

# CHARACTER EDUCATION

# ACCEPTANCE



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# ACCEPTANCE

## PARENT LETTER

Hello Parents,

We are learning all about Acceptance. We defined acceptance as: Recognizing, appreciating, and respecting those who are different from you.

Here are some ways you can teach Acceptance to your child at home:



Teach your child about new places, people, and cultures through books, music, food, and cultural events. Intervene when you hear or see intolerant behavior and encourage healthier ways they can interact with others.



Model tolerance and respect. Your child will learn to reach out and be sensitive and respectful of others by watching how you discuss, relate to, and value other people. Promoting respect will go a long way in creating a culture in your home that welcomes conversations about differences, seeks to understand the perspective of others, and celebrates differences.



Practice seeing from others' perspectives. Talk to your child about setting aside their thoughts, feelings, motivations, and momentarily think of how someone else must feel. This can be done while watching TV, ask them "Why do you think each character acted that way, how do you think they must feel?"

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## WRITING PROMPTS

1. What does it mean to be tolerant? What does it mean to be accepting? What makes you a tolerant vs. accepting person?
2. Think of a time when you had a chance to show that you were accepting. What happened because of your acceptance? How did it make you feel?
3. Describe something you did that was not accepting. How did it make you feel? What did you learn from that?
4. Are all laws fair to all people? Explain.
5. Is being a different a bad thing? Explain.
6. Does fair treatment mean equal treatment? Explain.
7. Why is it important to show acceptance to other cultures, religions, races, and physical/mental abilities?

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## RECOMMENDED READ ALOUDS

- \*Just ask! By Sonia Sotomayor
- \*Acceptance is my superpower by Alicia Ortego
- \*Meeting Mimi: a story about different abilities by Francie Dolan
- \*Same, same but different by Jenny Sue Kostecki-Shaw
- \*The World needs more purple people by Kristen Bell and Benjamin Hart
- \*All are welcome by Alexandra Penfold and Suzanne Kaufman
- \*Strictly no elephants by Lisa Mantchev and Taeun Yoo
- \*The Big Umbrella by Amy June Bates and Juniper Bates
- \*We all belong by Nathalie Goss
- \*Jake the Growling Dog by Samantha Shannon
- \*A friend for Henry by Jenn Bailey and Mika Song
- \*Unicorn Day by Diana Murray
- \*Pink is for boys by Robb Pearlman
- \*This is how we do it by Matt Lamothe
- \*Peace Train by Cat Stevens

# ACCEPTANCE

## MORNING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Week 1:** We are learning all about Acceptance. We defined acceptance as recognizing, appreciating, and respecting those who are different from you. Some ways you can show acceptance at school are treating others fairly, learning about different cultures, including everyone, and having patience with those that have different abilities.

**\*Week 2:** We are continuing to learn all about Acceptance. Remember being accepting means recognizing, appreciating, and respecting those who are different from you. Some ways that you can show acceptance at home are appreciating what makes you and others unique, reading books and watching shows about cultures that are different than yours, and not judging someone before you get to know them.

**\*Week 3:** We are continuing to learn all about Acceptance. Remember acceptance means recognizing, appreciating, and respecting those who are different from you. Some ways that you can show acceptance in your community is by being open-minded, getting to know neighbors who are different from you, being free from bias or prejudice, and being respectful online of different opinions.

**\*Week 4:** As we continue to learn about Acceptance, let's reflect on this quote by Audre Lorde, "It is not our differences that divide us. It is our inability to recognize, accept, and celebrate those differences." This means that accepting others can bring us together by appreciating our differences. What is one way you will be accepting today?

**\*Week 5:** Acceptance is an essential trait to have for many careers. Counselors for example show a lot of acceptance. They are trained to give guidance on personal, social, or psychological problems. There are a number of characteristics that counselors must have to be effective, including empathy, communication, listening skills, and being accepting of others' differences. Counselors work with a diverse group of clients and many of them may have different religions, cultures, or views different than their own. They must accept those differences, to create a successful working relationship to make progress with their client. Think of a career you may be interested in and how you can show acceptance within that career.

**\*Week 6:** Acceptance is also shown by many leaders throughout history and is an important feature of being a leader. One such leader was Mahatma Gandhi, an Indian Lawyer, who used nonviolent protests to achieve India's independence from Britain and inspired movements for civil rights and freedom across the world. Gandhi led campaigns for easing poverty, expanding women's rights, and building religious and ethnic peace. He showed us the importance of being a leader who showed acceptance, he said "*I do not want my house to be walled in on all sides and my windows to be stifled. I want all the cultures of all lands to be blown about my house as freely as possible.*" Think about how you can be a leader in your classroom by showing acceptance.





I CAN SHOW  
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BY

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AND respecting  
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different  
FROM ME.



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## PRE-SURVEY

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I am learning to show acceptance.



Always



Sometimes



Hardly



Never

I can define what acceptance means.				
I can identify ways to show acceptance.				
I can recognize accepting behavior.				
I show acceptance in the classroom.				
I show acceptance at home.				
Showing acceptance is important to me.				
I think about showing acceptance before I do something.				



# ACCEPTANCE

## POST-SURVEY

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I am learning to show acceptance.



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I show acceptance in the classroom.				
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Showing acceptance is important to me.				
I think about showing acceptance before I do something.				

# ACCEPTANCE GOOD CHARACTER AWARD

Presented to:

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Teacher



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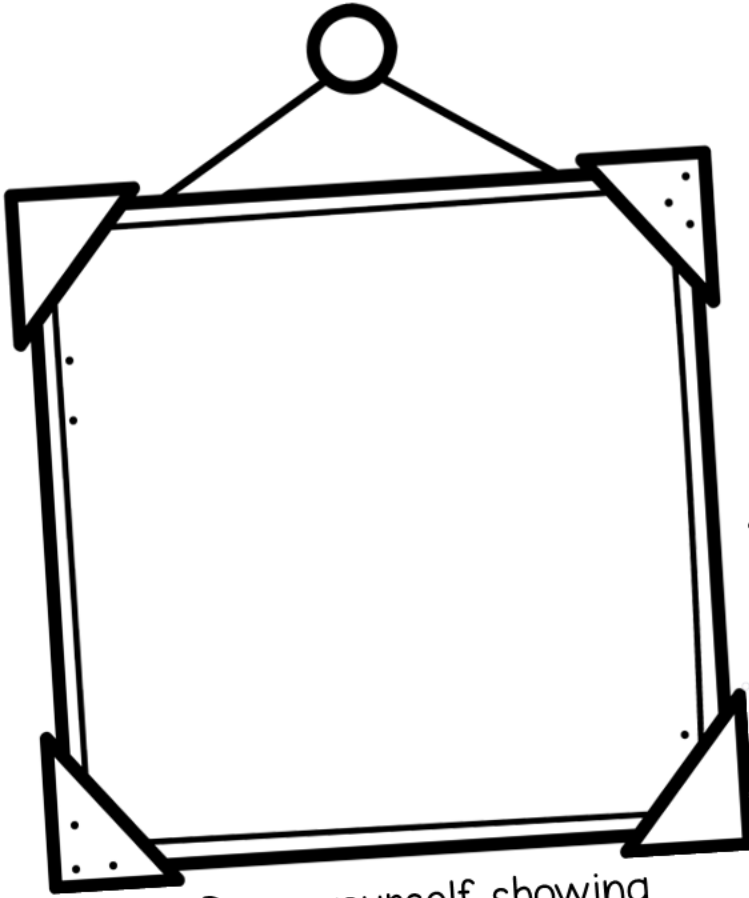


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## WAYS TO SHOW ACCEPTANCE

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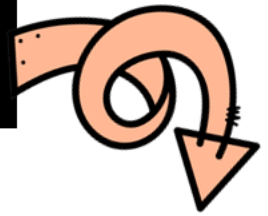


Draw yourself showing acceptance.

I can be accepting by...



