

Character Under Construction

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Character Blueprint

(Sample Parent Letter)

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

During this year our class will be discussing "Good Character Traits". We will be recognizing children who are kind, truthful, show respect toward others, are responsible, use good manners, and much more!

Our theme is "CHARACTER UNDER CONSTRUCTION" and this first section is the beginning blueprint! Just as you and I have grown and matured over the last several decades, our children need to be shown that as they grow they will make mistakes. But if they keep "BUILDING" on good character it will help them become more successful in life and have many more friends!

Your help will be so valuable to these life lessons! Please encourage your child to practice these good character traits at home. PRAISE good character changes that your child makes as he/she matures!

More information will be sent to you as we study and learn about each individual character trait. Please send me a note with any success you notice at home from this character program so I can reinforce and praise your child's progress, too!

Thanks for your participation and support!

My best,



Activity 1: CHARACTER CART

BRIEF OVERVIEW

This lesson is a simple overview and awareness exercise of positive character traits such as making good choices, being responsible and kind, showing respect, having courage, etc. It is to be the foundational introduction to the more detailed character lessons contained in this book.

MATERIALS NEEDED



- "CART" worksheet
- Card stock paper (various colors)
- Safety scissors
- Quick dry glue (or scotch tape)

TIME NEEDED

30 minutes



OBJECTIVE

Students are introduced and will recognize good character virtues.

PROCEDURES

Copy on different colored paper the "CART" worksheet so that each student will have a copy. An example of a completed "CART" will be exhibited for the children to see. The teacher will say the following to the children as she holds up the "CART" (point to each character virtue as it is discussed).

Today we are going to learn about some good character traits that will help us feel better about ourselves. Good character includes things like being honest (or telling the truth). When we tell the truth we can feel good inside ourselves and others listen to us more! Good character includes having good manners and showing respect for other people. We show others good character when we are kind and share with everyone, and we realize everyone is equally important. It is up to each of us to decide or make good choices to show others our good character. When we make these good choices others trust us more and believe we are responsible for the way we choose to act! A good attitude is very important and having courage to do the right thing when others

Activity 22: Raking Up Respect

(cut out and attach these rake prongs to the rake head on page 95)

KIND

MEAN

NICE

HARD WORKING

HONEST

LIAR

LAZY

RESPONSIBLE

TAKE TURNS

PUSH

YELL

FOLLOW RULES