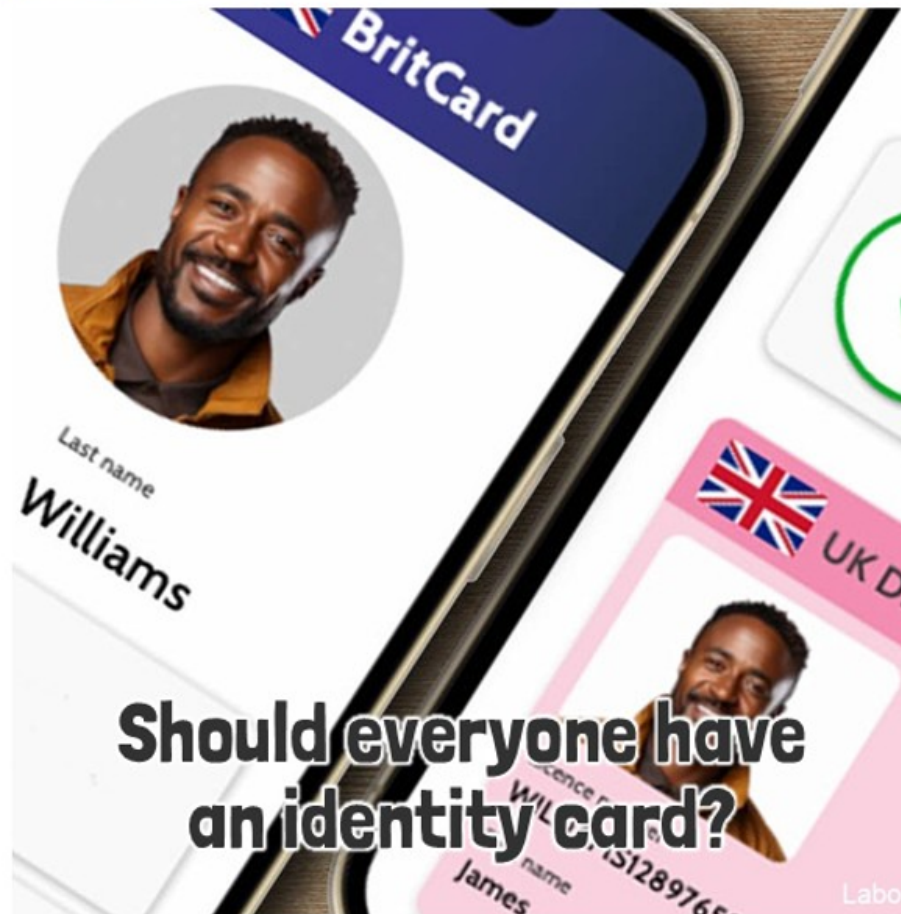


Thoughtful Thursdays

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Invitational and inspirational at home discussion prompt followings today's class worship. (If you would like to use it)



In the news this week

The UK government is planning to bring in digital identity cards, which people could keep on their phones or have as a physical card. The idea is that these new IDs would make it easier to prove who you are for things like work, travel, or applying for services. Supporters say they could improve safety and convenience, while others worry about privacy, fairness, and people without access to smartphones.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Can you make a list of some of the pros and cons of identity cards? Discuss these with someone at home.
- > Do you think a digital card is better than having an actual card? Why?
- > What do you think makes up your identity? Ask and share your response with someone at home.

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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Below is some of the information that was shared today during class worship - this may help your discussions at home.

ASSEMBLY RESOURCE

Read through the information below, all about the possible new digital ID cards.

Digital ID Cards

What is happening?
 The UK government is considering introducing a new digital ID to help people prove they are allowed to work in the UK. It will be free and stored on phones (with paper options for those without one). Everyone who is a UK citizen or a resident living in the UK will be able to get a digital ID.

What will it do?
 The aim is that the ID will be used when people apply for a job, to prove they are allowed to work in the UK. It may also make it easier to apply for services (like renting a home), lead to faster identity checks (like opening a bank account or proving your age), and could also be used when voting in elections.

What could it include?

- Your name
- Your date of birth
- Your nationality or residency status
- A photo (like on a passport)

Is everyone in favour?
 Some people are against the idea of making an ID card (digital or a real card) compulsory for all. This is because they worry about others having too much information about people in one place, and about the safety of having all people's personal details online.

Do you think they are a good idea overall?

Resource one

Look at the resource below, which shows some examples of ID we already use.

Which of these types of ID have you seen before? What do you notice about these different types of ID?



Rule of Law

New laws can sometimes mean changes for everyone. If digital ID cards become law, people will need to follow the new rules. It's important that laws are fair and help everyone feel safe and supported.



UN Rights of the Child

Children have the right to privacy and to feel safe when information is shared about them. Adults should make sure personal details are used responsibly and kept safe.

