



General questions

1. What problems can you identify in this story? Are solutions presented?
2. In what way might this story be relevant in your community?

Further exploration

1. Sociologist Kerestecioglu says violence against women in Turkey has increased as women increasingly assert their rights and freedoms. Can you think of any other factors that could be contributing to the rise in violence against women?
2. One problem listed is the indifference of police and lawmakers toward violence against women. Why do you think they don't enforce the law strictly enough?
3. What strategies could activists use to change gender norms and expectations in Turkey?
4. Since this story was produced, Turkey has seen a growing conservatism under the leadership of President Erdogan. Based on new or proposed laws--or those enacted in other countries-- what impact could this have on gender issues?