

Entry 148: *Night* Pre Reading Scenarios

Directions:

1. Read prompts carefully.
2. Respond honestly; what you write will **not** be shared.
3. Credit will be given for complete and thoughtful responses; your teacher is not looking for “correct” responses.
4. Each response should neatly fill the space provided.

An adult makes a racist comment and tries to engage you in conversation about how “those people” should go home. How do you respond? Why? Would you respond in the same way, or differently, if the comment and ensuing conversation were sexist or homophobic? Why or why not?

You are with a group of your friends at lunch; a student who is different from the group (style of dress, race, etc.) walks by alone. Someone makes a rude comment based only on the person’s physical appearance. Another person picks up the thread until the group is verbally abusing the person. The person has continued walking by without stopping or responding. How do you respond to your friends? Why?

You hear someone say “That’s gay” referring to something he or she thinks is stupid. What are your feelings about this phrase being used in this way? How do you respond to the situation? Why?