This activity contributes to the following badges:



Community Impact Staged Activity Badge



Cub Global Issues Activity Badge



Scout World Challenge Award



Explorer Global Issues Actvity Badge



Oueen's Scout Award, Chief Scout's Diamond Award, Chief Scout's Platinum Award

Thought about peer leadership?

Could one of your young people lead this activity for their section?

Beavers | Cubs | Scouts | Explorers

Refugee Response

Encourage empathy and understanding with this simple activity

Time 45 minutes

Preparation

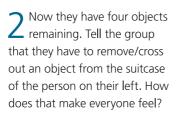
Discuss what it means to be a refugee with your section in order to help them understand what it might be like.

Equipment

- paper
- pens

Instructions

Ask everyone to draw a suitcase on their sheet of paper and to then draw their five favourite possessions inside it. Once everyone has done this, tell them their suitcase is too heavy and they need to draw a line through one item.



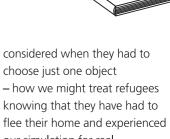
Now they have three objects left. Tell the group that they have a rough journey on a bus and one of their objects breaks. Ask them to close their eyes and point to one object in their suitcase and cross it out. Did they find that hard?

Now they have two objects 4 left. Tell the group that they have found a safe place to stay but it's very small so they can only keep one object. How do they make that decision?

Once everybody has just the one object in their suitcase, gather the young people together and discuss:

- how it made them feel when they lost their objects during their journey
- what kind of things they

our simulation for real.



Take it further

This activity could be the start of a community project as part of the World Challenge Award, the Chief Scout's Platinum Award, the Chief Scout's Diamond Award or the Queen's Scout Award.

