



Flip the Script

Learning Guide

These discussion questions will help your group identify and examine key themes and messages in *Flip The Script*. After viewing the film, work through the initial discussion questions. Then, watch a second time, pausing after each scene to discuss the detailed discussion questions.



Initial Discussion

1. What stands out to you in the video? What was the first thing this video brought to mind?
2. Was there anything that surprised you? Was there anything that confused you?
3. Which scene stood out to you as the most disempowering towards Ash? Why?
4. How would you summarize the overarching problem present in these scenes?
5. This video highlights ableism and ableist behaviors. How would you define ableism?
6. Have you ever seen similar scenarios in your community?



Detailed Discussion

1. What is the problematic behavior happening in each scene? How is this behavior harmful towards disabled people?
2. In the opening scene, Marin receives a lot of praise for asking Ash to the prom. How could over-celebrating people who are interested in disabled partners be harmful?
 - a. How might this kind of attitude contribute to other harmful sexual health perceptions of people with disabilities?
3. How is Ash treated as a romantic partner by Marin?
4. How is Ash treated as a romantic partner by others?
5. How would you rewrite each scene to show more respectful behavior to Ash?

Breakout Activities

Option 1: Find Examples - By searching online and thinking about social media and TV you've seen related to relationships or sexuality, find two examples of posts or actions that are ableist or discriminatory to people with disabilities. Explain what is problematic in each one and what would be a better choice.

Option 2: Action Project - Write a plan for one small way you can promote equality and access for disabled people in your everyday life. After confirming it with your teacher, find an opportunity to put this plan into action over the next week, and write about how it went.



Viewing Notes
