Who Are You? (Ice Breaker)-

No Name Calling Week

**Time:** 10 minutes

**Objective:** to highlight similarities and differences between class /group members. This is a good ice breaker activity, especially for participants who haven’t worked together before.

**Materials:**

* Masking tape

**Activity**:

Before beginning, place two long lines of masking tape on either side of the room. Everyone stands side by side, on one side of the room. Tell the participants that they cannot speak during this activity. Read a statement from the list below and have the participants who have experienced what you read walk to the line for a few seconds and look at the other people on the line, and then return. If space is limited, this activity may be altered to ‘Stand up if …’

Alternatively, another way to run the activity is to have all participants stand at one end of a court. Each time a statement applies to them, they take one step forward until someone reaches the other end of the court.

**Walk to the line/take a step forward if you …**

* Heard a racial slur
* Made a negative comment about someone based on their appearance
* Have ever received a compliment regarding your physical appearance
* Have ever unintentional judged someone based on their racial stereotype
* Given someone a positive compliment
* Have ever been called dumb
* Have explored your parent’s and grandparent’s background
* Judged someone based on their clothing
* Have been labeled based on their after school activities
* Have been called a racial slur
* Are disappointed with your last name
* Have a nickname that they like
* Watched a TV show or movie that negatively portrays a character based on their race
* Are proud of your heritage