

**Handout**

# Sample Facing History Classroom Expectations

- Listen with respect. Try to understand what someone is saying before rushing to judgment.
- Make comments using “I” statements.
- This class needs to be a place where we can take risks in the questions we ask, perspectives we share, and connections we make. If you do not feel safe making a comment or asking a question, write the thought in your journal. You can share the idea with your teacher first and together come up with a safe way to share the idea with the class.
- If someone says something that hurts or offends you, do not attack the person. Acknowledge that the comment—not the person—hurt your feelings and explain why.
- Share the talking time—provide room for others to speak.
- We all have a role in creating a space where people can share ideas, their questions, and their confusion honestly.