

Sample Discussions

Pre-reading Part B (p.39)

1. Can you accept and respect different opinions?

A: Yes, I believe it's important to embrace different opinions when interacting with others. I recognise that my own personal views may be influenced by **subjective biases** and listening to others can prevent me from being **one-sided**. How about you?

B: To be honest, I sometimes find it challenging to be open to different opinions. I feel that accepting different **perspectives** can sometimes be seen as avoiding responsibility or lacking confidence ...

2. Which type of people needs the most support and why?

A: Who do you think is most in need of support in our **community**?

B: I believe that the elderly are the most **vulnerable** group in need of our help. As people age, their bodies tend to **deteriorate** and they may suffer from diseases such as Alzheimer's.

C: You're right. Many elderly people who live alone may experience feelings of **insecurity** and **loneliness**, which can have a negative impact on their **mental and emotional wellbeing**.

D: I see what you mean. While I agree that the elderly are a vulnerable group, I also think that **ethnic minorities** require a lot of support. Due to language barriers, they may face difficulties in their daily lives, which can limit their job opportunities ...