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Dear Editor,

Hello, my name is Gavin McCormack and I am a Grade 8 student at our local school. I am writing to you because I believe that there is a pressing issue in our community that needs more attention: the inequality faced by many of its members. This is why I am reaching out, hoping to share my thoughts on TV and inspire action towards achieving Sustainable Development Goal 10 – Reduced Inequalities.

Recently, I had the opportunity to interview a fellow student, who wishes to remain anonymous, about her experiences with inequality. Here is what she shared:

Gavin: Can you tell me about a time you felt like you had been treated unfairly.' **Student:** Yes, sometimes at school, I feel left out because of where I come from. People assume things about me without getting to know me first, which makes it harder to feel like I belong.

Gavin: How does that make you feel?

Student: It's really tough. I try to ignore it, but it hurts to be judged like that. It makes me feel like I'm less than others, just because my family isn't as well-off.

Gavin: What changes do you think could help?

Student: I think more awareness and discussions about inequality in school would help. If we had classes that taught everyone about different lifestyles and challenges people face, maybe there'd be more understanding and less judgment.

Through her words, you can see the impact that inequality has on young people in our community. It's not just about economic differences, but also how these perceptions affect our interactions and feelings of acceptance.

I believe that discussing these issues on a platform like television could really highlight the need for change and encourage more people to think about and act against inequality. We can start by educating our peers, fostering a community that embraces diversity and supports all its members equally.

I hope this letter moves you to consider giving these issues a broader audience. I am ready and

eager to help make this discussion happen and to contribute to making our community a more inclusive place for everyone.

Thank you for considering my request. I look forward to the possibility of discussing this further with you.

Yours sincerely, Gavin McCormack

Ten Tips to Write a Letter That Includes an Interview

- Start with Who You Are: Begin your letter by telling the reader a bit about yourself. This makes your letter feel more personal and real.
- Be Clear About Why You're Writing: Right away, tell the reader what your letter is about. This helps them understand why what you're saying is important.
- Share a Real Story: Use a story or some words from someone who has really experienced the issue you're writing about. This makes your point stronger and more believable.
- Use Quotation Marks Right: When you include what someone said, use quotation marks. This helps to show clearly who is speaking.
 For example:

Gavin: "Can you tell me about a time you felt unfairly treated?" Student: "Yes, at school sometimes I feel left out because of where I come from..."

- Show How It Feels: Use words that show how the issue makes people feel. Saying things like "it hurts to be judged" helps others feel empathy and understand the problem better.
- Explain Why It Matters: Connect the story you shared to bigger issues that affect more people. This shows that the problem is big and needs attention.
- Suggest How to Fix It: Don't just talk about the problem; suggest ways to make things better. This could be asking for more understanding, changing rules, or anything else that might help.
- Make It Urgent: Use words that make the reader feel that this issue needs to be fixed soon, like "pressing issue" or "needs more attention."
 Say You Want to Help: Tell the reader that you're not just complaining but are also ready to help solve the problem. This shows you're really committed.
- End with Hope for a Response: Finish your letter by saying you hope to talk more about this and work together to find a solution. This leaves the door open for more discussion and team work.

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