

The Avanti PRE Curriculum

Resource Sheet 7.2.4a (1)

Teacher Information: “How are Humans Different?”

The following are key differences between people, based on their body or other more subtle attributes (i.e. related to mind and intelligence). Hindu-Vaishnava teaching refer to these as ‘*upadi*’, meaning ‘designations’ (or, more colloquially, ‘labels’.) They are closely linked to issues of identity, prejudice, stereotype, judgementalism and discrimination. Please note that: (a) this list may be extended (b) we’d expect students to know some (rather than all!)

Sex (gender)

Sexuality

Race

Skin colour

Age

Ability

Nationality (or national region)

Religion (or sub-religion/denomination)

Ability

Intelligence

Physical Height

Weight

Figure/Shape

Hair colour

Social class

Economic class

Career or job

Language (including dialect and/or accent)

Political (affiliation or ideology)

Dress style

Eating habits

Aesthetic tastes

Place of residence

Moral disposition

Approach towards authority