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| 1. Discrimination happens when people act on their prejudices or stereotypes.   | 1. When we fix people into one image we create a stereotype.  |
| 2. Example: If people do something to put other people down, if they stop them from taking part in certain activities and taking up jobs, or stop them from living in certain neighbourhoods, they are discriminating against them. | 2. Example: When people say that those who belong to a particular country, religion, sex, race or economic background are "stingy," "lazy," "criminal" or "dumb," they are using stereotypes. |
| 3. Discrimination can take place because of several reasons such as different religions, different language and different economic backgrounds.   | 3. Stereotypes stop us from looking at each person as a unique individual with his or her own special qualities and skills that are different from others.                                    |

Q2. What does the Constitution say with regard to equality? Why do you think it is important for all people to be equal?

Ans. With regard to equality, Constitution said that

- i. Untouchability is seen as a crime and has been legally abolished by law.
- ii. People are free to choose the kind of work they wish to do.
- iii. Government jobs are open to all people.

In addition, the Constitution also placed responsibility on the government to take specific steps to realise this right to equality for poor and other such marginal communities.

It is important for all people to be equal so that they can follow their religion, speak their language, celebrate their festivals and express themselves freely.