

Liberation Approach

The “Walk of Privilege” Questions

1. Please take one step forward: If you are right-handed.
2. Please take one step back: If you are a female.
3. Please take one step back: If your ancestors were forced to come to the USA not by choice.
4. Please take one step forward: If your primary ethnic identity is American.
5. Please take one step back: If you were ever called names because of your race, class, ethnicity, gender, or sexual orientation.
6. Please take one step back: If you were ever ashamed or embarrassed of your clothes, house, car, etc.
7. Please take one step forward: If one or both of your parents has a college degree.
8. Please take one step back: If you were raised in an area where there was prostitution, drug activity, or a high amount of crime.
9. Please take one step back: If you ever tried to change your appearance, mannerisms, or behavior to avoid being judged or ridiculed.
10. Please take one step forward: If there were more than 50 books in your house when you grew up.
11. Please take one step back: If you ever had to skip a meal or were hungry when you were growing up because there was not enough money to buy food.
12. Please take one step back: If one of your parents was unemployed or laid off, not by choice.
13. Please take one step forward: If you attended private school or summer camp.
14. Please take one step back: If you were ever discouraged from academics or jobs because of race, class, ethnicity, gender, or sexual orientation.
15. Please take one step forward: If you were encouraged to attend college by your parents.
16. Please take one step back: If you were raised in a single parent household.
17. Please take one step forward: If your family owned the house where you grew up.
18. Please take one step forward: If you were ever offered a good job because of your association with a friend or family member.
19. Please take one step back: If you were ever treated unfairly because of race, ethnicity, gender, or sexual orientation.
20. Please take one step back: If you were ever accused of cheating or lying because of your race, ethnicity, gender, or sexual orientation.
21. Please take one step forward: If you ever inherited money or property.
22. Please take one step back: If you were ever stopped or questioned by the police because of your race, ethnicity, gender, or sexual orientation.
23. Please take one step back: If you were ever afraid of violence because of your race, ethnicity, gender, or sexual orientation.
24. Please take one step back: If you were ever uncomfortable about a joke related to your race, ethnicity, gender, or sexual orientation but felt unsafe to confront the situation.