

Week 9: We are learning to discuss whether social issues and different cultural groups are accurately represented in a fiction or nonfiction text.

Cultural group in your text	Social issue from your text	Is this accurately represented in your text?
<p>You only need to complete one of these two columns. Challenge: Complete both columns - find a social issue that links with a cultural group - explain</p>		<p>Why has the author chosen to represent the cultural group / social issues this way?</p>
	<p>Discrimination – Mabinty was treated differently from an early age because of her skin condition, vitiligo.</p>	<p>Yes, Michalea De Prince (Mabinty) accurately represented how people in Sierra Leone are treated very differently when they look different to everyone else. ‘Look at you. How ugly you are. You have the spots of a leopard. I am wasting food and money on you.’ (Pg 23) Michaela wrote this story about her life. She is recalling actual events that she personally experienced. Michaela’s Uncle Abdullah treated her badly because she looked different. He fed her less and wouldn’t let her go to school. He was concerned that he would not get a fair ‘bride price’ because of her skin condition. She remembers being treated differently to other children because she was seen as ‘ugly’ or ‘damaged’ because of her skin condition. Vitiligo causes the skin to have large white patches all over the body. Michaela chose to share this part of her life because she wants people to understand what it was like for her growing up with vitiligo.</p>

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