What does Acceptance mean to me?



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# ACCEPTANCE

## WAYS TO SHOW ACCEPTANCE

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Ways I can show acceptance at School

Treat others fairly at school.



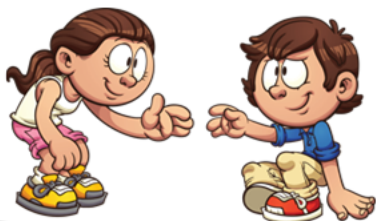
Be respectful at school.



Stand up against Bullying.



Show forgiveness.



Use kind words.



Learn about different cultures.



Have patience with those that have different abilities.



Get to know classmates who are different from you.



Include everyone.



# ACCEPTANCE

## WAYS TO SHOW ACCEPTANCE

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



### Ways I can show acceptance at Home



Appreciate what makes you unique.



Appreciate what makes others unique.



Listen to family members opinions with an open-mind.



Agree to disagree when arguing with siblings.

Read books and watch shows about cultures that are different than yours.



Be respectful at home.



Don't judge someone before you get to know them.



Apologize to siblings.



Do not act like you are better than others.



# ACCEPTANCE

## WAYS TO SHOW ACCEPTANCE

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



### Ways I can show acceptance in my Community



Be open-minded.



Be free from bias or prejudice.



Treat neighbors and other members of your community fairly.



Forgive others.



Get to know neighbors who are different than you.



Include all neighbors in neighborhood activities.



Be respectful online of different opinions.

Participate or attend a cultural fair.



Send good wishes on holidays that your neighbors celebrate, even if you don't celebrate them.

Treat others  
fairly at school.

Read books and watch shows  
about cultures that are different  
than yours.

Get to know neighbors who  
are different than you.

Listen to family members  
opinions with an open-mind.

Participate or attend a  
cultural fair.

Agree to disagree  
when arguing with  
siblings.

Have patience with those  
that have different abilities.

Be respectful online of  
different opinions.

Be respectful at  
home.

Include everyone.

Stand up against  
Bullying.

Be respectful at  
school.

Treat neighbors and other  
members of your community fairly.

Include all neighbors in  
neighborhood activities.

Learn about  
different cultures.

Send good wishes on holidays that  
your neighbors celebrate, even if  
you don't celebrate them.

Get to know  
classmates who are  
different from you.

Apologize to siblings.

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## WAYS TO SHOW ACCEPTANCE SORT

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Ways I can show  
acceptance in my School

Ways I can show  
acceptance in my Home

Ways I can show acceptance  
in my Community

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## STUDENTS WITH CHARACTER

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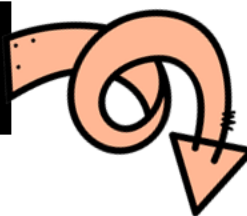
### Accepting Students

## THE NEW KID



Bella's teacher introduces a new student to the class who just moved here from a different country. She does not know that much English and none of the other students in her class talk to the new girl. Bella goes up to her and introduces herself to her. She asks her if she wants to sit with her at lunch, and then plays with her at recess too. Bella and the new girl use google translate when they need help to say something. They both learn new words in each other's languages. Other students see this and start to include the new girl as well.

How did this student show Acceptance?



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## LEADERS WITH CHARACTER

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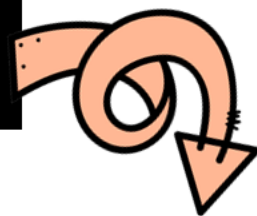
### Accepting Leaders

## GANDHI



Mahatma Gandhi was an Indian Lawyer, who used nonviolent protests to achieve India's independence from Britain and inspired movements for civil rights and freedom across the world. In 1915, he set about organizing peasants, farmers, and laborers to protest against excessive land tax and discrimination. Assuming leadership of the Indian National Congress, Gandhi led nationwide campaigns for easing poverty, expanding women's rights, and building religious and ethnic peace. He was imprisoned many times for many years because of his efforts. He undertook several hunger strikes to help stop the religious violence within India. He showed us the importance of being a leader who showed acceptance, he said *"I do not want my house to be walled in on all sides and my windows to be stifled. I want all the cultures of all lands to be blown about my house as freely as possible."*

### How did Gandhi show Acceptance?



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## CAREERS WITH CHARACTER

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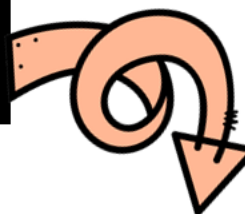
### Accepting Careers

# COUNSELOR



Counselors are trained to give guidance on personal, social, or psychological problems. They may specialize in certain areas such as marriage counseling or school counseling. There are a number of characteristics that counselors must have to be effective, including empathy, communication, listening skills, and being accepting of others' differences. Counselors work with a diverse group of clients and many of them may have different religions, cultures, or views different than their own. They must accept those differences, to create a successful working relationship to make progress with their client.

How do Counselors show Acceptance?



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## DIGITAL CHARACTER

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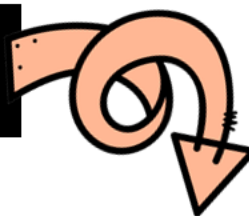
### Digital Acceptance

## ONLINE DEBATE



David and Cara are on a social media platform debating a topic that they both have strong views about. Cara thinks that the school lunch should be healthy, and David thinks it should be food that kids will actually want to eat, like pizza and burgers. Cara politely explains her perspective, that eating a healthy meal can help increase focus for school work. David thinks about what Cara said, he adds his perspective that the food has to be what kids will actually eat or they might not eat it at all and that would impact their ability to focus. Cara says she understands David's perspective and accepts that they will feel differently about this issue.

How did he show digital Acceptance?



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Treating others fairly.

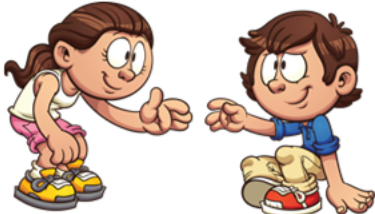


Bullying.



Having patience with those that have different abilities.

Showing forgiveness.



Excluding someone who is different.



Being closed-minded.



Learning about different cultures.



Making fun of someone who is different than you.



Judging others.



Spending time with people who are different from you.



Being kind and respectful.



Thinking you are better than others.





# ACCEPTANCE

ACCEPTANCE OR NOT? SORT

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



**THIS IS BEING ACCEPTING**

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**THIS IS NOT BEING ACCEPTING**

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# ACCEPTANCE

## CAUSE & EFFECT

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### CAUSE

Read the situations and determine what effect that decision will have.

### EFFECT

A new classmate that just moved here from another country is struggling to learn the language, you look at them annoyed.

A new classmate that just moved here from another country is struggling to learn the language, you learn a few words in their language.

Your friend does not celebrate Halloween because of her religion, you tell her how fun Halloween is.

# ACCEPTANCE

## CAUSE & EFFECT

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### CAUSE

Read the situations and determine what effect that decision will have.

### EFFECT

Your classmate wears a headscarf (hijab) as part of her culture, some students make fun of her for it.

Your classmate wears a headscarf (hijab) as part of her culture, you tell her it looks nice.

You make a joke about someone's race.

# ACCEPTANCE

## CAUSE & EFFECT

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### CAUSE

Read the situations and determine what effect that decision will have.

### EFFECT

Your friend is being bullied because of the color of their skin, you stand up for him.

Your friend is being bullied because of the color of their skin, you do nothing.

You tell a girl that she can't play that sport because it's a boys sport.



# ACCEPTANCE

## CAUSE & EFFECT

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### CAUSE

Read the situations and determine what effect that decision will have.

### EFFECT

You tell someone that their religion is wrong.

You tell someone that they should adapt to the culture of the country they live in now.

You ask someone questions to learn more about their culture and background.

# ACCEPTANCE

## CAUSE & EFFECT

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### CAUSE

Read the situations and determine what effect that decision will have.

