GROUP, NAME AND SURNAME:

**A CLASS DIVIDED**

**WARM UP**

In what way is racism and discrimination a problem in society?

How does racism and discrimination manifest itself?

There are an increasing number of interracial people nowadays. How do you think they identify themselves?

Why do certain races or people believe that they are better than others?

Can racism only work one way – white people discriminating against black people?

**VOCABULARY. Match the word with the appropriate definition:**

Recess – horrible or unkind, with the intention of causing harm.

Gut –to joke about someone in an unkind way.

Nigger – a disrespectful way of referring to a black person

Teasing – the stomach

Nasty, vicious – the break time for lunch in between lessons.

**LISTENING QUESTIONS**

Watch the two clips of the video (3.55-4.40, 7.20-9.58) and decide whether the following statements are true or false:

Brown-eyed people are better than blue-eyed people.

The blue-eyed people started calling the brown-eyed people names, such as “brown eyes”, and this upset them.

Reacting with violence stopped Russel from calling names and made John feel better.

The brown-eyed children were calling the blue-eyed children names to be funny, and not to be mean.

Fill in the gaps:

I watched what had been marvellous, cooperative, wonderful, thoughtful children turn into \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ little third graders in the space of 15 minutes.

**CONCLUSIONS**

Are people born racist and discriminative? Or is this something that the learn and acquire as a result of their upbringing?

Why is racism and discrimination still a problem today?

Do you think there is more to racism than simply the colour of a person’s skin? For example, are there political/economic roots?

Is politics driven by racism? Or is racism driven by politics?