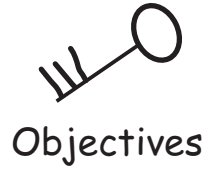


WORKING WITH DIFFERENT PEOPLE

In this section you can:

- identify some of the different people you associate with
- recognise the different types of relationships you have
- recognise what you each contribute to the relationship
- discover what these relationships say about you and who you are





Activity 1

Listed below is a selection of people that you may come into contact with in your everyday life. Choose the ones that you associate with and think about what you have in common with each of them and in what ways you are different. Think about skills, working styles, interests, connections and values, rather than physical characteristics or appearance. Put your choices in the first column of the table and then complete the remaining columns. Add at least three more people that you know to the list.

Possible links

- | | | |
|----------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| your parents | your partner | your children |
| best friend | neighbours | local shopkeeper |
| tutor/teacher | work colleagues | your boss/manager |
| sports coach | social worker | local councillor |
| Member of Parliament | doctor | bus driver |
| other parents | policeman | committee member |

People you know	What do you have in common?	How are you different?
daughter	Home; our wellbeing, shared interests; contact with extended family...	daughter dependent on me for guidance; she likes to plan ahead, I am more spontaneous....

Activity 2

Now select **five** people from your list and answer these questions about them.



How would you describe your relationship with this person?

1.
2.
3.
4.
5.

What do they contribute to your relationship?

1.
2.
3.
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What do you contribute to your relationship?

1.
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Activity
continued

Activity 2 continued

Do you work well/not so well together? Can you say why?

1.
2.
3.
4.
5.

Are your opinions and ideas recognised within the relationship?

1.
2.
3.
4.
5.

Activity 3

A group of friends decide to organise a charity football match together. What effect might the different personalities in the group have on the final outcome? Think about choosing a location, inviting teams, organising refreshments, expenses, everybody having their say, etc. Discuss the following questions with your work group:

What are the advantages/disadvantages if the group includes people with **similar** personalities?

What are the advantages/disadvantages if the group includes people with **opposite** personalities?

Who do you like to work with? What is it about these particular people that suits your working style? (If you cannot think of examples, discuss the kind of personalities you would choose to work with.)



Activity



Discussion



What have you learned?

Evaluation Questions

What did you find out about the people you associate with? Do you know lots of different types of people or are the people you come into contact with all very similar? Why do you think that is?

Having examined your different links, how does your contribution differ in different types of relationship?

What do these different relationships say about who you are?