### EFFECT

You refuse to think about anyone else's perspective, and insist yours is the right way.

You listen with an open mind to the views of others.

You try new foods from different cultures.

# ACCEPTANCE

## CAUSE & EFFECT

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### CAUSE

Read the situations and determine what effect that decision will have.

### EFFECT

You refuse to try new foods from other cultures.

You tell your classmate that you think it's weird they don't celebrate a holiday you celebrate.

You learn about a tradition that your friend's family does that you have never heard of before.

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## ROAD TO ACCEPTANCE

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### ROAD TO ACCEPTANCE: COLOR THE CAR OF YOUR ANSWER.

You are planning a party for Halloween and your friend mentions they don't celebrate Halloween.



Tell her she is going to miss out.



Tell her that she should celebrate it because it's really fun.



Tell her that you understand and respect her beliefs.

Your friend is being made fun of because of their accent.



Stand up for your friend.



Laugh along too.



Ignore it.

Your classmate is struggling with learning something, it is holding the rest of the class up.



Make her feel bad about it.



Be patient and understanding that everyone learns at a different pace.



Tell her to hurry up.



# ACCEPTANCE

## ROAD TO ACCEPTANCE

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### ROAD TO ACCEPTANCE: COLOR THE CAR OF YOUR ANSWER.

There's a new kid in class who moved here from South America. You have never met anyone from there before.



Introduce yourself and learn about their country



Ignore them.



Tell them they should dress more like they do in this country.

Your friend is in a wheelchair and cannot access the park because there are stairs and no ramp.



Ask them if it's okay for you to go without them.



Go to the park and leave them behind.



Find a park where everyone can access

At the track meet, you notice a girl on the other track team has a prosthetic leg.



Ask her what happened to her leg.



Treat her like you would anyone else.



Stare at her.

# ACCEPTANCE

## ROAD TO ACCEPTANCE

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### ROAD TO ACCEPTANCE: COLOR THE CAR OF YOUR ANSWER.

A boy classmate is wearing a pink shirt and you hear someone make fun of him for it.



Tell him that you like the shirt and to ignore them.



Don't say anything.



Tell him not to wear pink shirts.

There's a new student from a different country and you don't know anything about that country.



Stay away from them.



Do nothing.



Learn about the country.

A classmate has a weird looking food for their lunch that you have never seen before.



Say "Ew gross!"



Ask them about the food to learn more.



Give them a weird look.

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## ROAD TO ACCEPTANCE

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### ROAD TO ACCEPTANCE: COLOR THE CAR OF YOUR ANSWER.

Your grandmother asks you for help with doing something on the computer because she does not know how.



Tell her she needs to take a computer class.



Roll your eyes and joke about her not knowing how to use it.



Help her and be patient.

There is a new kid in the class and no one is playing with him.



Invite him to play with you.



Do nothing.



Laugh at him.

A classmate is making fun of someone because of the color of their skin.



Laugh along with them.



Tell them that it's not funny and to stop.



Feel bad but do nothing.

# ACCEPTANCE

## ROAD TO ACCEPTANCE

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### ROAD TO ACCEPTANCE: COLOR THE CAR OF YOUR ANSWER.

A friend of yours wears a hijab (head scarf) as part of her culture and she tells you she does not like to wear it because it makes her look different than others.



Tell her that our differences make us unique.



Tell her it looks bad.



Tell her not to wear it.

A classmate believes in a different religion than you do.



Stay away from them.



Tell them their religion is wrong and to switch to yours.



Accept that you have different beliefs, and can still be friends.

A friend tells you their parents are voting for a president that is different than the one your parents are voting for.



Tell them they are wrong to vote for that person.



Everyone has the right to vote for whoever they want to.



Don't be friends with them anymore.

# ACCEPTANCE

## ROAD TO ACCEPTANCE

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### ROAD TO ACCEPTANCE: COLOR THE CAR OF YOUR ANSWER.

Your friend wants to try out for the football team but all of the players are boys and she is a girl.



Tell her to choose a sport that is more for girls.



Tell her to go for it.



Tell her not to do it.

Your friend tells you that she lives with her grandparents.



Make her feel bad that she does not live with her parents.



Tell her she should live with her mom and dad.



Tell her that living with grandparents sounds fun.

You are frustrated because you can't seem to make yourself look like the famous girls in the magazines.



Feel bad about yourself.



Keep trying to look like them.



Appreciate how you look and don't try to look like other people.



# ACCEPTANCE

## AN ACCEPTING WORLD

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Tolerance vs. Acceptance

Tolerance is the ability to tolerate or endure something, in particular the opinions or behavior that one does not necessarily agree with. Acceptance goes a step further welcoming those differences, without attempting to change or protest them. Read the beliefs below and put a checkmark if they show tolerance or acceptance.

TOLERANCE

ACCEPTANCE

You think a classmates beliefs are wrong, but you don't say it aloud.		
You try to think about how to include everyone.		
You learn about other cultures so that you can better understand others.		
You are fine with other cultures but do not want to learn about them.		
You expect others to include themselves.		
You have different beliefs than your classmate, but don't think they are in the wrong.		
You put up with your friends views that are different than yours.		
You accept your friends views that are different than yours.		
You are respectful to those who are different than you, but don't agree with it.		
You do not try to change people who are different than you.		

# ACCEPTANCE

## AN ACCEPTING WORLD









Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_










### We are all different

Our differences make us unique. We all have commonalities that we share despite our differences. Color in the hearts below and have a friend or family member answer below and compare your similarities.

#### Me

-  I have brown hair.
-  I wear glasses.
-  I speak two languages.
-  I have freckles.
-  I'm from another country.
-  I have a nickname.
-  I can ride a bike.
-  I like to listen to music.
-  I play a sport.
-  I have short hair.
-  I like candy.
-  I have a pet.
-  I have a large family.

#### Family or Friend:

-  I have brown hair.
-  I wear glasses.
-  I speak two languages.
-  I have freckles.
-  I'm from another country.
-  I have a nickname.
-  I can ride a bike.
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## AN ACCEPTING WORLD

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Different, but the same.

Think of ways we are all similar and ways we are different. List them in the circles.



Ways we are different

Ways we are similar



# ACCEPTANCE

## AN ACCEPTING WORLD

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Being Open-minded

Think about certain things that you are open-minded about, things you have never thought about, and those things that you are decided on.

Self-reflect in the boxes below.



I have made my mind up about:

I am open minded about:



I have given little or no thought to:





# ACCEPTANCE

## AN ACCEPTING WORLD

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### This is how we do it.

Discover how different kids from all over the world do things. Try to find something you have in common with each of them.



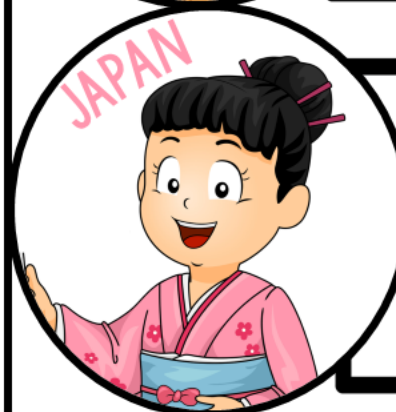
I live in Germany near a lake where it can get cold and rains often. I speak German and live with my mom, dad, little sister and 2 dogs. My favorite food is pretzels. My favorite thing to do is watch T.V. with my sister, play board games with my family, and play with my dogs.

Do you have anything in common with this student?



I live in Haiti in a large city, where we have a hot tropical climate year round. I speak Creole and French and live with my mom, big brother and my grandmother. My favorite food is fish. My favorite thing to do is play soccer with my friends and cook new foods.

Do you have anything in common with this student?



I live in the mountains in Japan, where it gets very cold and has heavy snow. I speak Japanese and live with my mom, dad, big brother and my grandfather. My favorite food is sushi. My favorite thing to do is make origami and other crafts, read books, and play on the computer.

