

Do boys and girls have different roles?

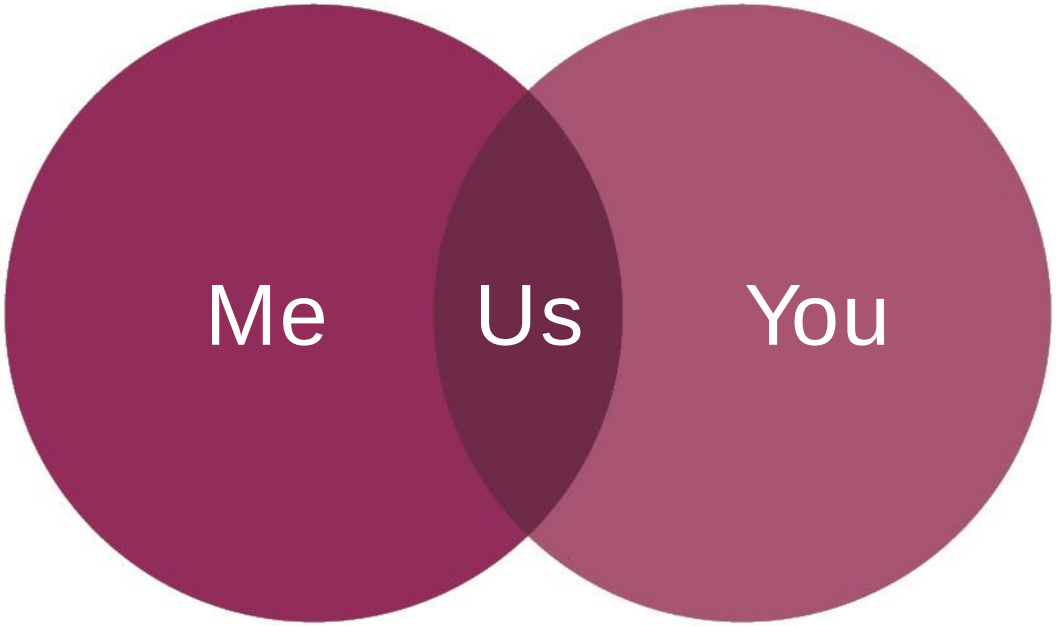
Ground Rules

Respect



Listening









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Learning Objective:

To learn about the roles played by boys and girls.

Learning Outcomes:

I can…

- recognise common stereotypes about men and women.
- explain what ‘stereotype’ and ‘discrimination’ means.
- reflect and challenge stereotypes I hear.

“There are some roles/jobs that men can do better than women and women can do better than men.”



Do you agree or disagree?



Task 1

What words or phrases do you think of when you hear ‘man’ and ‘woman’? Share ideas with your partner…

Man	Woman

Task 2

Did you say any of the following things, or anything similar?

Man	Woman
Active	Pretty
Sporty	Caring
Strong	Cries a lot
Builder	Likes flowers
Short hair	Likes pink
Earns the money	Long hair
Fixes things around the house	Does the cleaning

Stereotype

A stereotype is a **fixed belief** about a particular group of people. This could be to do with a part of the group's identity i.e. religion, nationality, gender

i.e. girls are better at cooking than boys

*(a **gender** stereotype)*

Reflect



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Is it fair to say *all* men or *all* women are a certain way? Have you met **all the men** and **all the women** in the world? Was it 'fair' how we made assumptions about men and women?

If we do not challenge these assumptions and stereotypes when we hear them it could lead to discrimination.

i.e. a teacher doesn't let a boy use paints in class because he believes 'boys are messy'.

Discrimination is when someone **treats a person differently to others** because of that fixed belief.

Task 3

How can I challenge gender stereotyping?

How can we respond?

1) You hear a boy in the playground shout '**you run like a girl!'** to someone in your class.
2) A girl laughs when your friend says their dad is a nurse and says '**that's a job for women!'**
3) When a girl says they want to a be a firefighter when she is older a boy says '**you can't be a firefighter, girls aren't strong enough!**'
4) Another girls says '**I want to be a mummy as everyone in my family says that is the best job there is!'** when asked what job she wants to have when she is older.
5) A boy is crying in class and gets angry at himself saying **'boys aren't supposed to cry!'**

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Do you agree or disagree?



You can talk to…

Trusted adult

Staff member at school

Teacher

School nurse

Parent or carer

ChildLine 0800 1111



Any ideas?


Boys' Toys
Girls' Toys






Girl talk
it's a girl thing!
Poster
LOL pets
Can you guess Who these cuties look like?
PLUS
Your crazy pets!
Girls are amazing!
Are YOU ready to take the challenge?
Fashion
Tons of bargains you'll LOVE!
1D
Chilling out & looking glam!





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