

# Service Learning Workshop Session 3

## **LESSON TITLE**

### **OBJECTIVES**

- Help to humanize social issues by introducing the concept of the Universal Challenges.
- Explore how our challenges and experiences can be used in helping others.
- Introduce the frame that life is not fair.

### **Universal Challenges**

#### PREPARATION

- Ensure slides and embedded videos work.
- Prep nametags.
- Prep marshmallow game by purchasing marshmallows and gathering random objects such as fork, chopsticks, a balloon, toothpicks. Some should be difficult to use for this game.

#### CURRICULUM

|   | <ul> <li>Recap:</li> <li>"A philanthropist is someone who gives of themselves for the good of humanity.</li> <li>Do you remember which body part you were most drawn to using? Did you see any examples this week?"</li> </ul>  | 5 min  |
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| WARM UP<br>(validate<br>existing<br>knowledge)          | <ul> <li>Life Is Not Fair</li> <li>"Every team gets 60 seconds to stack 4 marshmallows on top of each other, using only the tool(s) given to your team.</li> <li>How was the game? Was it fair?</li> <li>How is life not fair sometimes?" [Not everyone gets the same resources, sometimes you can creatively use resources that don't look helpful. Life is not always fair.]</li> </ul> | 5 min  |
| NEW IDEAS<br>(introduce<br>and apply<br>new<br>content) | Universal Challenges<br>"There are many common challenges. Choose one that you<br>have experienced that you would be comfortable talking<br>about. Reflect on what helped you get through it.<br>• pain/sickness<br>• hunger/thirst<br>• loss<br>• loneliness<br>• being overwhelmed, afraid<br>• being misunderstood or judged   | 10 min |

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|                                    | <ul> <li>If we have experienced a challenge, we can really help someone who has experienced that same challenge.</li> <li>someone who has been bullied, is a great support when someone gets bullied</li> <li>someone who has lost a parent understands what someone experiencing loss is going through</li> <li>someone with a learning challenges knows what might be helpful to someone also struggling.</li> <li>"Do you know any examples of this?"</li> </ul> |       |
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|                                    | <ul> <li>Simone Biles</li> <li>Simone Biles struggled with her mental health and now speaks about this experience in order to help others.</li> </ul>   | 7 min |
| WRAP UP<br>(gauge new<br>learning) | <ul> <li>Potato Game Round 1</li> <li>"Let's wrap up with the potato challenge."</li> <li>Break into teams.</li> <li>In 3 minutes, how many different ways can you use a potato to help someone?</li> <li>Between all the teams, how many ideas did you come up with together?"</li> </ul>  | 7 min |