Do you have anything in common with this student?



I live near the beach in Mexico, where we have a tropical climate. I speak Spanish and English and live with mom, dad, big sister, little brother and my aunt and cousins. My favorite food is rice and beans. My favorite thing to do is go to the beach with my family and swim.

Do you have anything in common with this student?



# ACCEPTANCE

## AN ACCEPTING WORLD

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

What are some examples of acceptance you have seen from others?

Teacher

Parent/Guardian

Strangers

Friends

# ACCEPTANCE

## AN ACCEPTING WORLD

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

What would society look like if no one was accepting?



Would you want to live in this society, why or why not?



# ACCEPTANCE

## AN ACCEPTING WORLD

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

What would society look like if everyone was accepting?



Would you want to live in this society, why or why not?



# ACCEPTANCE

## AN ACCEPTING WORLD

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Let's time travel to the **future**, what is one way you would want people to be more accepting? Why?



Let's time travel to the **past**, what is one way you would have wanted people to be more accepting? Why?



# ACCEPTANCE

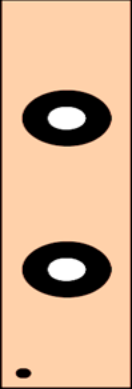
## SELF-REFLECTION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

We all make mistakes, that is how we learn! Think of one example of a time where you did NOT show accepting behavior.

I was NOT accepting when I...



What I learned...



This is how I will be more accepting...





# ACCEPTANCE

## SELF-REFLECTION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Think about what acceptance means to you and how you like to show acceptance or have others show acceptance to you.

One way I would like to show acceptance



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One way I would want acceptance shown to me



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Being accepting is important to me because



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# ACCEPTANCE

## SELF-REFLECTION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Think about the ways you show acceptance, pick one that you feel you are consistent in doing and reflects your good character.



# ACCEPTANCE

## TASK CARDS

# TASK

## THINK & DISCUSS

# CARDS

### TIPS FOR USING TASK CARDS

- Encourage students to think about each question and share their response.
- Pair students together to have them take turns answering the task cards.
- Use the task cards as a center activity.
- To make it a writing activity, have students write their responses on paper.
- To make it a class wide activity, read the card out loud and encourage student responses. (see included PowerPoint slides to display on board)



### DIG DEEPER QUESTIONS

- Are there multiple answers that could be considered accepting decisions?
- How are your responses different or similar to other students?
- Why are some of our responses similar or different?
- What impacts our decision to be accepting or not?
- Does one unaccepting decision make you an unaccepting person?
- What will happen if you repeatedly make unaccepting decisions?

# ACCEPTANCE

What are ways to  
show  
self-  
acceptance?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

What are ways to  
show acceptance as  
a friend?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

Is tolerating  
others  
differences  
being  
accepting?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

What are ways  
you can be  
accepting of  
others when  
you are online?



THINK & DISCUSS





# ACCEPTANCE

What are honest and respectful ways to tell someone that you disagree with them?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

What are ways to show acceptance as a student?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

What are ways to show acceptance as a family member?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

Think of someone who is accepting. How do they show acceptance?



THINK & DISCUSS





# ACCEPTANCE

Is it showing acceptance to put up with someone's differences but not approve of them? Why?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

What is one way you show acceptance in your life?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

Is it showing acceptance to recognize differences and not try to change them? Why?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

How can you show acceptance in the cafeteria?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

How can  
you show  
acceptance  
in the music  
room?



THINK & DISCUSS

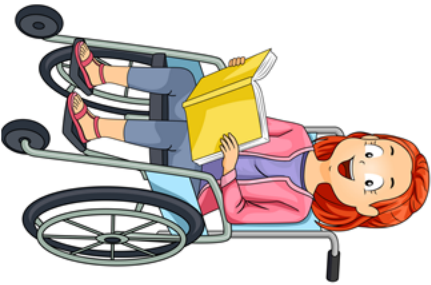


# ACCEPTANCE

How can  
you show  
acceptance  
in the  
library?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

How can  
you show  
acceptance  
in the art  
room?



THINK & DISCUSS

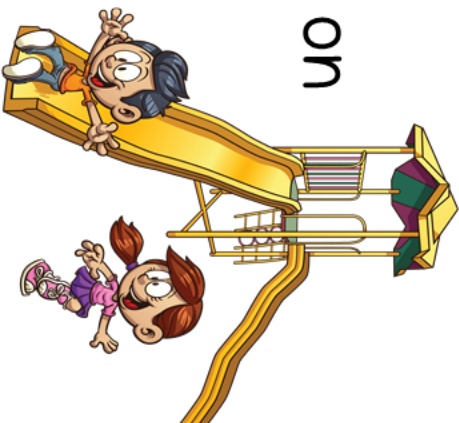


# ACCEPTANCE

How can you  
show  
acceptance on  
the  
playground?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

How can you show acceptance at P.E.?



THINK & DISCUSS

# ACCEPTANCE

How can you show acceptance at Recess?



THINK & DISCUSS

# ACCEPTANCE

How can you show acceptance at family gatherings?



THINK & DISCUSS

# ACCEPTANCE

Is judging someone based on how they look showing acceptance?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

What is one way  
you wish people  
would be more  
accepting?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

What is one  
way that you  
want to be  
more  
accepting?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

Is it showing acceptance to  
be patient with those who  
have less abilities,  
skills, or knowledge  
than you do?  
Why?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

Is it showing  
acceptance to  
disapprove of  
something as long  
as you don't say  
it out loud? Why?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

Is it showing  
acceptance to  
treat others  
fairly? Why?



THINK & DISCUSS

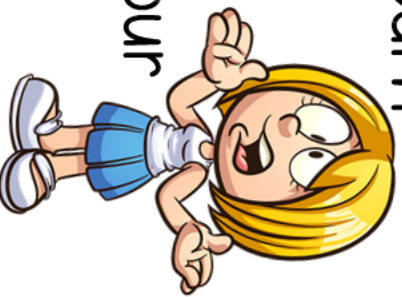


# ACCEPTANCE

Is it showing  
acceptance to learn  
about cultures  
and beliefs  
different than your  
own? Why?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

Is it showing  
acceptance to  
have an  
open mind?  
Why?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

Is it showing  
acceptance to  
only recognize  
your beliefs as  
correct? Why?



THINK & DISCUSS





# ACCEPTANCE

Is it showing acceptance  
to help make sure  
everyone feels  
included?  
Why?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

Is it showing  
acceptance to  
make a joke that  
belittles a  
person's culture?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

Is it showing acceptance  
to surround yourself with  
only people who  
think and look  
like you? Why?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

How does it feel when  
you are treated unfairly?  
What can you  
do?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

How can  
showing  
acceptance  
change the way  
that others view  
you?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

Will getting to know people  
who are different than you  
help you to be more  
accepting? Why?



THINK & DISCUSS

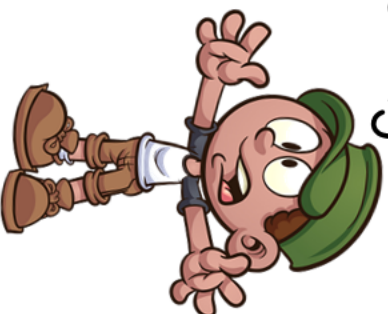


# ACCEPTANCE

When someone  
shows unaccepting  
behavior  
frequently  
how do others  
view them?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

Is showing acceptance  
an important character  
trait to have in a friend?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

Is showing acceptance an important character trait for a leader to have?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

Is showing acceptance an important character trait to have when using a phone or computer?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

Is showing acceptance an important character trait for a student to have?



THINK & DISCUSS



# ACCEPTANCE

Is showing acceptance an important character trait to show working in a career?



