

Speakers' Corner

GRADES

4-8

TIME

60 minutes

TOPIC

Defining Health

SPACE

Any

MATERIALS

- Video recording device, and means to play back the video for the whole class

OUTLINE

Background: Speakers' Corners were used in major cities to get the public opinion on current events. People would enter the booth, be prompted with a list of items, choose what they would like to talk about and get 60 seconds of recordings to speak and share.

1. Have the students create a video on class in which they share their own opinions about a variety of subjects of their choice (i.e., handling stress, what does health mean to me, positive relationships, what is friendship, what I wish for the future).
2. It must be agreed upon that the video remain private.
3. Students are told about the categories in advance and have the right to pass should they choose.

It is possible to share the film clips on a private website (password protected and monitored), if the students feel comfortable.