

## Guided Tips for Meaningful Banned Books Peer-to- Peer Discussions

We've gathered tips to guide meaningful peer-to-peer discussions around banned books. Use these suggestions to encourage thoughtful conversation and embrace diverse perspectives.

- Consider forming a book club or joining a book club for a banned book.
- Review the discussion questions before meeting with people and consider your responses to the book.
- Set up some group agreements to help structure the discussion about the book.
- During book discussions, explore wherever the conversation leads.
- Remember to be mindful and be open to learning a new perspective from another person. Respect each other's differences.
  - Remember that it's okay to have discomfort and not know something.
    This is an opportunity to learn from someone else.
  - If a disagreement veers from the discussion about the book, suggest revisiting it after the group's book discussion and check in with the people in disagreement.
- Get more tips from discussion guides provided by the author, publisher, or other resources for the book. There are also some activities to explore the author's perspective, the setting of the book and more.