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RESEARCH PROJECT: RESEARCH PAPER – PERSONAL EXAMPLES GUIDELINES

Writing Workshop #2

For this section of your research paper, your group will discuss the everyday examples of your discrimination topic present in your lives. You will write a paragraph that identifies and explains four everyday examples and provides specific examples of each. Your paragraph will also have an introductory and a conclusive sentence.

To start your brainstorming, discuss how your discrimination topic is present in your lives. Consider how is your discrimination topic present in your school? How is your discrimination topic present on TV? How is your discrimination topic present on social media? How is your discrimination topic present within advertisements?

YOU NEED A BRAINSTORMING LIST WITH 15 EXAMPLES MINIMUM! You will record your brainstorming list on a separate sheet of paper. These should all be examples you are familiar with, ones you have experienced or witnessed in everyday life.

EXAMPLE TOPIC: DISABILITY DISCRIMINATION

EXAMPLE BRAINSTORMING LIST:

- One elevator in the school; multiple staircases
- No disabled individuals in music videos
- Limited examples of disabled individuals as TV characters (*Degrassi*)
- Limited examples of disabled individuals in movies (*Dear John*)
- Bullying incidents
- Sidewalk spacing for wheelchair ramps
- Ramps located in inconvenient places
- Private buildings don't always have ramp access
- Aisle spacing not wide enough for wheelchair
- Inappropriate names called
- People saying "that's retarded"
- My cousin is given mean looks in public
- Separate Olympics
- Separate recreational sports teams for disabled
- ...

Based off this brainstorming list, you will identify four overarching examples of everyday inequality for your topic. You will then provide a specific example for each overarching example of everyday inequality.

For example, I look at my brainstorm list and see the four examples:

- Sidewalk spacing for wheelchair ramps
- Ramps located in inconvenient places
- Private buildings don't always have ramp access
- Aisle spacing not wide enough for wheelchair

I am going to group these examples together into the everyday category of "public space accessibility."

EVERDAY EXAMPLE: Public spaces are not always designed to accommodate easy accessibility for wheelchair patrons.

SPECIFIC EXAMPLE: For example, many retail stores do not have enough space in between clothing racks for wheelchair accessibility, such as at the retail store Forever 21 where the racks are so close together that a wheelchair would simply not fit through, preventing wheelchair patron from shopping.

Once you select your four everyday examples and identify what specific example will be used for each, your group will write your one final paragraph on your Office 365 research paper document.

Your structuring of this section should adhere to the following format:

1. Introductory Statement (Think of this as the thesis statement of this section; write a simple sentence that identifies what this specific section is about).
2. Everyday Example #1
3. Specific Example #1
4. Everyday Example #2
5. Specific Example #2
6. Everyday Example #3
7. Specific Example #3
8. Everyday Example #4
9. Specific Example #4
10. Conclusion Statement (This statement should NOT be a restatement of your introductory statement; instead, think about why this section is important or how it connects to your paper's purpose of fighting inequality).