



Picture it Like This Activity

Read out a question surrounding a controversial topic, for example:

How would it affect you and your lifestyle if there were a machine that could read the complete genetic information of any individual?

Each participant will need a sheet of A4 paper.

Ask the group to hold the paper landscape and fold it in two.

Open it up again so that the page is now split in two by the crease down the middle.

On one side of the paper, ask the participants to either write words or draw pictures to express how they themselves feel about the particular situation, and how it would/may impact their lives.

For the other side of the paper, give them each a role, and ask them to draw or write how they would now feel in the same situation, in their new identity. How may the situation now impact their lives?

You can display these drawings around the room to allow the group to view each other's ideas and opinions.

Additional Notes:

- Not everyone wants to express themselves by talking out loud in a group. This is an activity that is a great way for pupils to express themselves creatively
- Below are some examples of the types of roles you can distribute out to the class, depending on your controversial question:
 - Members of the Government
 - Insurance Company
 - Shop Keeper
 - Scientist
 - Parent
 - Doctor
 - Patient
 - Sibling