

Video: “Brown Eyes, Blue Eyes”

In this video, Jane Elliot discriminates against students with brown eyes one day and then discriminates against students with blue eyes the next. This is a great way to show the harmful effects of discrimination and the detrimental effects on learning when people are told that they are inferior.

After the video, have students do a five minute “free write” on their ideas about the video or the topic. Have students underline their best sentences. Ask for volunteers to share their best sentence. Usually a good discussion follows.

This video is available online at:

<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/pages/frontline/shows/divided/etc/view.html>