

Interview “Outside Your Walls”

(Borrowed from Kelly Watson, Fishers Jr. High, Fishers, IN)

Objectives: To encourage students to interact with others outside of their culture or social group

Audience: Middle school classes

Materials Needed: “Interview Outside Your Walls” handout, writing utensils

Time Required: This is an out-of-class assignment. Students should be given at least two nights to complete the assignment.

Teacher Instructions: Distribute the “Interview Outside Your Walls” handout. Explain to students that they are to interview someone whose culture, race, age, religion, family background, etc. differs from their own. The person that they interview cannot be from the student’s group of friends. Students will record the interviewee’s responses to the interview questions. Students will write about their experience afterward.