THINK & DISCUSS





# ACCEPTANCE

## SITUATION CARDS

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## WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

# CARDS

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### DIG DEEPER QUESTIONS

- What is the honest thing to do and why?
- What are the possible consequences of this decision?
- What are the possible positive results of this decision?
- What would happen if an alternative decision was made?
- Does your decision help or hurt others?
- Is what you want to do different than the honest thing to do? Why?
- What are all the different decisions that could be made?

# ACCEPTANCE



## WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

You and your friend disagree about which soccer team is the best.

How can you show acceptance?



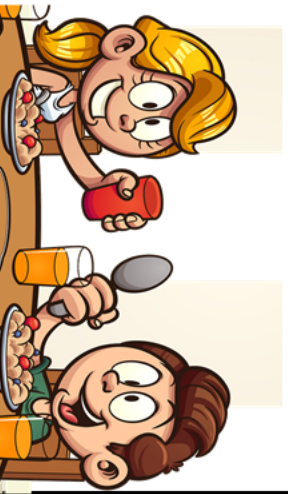
# ACCEPTANCE



## WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

While eating dinner at a friend's house, the food is from a different culture and you have never had it before.

How can you show acceptance?



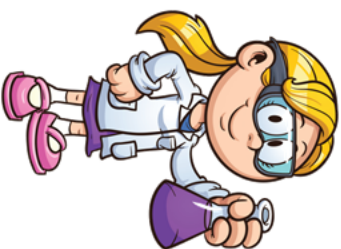
# ACCEPTANCE



## WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

One of your classmates who is a girl wants to join the science club you are in, but only boys have ever been in the club.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



## WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

You see someone bullying another kid in the hallway.

How can you show acceptance?





# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

You see some of your classmates treating another classmate badly because she dresses different.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

Your friend tells you that he can only be your friend if you exclude a classmate that he does not like.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

There is one classmate that never gets picked to be on the team first because they run slow.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

Your classmate is not good at reading and is taking a while to finish reading the passage.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

You see an opinion online that you do not agree with.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

Your classmate is in a wheelchair and can't participate in a certain activity at recess.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

Your classmate is blind and needs help getting to his classes.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

You have never liked dogs, but you have never spent time around one either. Your friend offers for you to come over and meet their new dog.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

Your friend tells everyone that you can only sit with them if you are on the cheerleading team.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

You invite your friend to your Halloween party but she says she does not celebrate Halloween because of her religion.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

Your grandparent asks you for help using the computer because he is not familiar with computers.

How can you show acceptance?



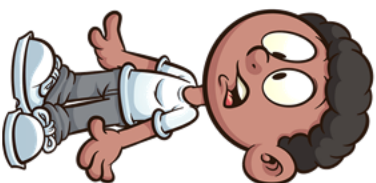
# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

You see a person being treated unfairly.

How can you show acceptance?





# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

At the park, a new kid wants to join in on the game your group is playing.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

Your new teacher this year is from a different country and speaks with an accent. Some of the students make fun of the ways she talks. How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

Your brother tells you he is sad because he feels like he does not fit in.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

You see a person online who is being treated unfairly.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



## WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

Your friend wears a hijab (head scarf) because of her religious beliefs. Some people look at her weird because of it.  
How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



## WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

Your friend invites you to a concert for a band that you don't listen to.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



## WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

Your classmate tells you he moved from a country you have never heard of before.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



## WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

This one kid never gets invited to parties, your birthday is coming up.

How can you show acceptance?





# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

Your friend tells you she is autistic, but you don't know what that means.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

Your friend talks differently and sometimes people make fun of him for it.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

At a family gathering, your uncle starts telling you some of his opinions that you do not agree with.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

You notice a kid at the store has a prosthetic leg.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



## WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

You are in your online class and one of your classmates is having a hard time understanding something so your teacher goes over it again.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



## WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

Your group members decide on a topic that you do not want to do.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



## WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

Your friend celebrates a holiday that is coming up, you do not celebrate this holiday.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



## WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

You see a person being treated badly because they have a disability.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

Your friend says that she is being raised by her grandmother, another kid says he thinks that's odd.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

You hear a person make a joke about your friend's dad because he is a nurse and they think that's a "girl's job".

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

You are not allowed to have peanut butter in your classroom because a classmate is allergic but you really love peanut butter.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

One of your classmates struggles to control their emotions and often has anger outbursts and misbehaves.

How can you show acceptance?





# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

One of your classmates is overweight and other kids make fun of him and call him fat.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

Your brother gets new glasses and your other brother makes fun of the way they look on him.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

Your friend wants to try out for the basketball team but other kids tell him he is too short.

How can you show acceptance?



# ACCEPTANCE



**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

Your classmate gets to use a special software on the computer to help her because of her disability and you wish you could use the computer too.

How can you show acceptance?



ACCEPTANCE  
Recognize,  
appreciate, AND  
respect THOSE  
WHO ARE different  
FROM YOU.



# ACCEPTANCE

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CHARACTER EDUCATION

# ACCEPTANCE

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CHARACTER EDUCATION

# ACCEPTANCE

Recognize, appreciate, AND respect THOSE  
WHO ARE different FROM YOU.

Be kind, show  
empathy, and  
be respectful.

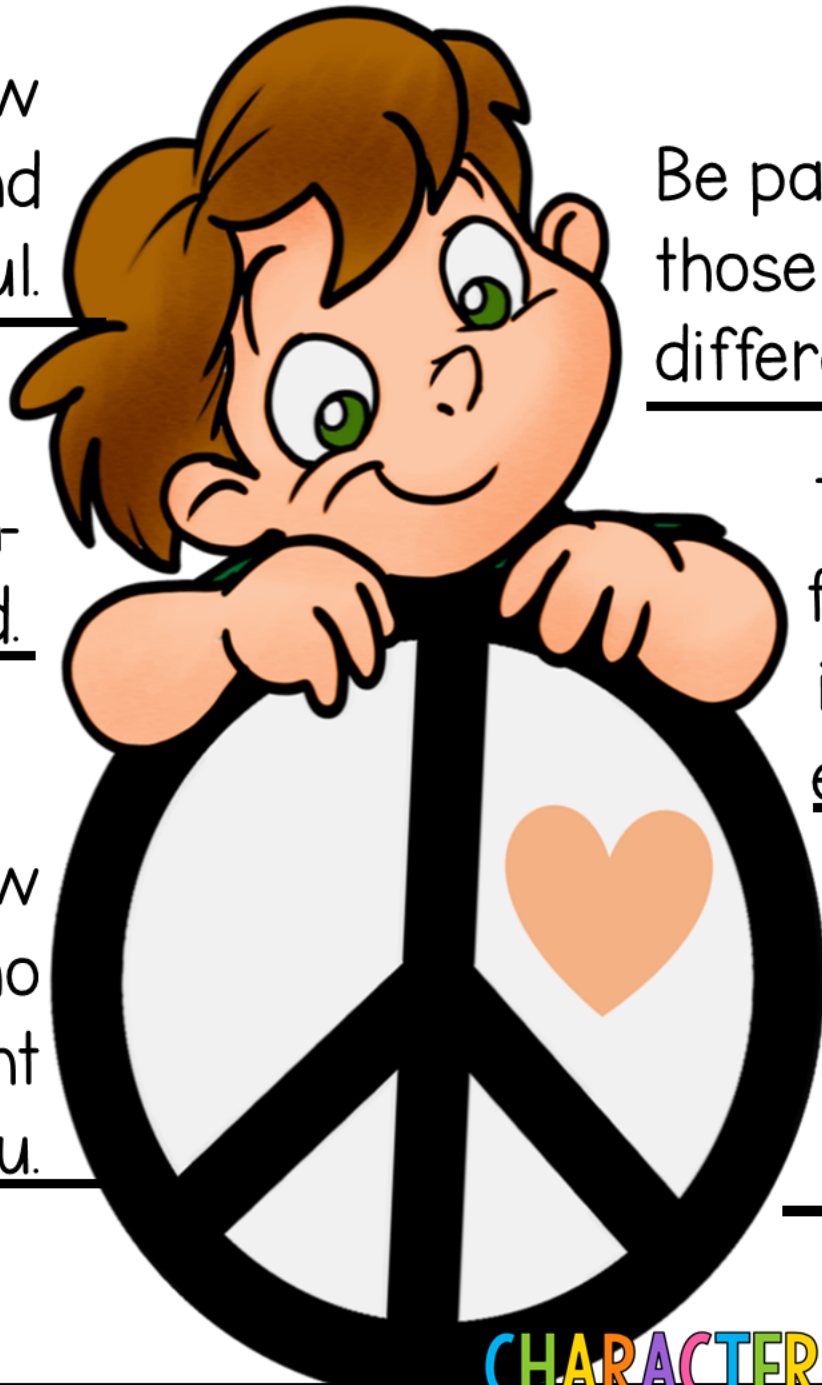
Be patient with  
those who have  
different abilities.

