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September 11: A Day of Remembrance

1. In the immediate aftermath of the September 11 attacks, a “**world community**” emerged; people from all walks of life and all parts of the world joined together to help.

* Do you think that the spirit of “world community” **still exists**? If so, what are some examples?
* If not, **do we need a crisis to bring us together**? Are there other ways to build and sustain that sense of fellowship?

2. Since 9/11, new forms of **communication and technology have expanded social networks** and increased our access to information and other people.

* How can these new communication/technologies **HELP** create a world community?
* How can these new communication/technologies **TEAR DOWN** a world community?

3. Often, acts of terrorism have the effect of reinforcing awareness of differences within a community and heightening a sense of **“us” versus “them.”**

* What group was a major target of stereotyping in a negative way after 9/11?
* How can we resist the impulse to view other people stereotypically as “others”?

4. The individuals in the film found that **volunteering their time** and **resources** **helped them, in turn, to heal and recover after 9/**11. Now, government leaders and 9/11-related organizations have designated September 11 as a Day of Service and Remembrance to honor those who were killed and encourage all Americans to do something for their community.

* Do you think it makes sense to connect the story and anniversary of 9/11 with community service? Why or why not?

5. Interview one member of your family that was alive (and older than 13) on September 11, 2001. Ask where they were and what they remember about that day.

Yesterday was September 11. You can’t go back in time to do a service project, but here is what you can do--

Brainstorm a list of ideas of good deeds that you can ACTUALLY ACCOMPLISH this week and write some action steps down to help make your idea a reality (*ex: you can’t build a house for someone in one week, but you can donate clothes and shoes to Goodwill or help your elderly neighbor rake their yard… think about it*)

**MY IDEAS:**