

IDENTIFYING COMMON STEREOTYPES

This activity is designed to get stereotypes out into the open so that they can be more honestly examined. The following contains a list of different social groups and types of associations you may have with each social group.

Write down the types of characteristics you think are typically associated with these groups. You have been given a start with some examples for women and men but be sure to expand on the examples. After you write them down, note whether they are positive or negative.

	TRAITS <i>(positive and negative)</i>	INTERESTS & ABILITIES	PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS	EXPECTED ROLE BEHAVIORS
MEN	<i>independent, arrogant</i>	<i>good at and enjoy sports</i>	<i>strong</i>	<i>business managers</i>
WOMEN	<i>nurturing, whiney</i>	<i>good with and like children</i>	<i>graceful</i>	<i>homemakers</i>
AFRICAN AMERICANS				
ASIANS				
HISPANICS				
PEOPLE WITH DISABILITY				
OLDER PEOPLE				
CHRISTIANS				

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