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Equality - PENCIL POWER!

Make the World a Better Place. Share what you have to say with others!

- **Share Your Opinion:** letters, announcements, e-mails and blogs
- **Get the Word Out:** signs & posters, T-shirt slogans, bumper stickers
- **Share Your Feelings:** music, poetry, dance, art
- **Inform and Influence:** essays, reports, speeches
- **Raise Funds for a Cause:** events, goods, services

Identify a group in your country or another area of the world which you feel is not receiving equal treatment under the law. Some categories to think about are gender, age, ethnicity, beliefs, culture, and economic status. Choose one of the projects listed below. Be sure to check the Assessment Guide to help you do your best.

1. Share Your Opinion

Share your opinion through a letter to the editor of your local newspaper or an announcement over your school PA system, or participate in a blog-site or series of e-mails. Be sure to support your opinion with at least three reasons and make at least one suggestion for how the situation can be changed.

2. Get the Word Out

Raise awareness of the issue by creating signs or posters for your school or other public areas; create a T-shirt to wear or bumper stickers to display. Be sure to spread the word with at least three reasons why people should care and make at least one suggestion for what people should do about it.

3. Share Your Feelings

Explore your feelings by creating a song, poem, dance or work of art. Ask your teacher where and how you can share your artistic expression. Write an artist's statement to share with your audience. Include at least three reasons why you feel the way you do and make at least one suggestion for what people can do to change the situation.

4. Inform and Influence

Write and present or publish a speech or essay in which you attempt to inform your audience of the issue and convince them that something needs to be done. Be sure to include at least three strong details to support your argument as well as a suggestion for how the issue could be solved.

5. Raise Funds for a Cause

Find an organization that supports your cause. Plan an event; sell a product or provide a service to raise funds to donate to this organization. Write a statement in which you describe the cause; give at least three reasons why individuals should support this cause and at least one way in which the donated funds will help to solve the issue.

I am going to _____ because _____

