21 Ways to Stop a Conversation about Diversity

(Circle the ones you’ve said and put an X by the ones you can’t understand why they would stop a conversation on diversity.)

1. I don’t see color. We’re all just human beings.
2. We have more similarities than differences.
3. I think deep down we’re all the same.
4. Racism/sexism happens all over the world.
5. I think some people use diversity as an excuse.
6. I think identifying into groups only further divides us.
7. There are lots of other diversity issues besides race and gender.
8. I’ve never seen that happen before. Are you sure it happened?
9. Why does everything have to be so politically correct?
10. I was just joking.
11. Things are a lot better than they used to be. Don’t you agree?
12. We’d hire more women and people of color, but are they qualified?
13. I love everyone.
14. Do you really think it’s that bad?
15. I’m so glad you’re not like one of them.
16. You know, you’re a credit to your people.
17. You don’t see other races complaining.
18. I think it’s reverse racism/sexism.
19. America is the best place to live.
20. Some of my best friends are colored.
21. You speak such good English, where did you learn it from?