Be open-  
minded.

Treat people  
fairly and  
include  
everyone.

Get to know  
people who  
are different  
than you.

Learn about  
different  
cultures.



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# QUOTE ABOUT

## ACCEPTANCE

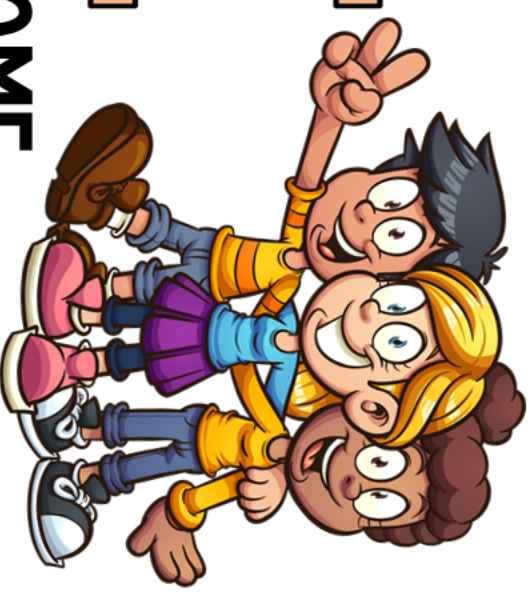
**“IT IS NOT OUR DIFFERENCES THAT DIVIDE US. IT IS OUR INABILITY TO RECOGNIZE, ACCEPT, AND CELEBRATE THOSE DIFFERENCES.”**

**- AUDRE LORDE**



# STUDENTS WITH

# ACCEPTANCE



RECOGNIZE, RESPECT, AND WELCOME  
DIVERSITY INTO THEIR CLASSROOM.

- \* Are kind, respectful, and show empathy.
- \* Treat everyone fairly.
- \* Welcome and include everyone.
- \* Are patient and understanding of those with different abilities.

# CAREERS WITH

## ACCEPTANCE COUNSELOR



Counselors are trained to give guidance on personal, social, or psychological problems. They may specialize in certain areas such as marriage counseling or school counseling. There are a number of characteristics that counselors must have to be effective, including empathy, communication, listening skills, and being accepting of others' differences. Counselors work with a diverse group of clients and many of them may have different religions, cultures, or views different than their own. They must accept those differences, to create a successful working relationship to make progress with their client.

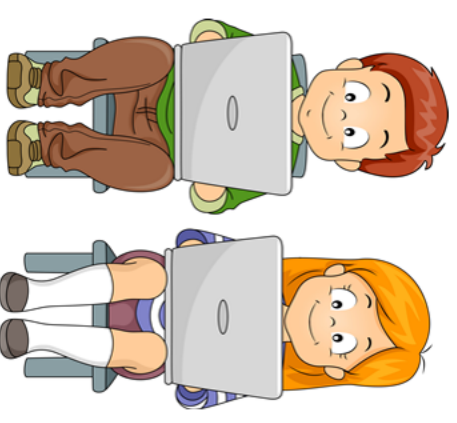
# LEADERS WITH

# ACCEPTANCE



Mahatma Gandhi was an Indian Lawyer, who used nonviolent protests to achieve India's independence from Britain and inspired movements for civil rights and freedom across the world. In 1915, he set about organizing peasants, farmers, and laborers to protest against excessive land tax and discrimination. Assuming leadership of the Indian National Congress, Gandhi led nationwide campaigns for easing poverty, expanding women's rights, and building religious and ethnic peace. He was imprisoned many times for many years because of his efforts. He undertook several hunger strikes to help stop the religious violence within India. He showed us the importance of being a leader who showed acceptance, he said "*I do not want my house to be walled in on all sides and my windows to be stifled. I want all the cultures of all lands to be blown about my house as freely as possible.*"

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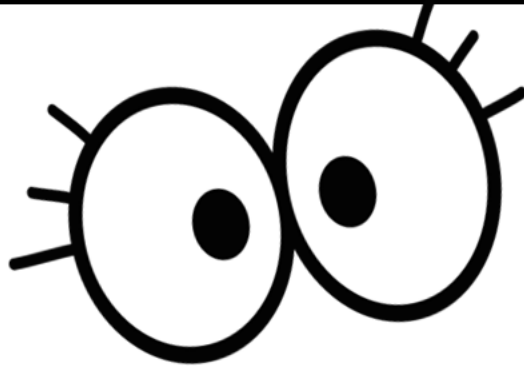
**ACCEPTANCE**  
**BEING RESPECTFUL ONLINE OF FEELINGS OR**  
**BELIEFS THAT ARE DIFFERENT FROM YOUR OWN.**

- ✳ Before you press send, think, does this sound like I am being accepting to others?
- ✳ Use respectful language and manners.
- ✳ Show kindness and keep an open mind.



# ACCEPTANCE

## LOOKS LIKE



- ✱ I learn about cultures and beliefs that are different than my own.
- ✱ I recognize and appreciate differences.
- ✱ I treat others with respect.
- ✱ I include everyone.
- ✱ I get to know and befriend people who are different from me.

# ACCEPTANCE

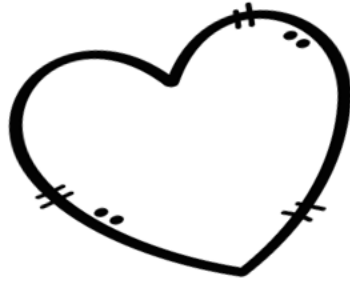
## SOUNDS LIKE



- \* I use kind words.
- \* I speak respectfully.
- \* I speak up for the rights of others.
- \* I ask questions to learn more about others.
- \* I treat others fairly.
- \* I am welcoming and friendly.

# ACCEPTANCE

## FEELS LIKE

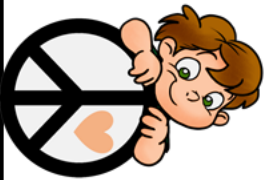


- \* I am respectful.
- \* I feel open to new ideas and ways of doing things.
- \* I am patient with others.
- \* I do not feel superior to others.
- \* I show fairness.
- \* I have empathy for others.
- \* I feel that differences are to be celebrated, not feared.

