

F. Who says what?

Part 1. Match the following terms with their corresponding attitude.

anarchist agnostic patriot pessimist atheist nonconformist
 cynic romantic racist fanatic optimist idealist

If you say ...

- I love my country and could never dream of living elsewhere.
- I don't believe in God or any other higher power.
- I don't think that it is possible to know whether or not God exists.
- I dread to think about how this will turn out. I just know that it will end in disaster.
- I feel strongly about social issues and believe that everyone should do their part to make a difference.
- People are basically hypocrites. I am convinced that those who do charity work do it for their own sake.
- We just can't see eye to eye on this issue. I refuse to accept any foreigner as my neighbour or as a member of my family.
- Our way is the only way! I am prepared to do anything in support of our cause, even if it means that innocent people will be hurt.
- I am convinced that everything will turn out fine. Just look at the bright side, you've still got your health.
- Everyone should be free to do whatever they like. Some may think it would cause chaos, but as far as I'm concerned, laws and rules suck!
- I've never understood people who always follow the rules of etiquette. I always wear blue jeans and I'll be wearing them at my own wedding!
- I am a passionate believer in love.
- I truly believe that if we all just pull together, we can make the world a better place.

... then you must be a/an ...

activist

Part 2. Find the translation of the phrases below and then use them to express your own attitudes about religion, love, politics, law, or society in general. Share them with your partner and find out if you agree with each other.

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| 1. Olen vakuuttunut, että ... | 4. En ole koskaan ymmärtänyt ihmisiä, jotka ... |
| 2. Olen valmis hyväksymään sen, että ... | 5. Uskon vahvasti, että ... |
| 3. Mielestäni / mitä minuun tulee ... | |



Using inclusive language

When speaking or writing in English, it is very important to know the exact words to use, so as not to offend anyone. For example, when referring to racial or ethnic groups you should be aware of which words are offensive, outdated and inaccurate.

inclusive language korrekti, ketään syrjimätön kielenkäyttö
offensive loukkaava
inaccurate epätarkka

For more on using inclusive language

G. Being an active citizen

Exercise E presented several examples of how just ordinary people, young and old, can make a difference by taking a stand against injustice. Go through the following list and discuss the different ways to promote change.

Which methods do you consider most effective?
For which causes? In which situations?

Discuss any personal experiences you may have had.

- exercise passive resistance
- boycott a company / product / brand / place of business
- participate in or organise a sit-in / a peaceful march / a demonstration
- volunteer your time
- give to charity
- sign a petition
- circulate a petition
- write a letter to ...
- speak out against an issue
- contact local authorities
- exercise your right to vote
- lobby for a cause
- work within an organisation to promote change

