Stand on the Line Activity.

Teacher places a line on the ground (police tape works awesome). Students are then read a series of statements. They step on the line if they agree. Make sure to tell students that this is not a time for judgment. It is to show the varying viewpoints we have. People need to feel safe to show their opinions. At other points, there will be opportunities for spirited debate.

**Step on the line if you agree with these statements**

I am patriotic

A strong military Is a good thing

Poor people are poor because of the choices they’ve made

Hard work is the key to success

I’d always support my country whether it was wrong or not

The enemy of my enemy is my friend

Military action that defies international law is sometimes justified

The rich aren’t taxed enough

The freer the market, the freer the people

All authority should be questioned

Abortion when the woman’s life is not threatened should always be illegal

The most important thing for children to learn to accept is discipline

The death penalty should be an option for the most serious crimes

In criminal justice, punishment should be more important than rehabilitation

Mothers may have careers but their first duty is to be a homemaker

An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth is a good motto to live by

Astrology accurately explains things

Wealth inequality is the greatest threat to Canadian democracy

Civil liberties are being excessively curbed in the name of “counter-terrorism”

There are no savage and uncivilized peoples; they are only different cultures

You cannot be moral without being religious

There should be less gun control, the only thing that stops a bad guy with a gun, is a good guy with a gun.

Additional Questions to spur robust discussion

Giving someone the silent treatment is acceptable

It is ok to try drugs

I feel that most of my peers understand what consent means

Cyber bullying is not real bullying

It is ok to take something from a peer without them knowing as long as I intend to give it back

The covid passports were justified

A woman should have legal access to abortion

Trump was an effective leader