Topic: Rights & Responsibilities

(IOM Middle East)

Activity: Equal Rights

Time

10-15 minutes

Materials

 Pictures of various "American" people, including men and women, children (boys and girls), a baby, poor people and rich people, people of different ethnicities, famous people, police, soldiers, etc.

Practice

- 1. Briefly discuss the rights of people in their own country. Who has the most rights? Who has the least?
- 2. Hand out all the pictures, one picture per person.
- 3. Ask participants to line up according to which of the people in the pictures have the most / least rights in their country of origin. The person with the most rights stands at the head of the line, the person with the least at the end of the line.
- 4. Now ask participants to line up according to which of the people in the pictures have the most / least rights in the U.S. The person with the most rights stands at the head of the line, the person with the least at the end of the line.
- 5. After they have done so, if they are not correct, correct them. In fact, they should be standing in a circle or in a group because, in the U.S., everyone has the same rights.

Discussion

• Is it really true that everyone in the U.S. has the same rights? (In theory, yes, but in reality? Be honest!)

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