# MY ACCEPTANCE PLEDGE

This is how I am going to show acceptance:

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Pledge by: \_\_\_\_\_



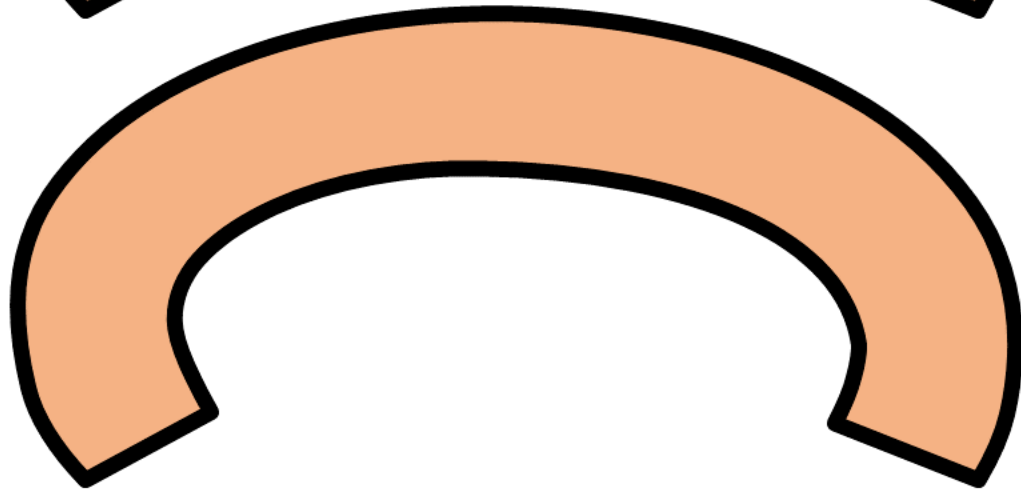
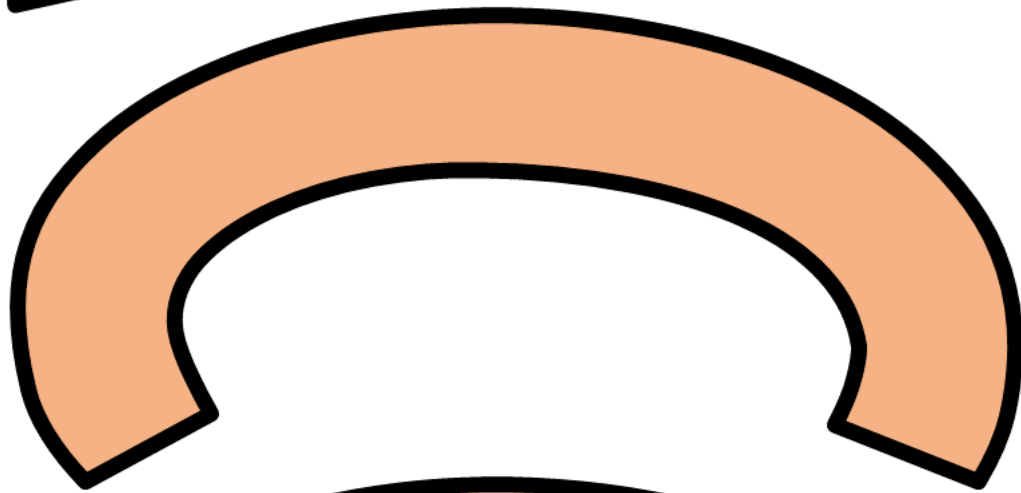
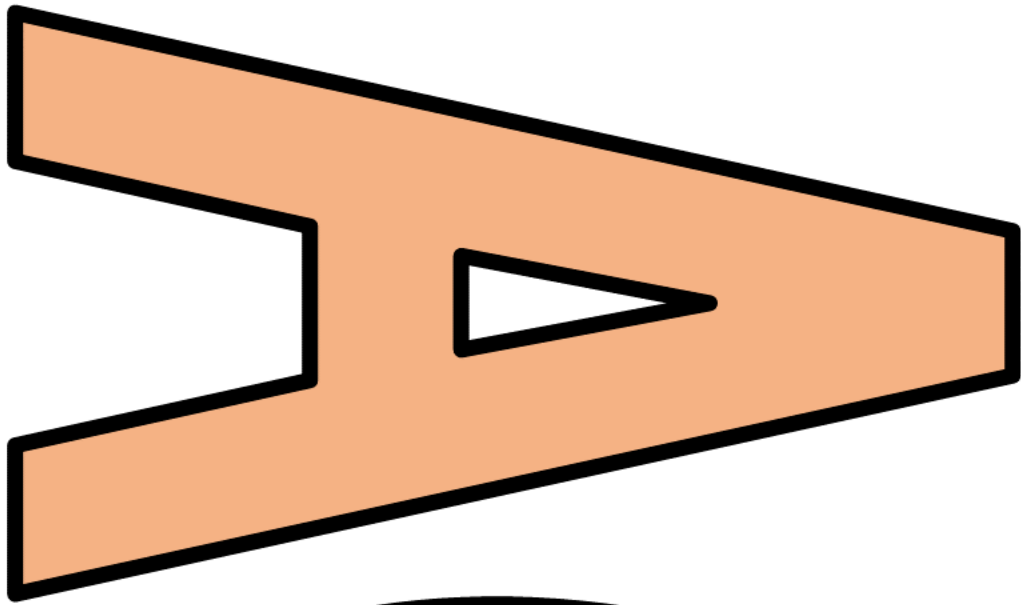
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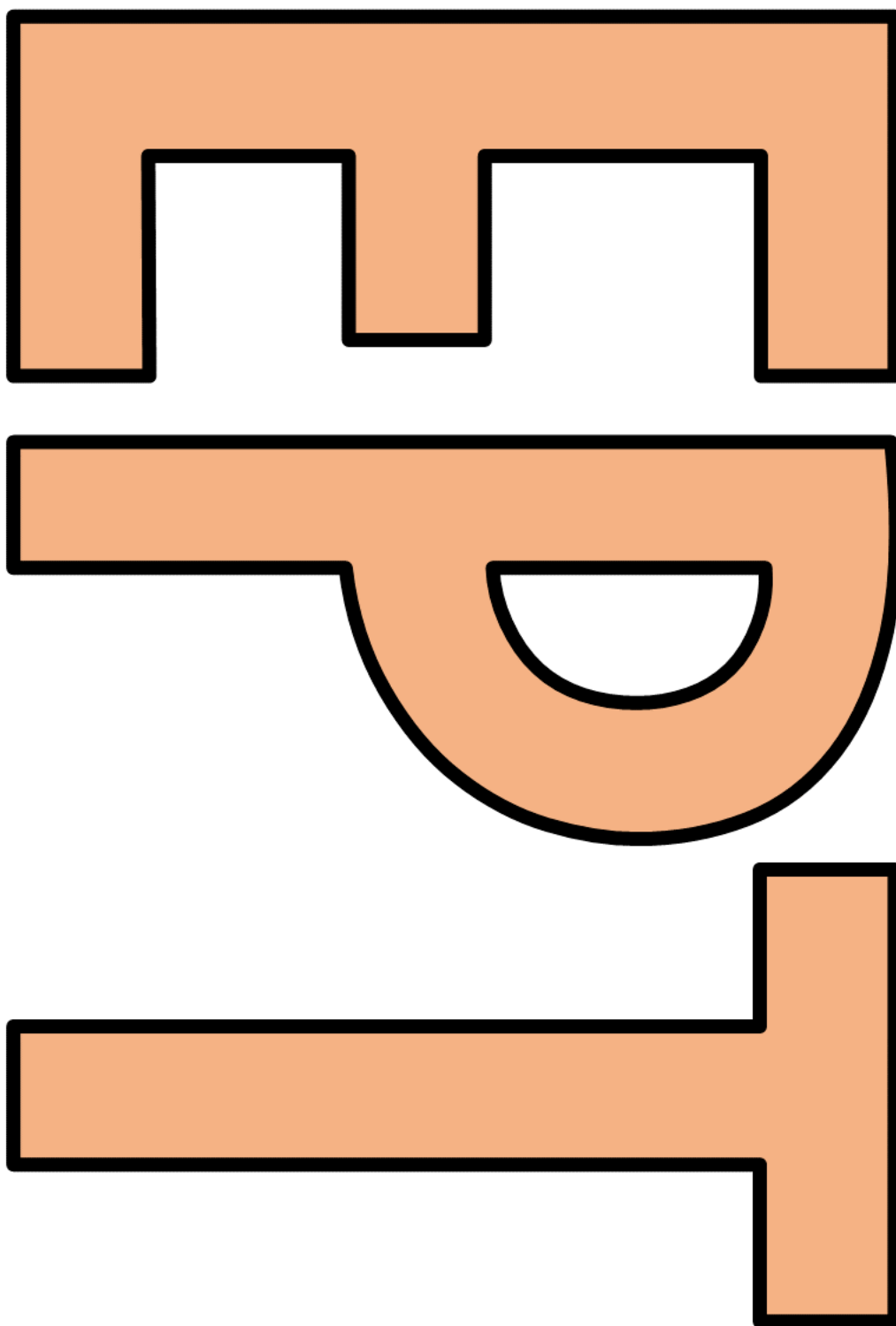
