



LOOKING AHEAD:

Finding Common Ground

Who is someone with whom you want to find common ground?

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Are you judging this person in any way that might make it difficult to find common ground?

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What are some possible areas where common ground might exist or topics to avoid? Consider the acronym I-CARE.

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- I** *Interests such as books, food, music, sports teams, local restaurants...*
- C** *Convictions such as intellectual, political, religious...*
- A** *Activities such as cooking, running, singing, writing...*
- R** *Roles such as teachers, administrator, parent, committee member, scout leader, choir director....*
- E** *Experiences such as schools or universities attended, people known, locations visited or hoped to be visited....*

What questions can you ask to find common ground?

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