

2 hours total (minimum)

POWER – SOCIAL IDENTITY

Discussion of forms of power

Objective:

-rights, power, voice, privilege, representation

-allies

Expressions of power and influence - examples

15 minutes

Name dimensions

- power over
- power to
- power with
- power within

Focus on

power over for further discussion

10 minutes

Power Flower Exercise

Rules. Do not want to share OK – but, opportunity for learning. Respect for each of us as human beings.

5 minutes

1. As large group.

Pass out to each person. Who is dominant globally?

Name who is dominant and wields power in “society” on each outer petal of flower.

20 minutes

2. Get together with two others and discuss. In your area? Commonalities and differences.

10 minutes

3. Individually. Name your own location according to these dimensions on inner petals.

5 minutes

4. Back in trios to discuss. Where do you have power – do not have power? How do you use your power?

10 minutes

5. Bigger plenary discussion.

Discuss

– allies.

- Multiple oppressions but not comparing oppressions

Useful, not useful why?

20 minutes

