| Activity Name | Can I come in? |
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| Goals | • To develop knowledge and understanding about refugees and their rights |
| | To practise skills to present arguments and make judgements |
| | • To promote solidarity with people who are suddenly forced to flee their homes. |
| | It addresses: |
| | • The plight of refugees and the social and economic arguments for giving and denying asylum |
| Description | 1. Trainer introduces the main aim of the activity |
| | 2. Start with a brainstorm to find out what people know about refugees. Write the points on a large sheet of paper or flipchart to refer to in the discussion later. |
| | 3. Show people the set-up and explain the scenario. Tell them that they are on the border between countries X and Y. A large number of refugees have arrived. They want to cross into Y. They are hungry, tired and cold and have travelled a long way from their home countries, P; Q and R. Some have a little money and only a few have identification documents or passports. The border officials from country Y have different points of view about the situation. The refugees are desperate, and use several arguments to try to persuade the border officials to let them in." |
| | 4. Divide the participants into three groups: one group to represent the refugees, the second group to represent the border officials in countryY, and the third group to be observers. |
| | 5. Tell the "refugees" and the "border officials" to work out a role for each person and what their arguments will be. Advise the observers about giving feedback. Distribute the role cards and give people fifteen minutes to prepare. |
| | 6. Start the role-play. Use your own judgement about when to stop, but about ten minutes should be long enough. |

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| | 7. Give the observers five minutes to prepare their feedback; then start the debriefing and evaluation. |
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| Type of activity | Group work |
| Duration | 60 minutes |
| Space & Materials | <i>Space</i> : A spacious room. <i>Materials</i> : Role cards, flipchart or board to write on, chalk and or furniture to create the border crossing post, pens and paper for the observers to make notes |
| Learning Outcomes | After the completion of the activity, the participants should be able to: To understand refugees, eliminate discrimination and to promote solidarity with people in the community |
| Module | Promoting Citizenship & Democratic Values |
| Source | https://www.coe.int/en/web/compass/discrimination-and-intolerance |