

A Piece of Justice

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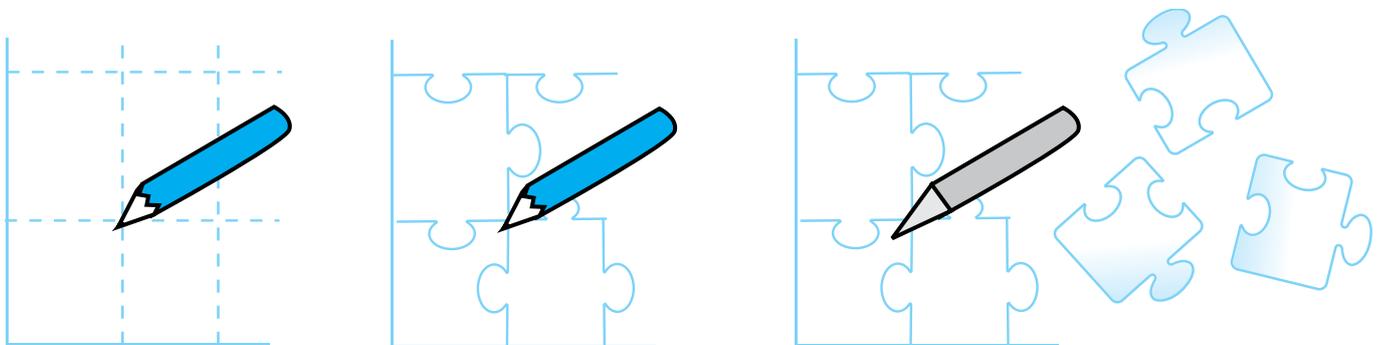
AIM | To show how justice issues are interconnected

Time | 1 Hour (15 minute preparation)

Material | Flattened large cardboard box, white paint/a4 sheet labels, art materials, Stanley knife, a copy of the MDG's (see activity 17)

Jigsaw preparation

To prepare the jigsaw, the cardboard should be made white. Measure the cardboard and draw a grid with the pencil making at least one square for everyone in the group. Draw out the jigsaw notches connecting each square to the next and use the Stanley knife to cut out the pieces.



What to do

Split into three teams. Ask the first team to come up with a few examples of something unfair in their local area. Ask the second team for examples of what's unfair in Ireland and the third for examples of what's unfair in the world. Form a circle and feedback to the wider group. Ask what is similar in the justice issues between the different groups? Elect a volunteer to list the similar issues on a flipchart. Call this sheet "Global Injustice" and stick it up on one side of the room.

List the Millennium Development Goals on a flipchart. These are the aims for making the world a more just and fair place. Call this sheet "MDG's" and stick it up on the wall opposite "Global Injustice".

Split into teams again and list one action per person that they think should take place to move the world from the Global Injustice to MDG's. Give out the jigsaw pieces, ask each participant to paint their action on the white side and sign the other side. The group's challenge is to join all of the pieces together to create the jigsaw. Ask if they can find any connection between their action and the actions they join onto? Are these actions already taking place? What would it take to get these things done? Who should be doing them? What role can young people have?

Action Idea

As a group, create a large jigsaw highlighting the justice issues you want people to be aware of. Invite your family, friends or members of the public to fit a piece of the jigsaw together. Give each person a post it note and ask them to write an action which could be taken to address the issue. You could also send the pieces to your local councillors and ask them to fit the pieces together to show that young people are aware of the justice issues in the world and they want action taken on them.