



Scenes of teenagers driving, construction workers, people working at the computer, and buses downtown.

Tell It

- Girl: I go to the mall. I like to talk to friends.
Boy: I think I like watching TV and sleeping.
Boy2: I play games on my computer and use the Internet.
Boy 1: No, I don't use the Internet, No.
Girl2: I like to go to the mall, talk on the phone, you know, hang out with friends.
Boy3: I like to play video games, watching movies, watch wrestling too.
Girl4: Reading, writing poetry.
Girl 5: I like sports a lot.
Girl6: Play basketball and swim.
Boy4: My favorite activity is swimming to make the team. It is pretty competitive so you have to be in shape.

Differences

- Boy1: I think I kind of noticed when the first time something was different with me was when I was in second grade. I felt different and I walked differently and used crutches.
Girl 1: I have Cerebral Palsy on the right side of my arm.
Girl2: I have a cleft lip, it is weird because it is kind of split (pause) and I have to get that fixed.
Boy2: I was burned about six years ago in a tent-trailer fire.
Girl 3: I was born with Spina Bifida.
Boy2: Spina Bifida, I am not sure how to explain it, I am still trying to figure it out myself.
Boy3: Well, I have a rare disorder called Spastic Paraplegia.
Girl4: I never knew how it was like before I was burnt, with it is hard because a lot of people make fun of you.
Boy4: I was in a car wreck about five years ago, a head on collision and I broke my back, I have been in a wheel chair ever since.

Scenes of wheel-chair dancing, school dance scenes, kids dancing in costume and in regular school clothing.



More Alike Than Different

- Boy1: I don't think of my life different than anybody else's. I mean, I race motor cross, I go snow boarding with my buddies, I go to parties and dances and have just as much fun as anyone else out there, it is not a big deal (laugh).
- Boy2: I can do the same thing they can do, maybe better.
- Boy3: I go to school like other kids, I learn like other kids, it is the same in almost every way except I have to do it in a chair not on my legs.
- Boy4: Inside I am like everyone else and I, um, I just wanted to be a kid and have fun, want to be a part of everything.

Scenes of a girl in a wheel chair, driving with a brace, walking with a brace, going down stairs in a wheel chair at a playground, walking at the mall with a brace, going down town in a wheel chair, wheeling around a playground.

- Girl: Yeah, I am the same as other kids.
- Girl2: I am the same in everything, I think, I just cannot walk, that's all.
- Boy1: I am a Libra; I like long walks on beaches and having grapes fed to me. Call me.

Beyond the difference

- Boy: Really, the only difference was at school, I mean, people, they did not know who I was at first, so I just go up them and introduce myself and we hit it off, really.
- Girl: I hope for them to be my friends for who I am, not what I look like.
- Girl2: Just treat them normal, don't pamper them, they don't like that.
- Girl3: Actually, I like it when people ask, because then they, ah, just don't go without knowing.
- Boy2: Take away the chair and I am just like them.
- Boy3: I can do as much as other people, sometimes I have difficulty, but I try my best.
- Boy 4: People that do have disabilities use, equipment, adaptive equipment, um, they are the same, they want to have fun, and, uh, do whatever every other able-bodied person does.

Havin' fun

- Girl: Other things I like to do and I am very good at doing are, umm, let me think, kayaking and skiing. I want them to think of me as nice, smart, intelligent, kind, brave and I am not going to back down on anything.

Girl doing karate

- Boy: I did not expect myself to make the Para-Olympic level, the highest level of swimming for disability sports you can go, um, I did not expect to do that, but,



um, the doctors said to do it just for recreational purposes, just get out there and to exercise, you know, to feel good about yourself (*boy swimming and doing laps*).

*Boy swimming, walking in crutches around the pool, skiing with crutches
Girl going down hill in special skies*

Girl2: I like mountain skiing, it's one ski up on a piston, (*girl skiing*). It is like a seat, you use out riggers to control it

Boy: For fun, I like to just, take my sport wheel chair to the mall and mess around, not to race but, I am getting into wheelchair basketball, it is pretty cool.

Plans and Dreams

Boy: I am going to go to Portland State University, I am going to major in Urban Planning.

Girl: I like animals a lot so I want to own a pet shop.

Boy2: I am going to major in radio broadcasting.

Girl2: My hope is to be an anesthesiologist and I hope to work at Shriner's Hospital.

Boy3: I definitely want to get married and have kids that is one of my biggest plans.

Boy4: I would like to drive, that would be a cool thing.

Girl3: When I grow up I want to be a Chiropractor.

Girl4: When I grow up I want to be a Scientist.

Children playing volleyball, tight rope walking, going across a stream, wheelchair down town and in the mall, driving, playing in the swimming pool with wheelchairs