

When people have different views or ideas, it can be difficult to work together. Sometimes these differences cause confusion, anger, and fear. By working together, we can become a stronger state and nation.

There are many ways that we can work together even if we have different beliefs.

There are five important things that people can do to make sure we are all able to share our views and ideas.

Listening - If you listen to what others have to say without interrupting, you

can learn what the other person is trying to tell you. If you interrupt, you could not hear the full idea and create confusion. Sometimes people don't let others finish their thoughts and important information can be left out.

Patience - Sometimes when people are impatient during conversation, people can become afraid to finish talking about their ideas.

This can cause a great idea to not be shared.

Understanding - Not everyone has the same views and ideas. This is what makes our state and nation stronger. We need to be more understanding even if we don't agree. No two people are the same. We can all help each other even though we are different.

Kindness - When we hear an idea or view, we need to be kind even if we don't agree. Sometimes I hear people saying bad things about others' ideas. It makes me

feel like our communities or schools will get in a fight and then tear apart. If we can just be kind when we talk about these issues, we can stop people from being afraid. Kindness is so important in making sure our state stays strong.

Being Brave-If you have an idea or want to let people know your view about something, you need to let people know. Your idea may not be used, but it may help

someone think of a better idea.

By listening, having patience,
understanding, being kind, and
being brave, we can work together
as a team to build our communities,
state, nation and the world. It
will not always be easy, but if we
work together, we can start trying.