what they did? You can discuss times that students felt judged and where they have seen judgement in their real lives. (Additional questions can be found in the critical thinking guide for ‘Judgement’ that accompany the episode on www.JostensRenaissance.com/theharbortv)
6. Reveal the other people that were shown to the students. They can be people featured on The Harbor or other interesting people.

Note: The submitter of this idea has lessons built around each of her subjects of judgement. She has her students make flash judgement on all of her future lesson ‘subjects’ at once. As the semester goes on she revisits the flash judgements before showing video clips on each of the people. More info on her specific examples can be found in the corresponding “Flash Judgement Example PDF” included with this idea in the Idea Exchange.

School type: MS, HS

Activity goal: To teach a lesson on judgement

Prep Time: Minimal. Can use examples provided or work into existing lessons.

People required: Instructor

Space requirements: Normal classroom space

Timing: Any time

Materials: “Flash Judgement Example PDF” also Harbor critical thinking PDF for Judgement found on www.theharbortv.com

Cost: Exclusively available to Jostens customers

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