

Wealth Inequality and the Growing Gap

Conversation Questions

1. Tell me about yourself. Did you attend school (university)? Why or why not?
2. What did you study at university?
3. What is your occupational background?
4. What jobs have you held in your life?
5. Did you hold any jobs before immigrating to North America? How did you find working in that country?
6. Did you hold any jobs after arriving to North America? What sort of jobs did you hold?
7. Do you think North American countries allow an immigrant to grow and build wealth?

8. Do you think the world is becoming very unequal in terms of wealth distribution?
9. Do you think there is a growing gap between socioeconomic classes in the world?
10. What was the wealth distribution like in your former country of residence? Was wealth concentrated within a specific socioeconomic class?
11. What are your thoughts around privilege? Do you think being born into wealth results in better chances of success and health?
12. What do you think is the contribution of the economic system of a nation to its wealth distribution?
13. Do you think capitalist countries have better or worse distributions?
14. Do you think society should do anything to remove systemic barriers and inequities? Do you think society can do anything to fix that?
15. Do you think government policies can remove systemic barriers and inequities?
16. What role do you see charities playing in supporting the most vulnerable in our societies?
17. Are there regions in this world where one class mobility is more facilitated than in others?
18. Reports every year show that Canadian cities rank amongst the highest in terms of liveability, a major factor of which is economic development, do you agree with this statement? What in your opinion are the best places for one to live?