



Post-Tour Reflection Questions

“We have not yet learned anything at all . . . it is here that we can learn how peace can be attained.” Mel Mermelstein at the Auschwitz Concentration Camp

1. Explain something impactful or memorable that you remember from the documentary.
2. What aspect of Mel’s life was most inspiring to you and why?
3. How did Mel mourn the loss of his family?

4. What art piece in the museum impacted you the most? Why?

5. Which item had something in it that connected to you? [Colors, shapes, form of artwork, something else]

6. How did Mel stand up to Holocaust deniers?

Call to Action



Visitors to the center are motivated to develop a sense of moral responsibility – a call to action – in response to the monumental challenges they confront in our world today. They learn and discover tools and a skill set on how to be an “upstander” instead of a “bystander” in times of communal and personal need.

When things happen to other people, do we have a responsibility to intervene? Can we play a role in problem-solving for others? The answer is yes. We should, and we can.

Possibilities:

1. Be a friend to the person being bullied. Let the person being bullied know that you’re there for them. They’re probably feeling really lonely, so it will help them to know they’ve got some support.
2. Shift the focus away from the bullying situation. You can help by interrupting the bullying in the moment. Ask the person who’s being bullied for their help with something important or invite them to sit with you. If you’re friends with the person doing the bullying try to divert their attention from the person they are bullying.
3. Call the person out on their bullying behavior. Speaking up while bullying is happening can be scary, but it can make a huge difference. If you feel safe, step in and call the person out on their bullying behavior. Be direct, calm and confident and let them know that their behavior is not okay. It can help to have some backup, so chat to a close friend beforehand and check that you’ve got their support.
4. Leave the situation, and then act. If you don’t feel safe to step in and stop the bullying while it’s happening, it’s best to walk away and think about what you can do to help. The bullying will last longer if there is an audience. Say something to the person who is doing the bullying later on.
5. Ask for help. Support the person who is being bullied to ask for help. Offer to go with them or point them towards a trusted adult. [ReachOut.com]

You could be the helping hand that makes all the difference. Each person matters; each person has value and worth and is deserving of respect and kindness.

Be that person who makes a difference!



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