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*Helping Children  
Identify,  
Discuss,  
and Prevent  
Prejudice*




## About the Program

**Different and the Same is a child-focused initiative that helps kids identify, discuss, and prevent prejudice.**


 The centerpiece of the program is a series of nine 12-15 minute, child-friendly videotapes developed by the company affiliated with the highly-regarded children's program "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood." The videos utilize a diverse group of puppets and live actors to teach lessons about differences, respect, and getting along with others. In addition, a 122-page teacher's guide and a workshop facilitator's guide accompany each set of videos.


 Through the tapes, teachers and their students touch on themes including stereotyping, speaking different languages, cross-cultural and interracial friendships, and standing up against prejudice.

 A trained facilitator guides the process, encouraging the participants to share their own experiences and to come up with creative solutions. These lessons stay with children for a lifetime, helping them to develop into caring and compassionate citizens.





## About Volunteering

**A small commitment for such a large impact**

 Different and the Same is a nine-week commitment to present the program once a week in a local elementary school. The presentation takes about 45 minutes to an hour and includes a pre-discussion, video segment, post-discussion, and storytime. Just one hour can help a child understand what prejudice and discrimination are and how to deal with these concepts in their everyday lives. Each class has an average of 20-25 students who are eager to learn and participate.

 All volunteers receive training in the program's concepts and structure, classroom situations, and communication techniques.

 Volunteers are provided a Different and the Same kit, which includes:

-  A 122-page teacher's and workshop facilitator's guide
-  9 DVDs - One for each of the program's lessons
-  A storybook to read to your class for each week
-  Completion certificates and a keepsake for each student



## Become a Volunteer

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Street:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City/State:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

All you have to do to become a Different and the Same volunteer is to fill out the form above, detach it from the brochure, stamp and mail.



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