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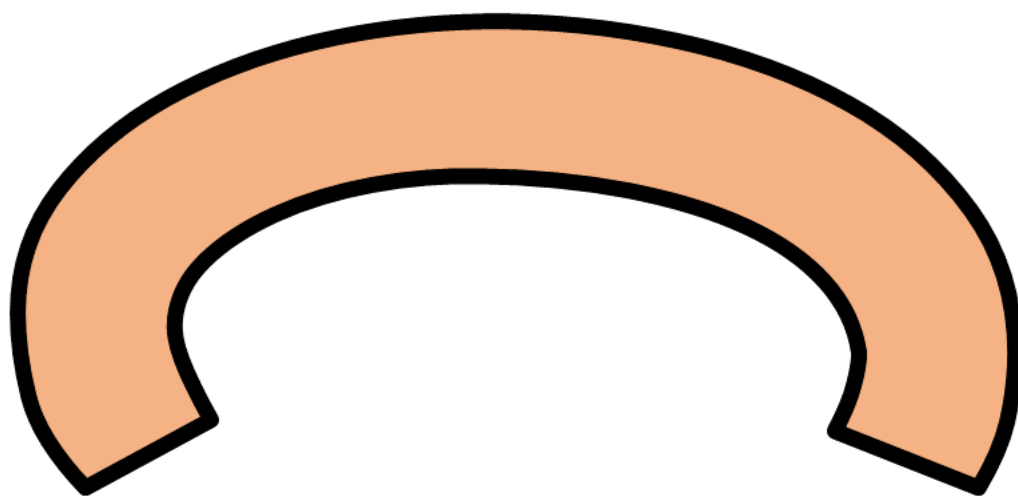
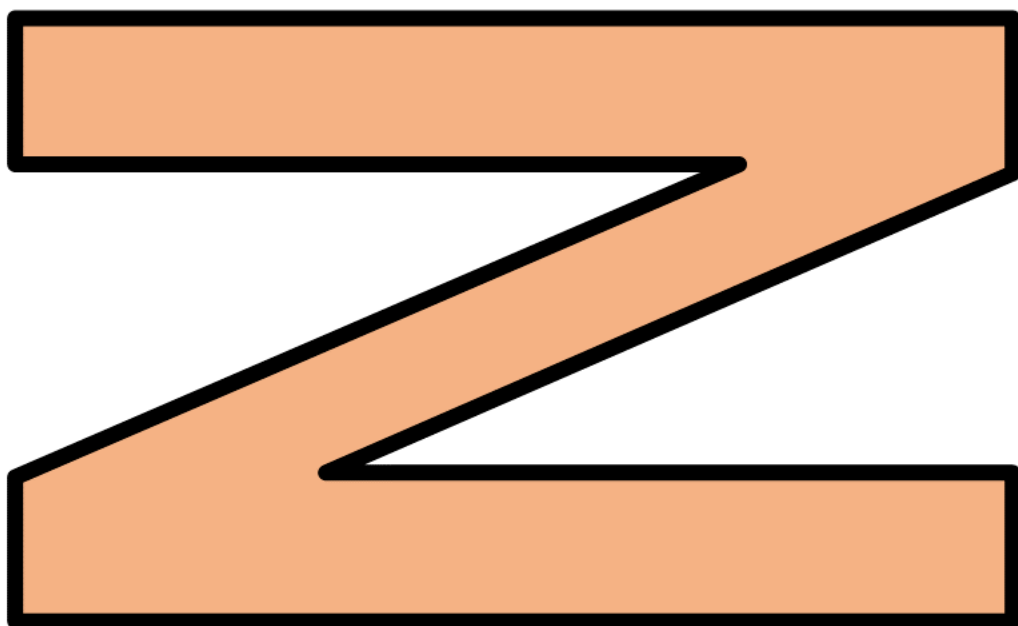
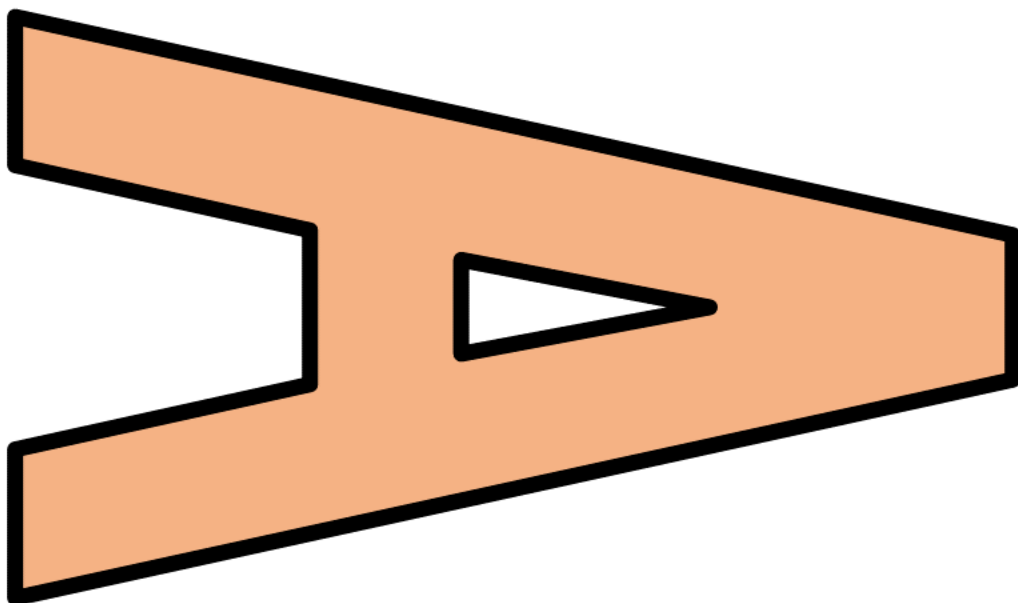
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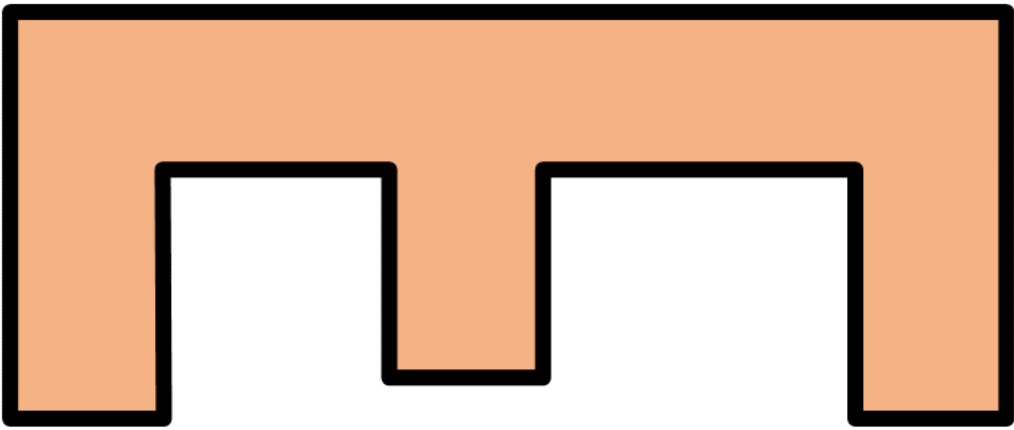
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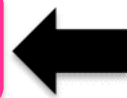
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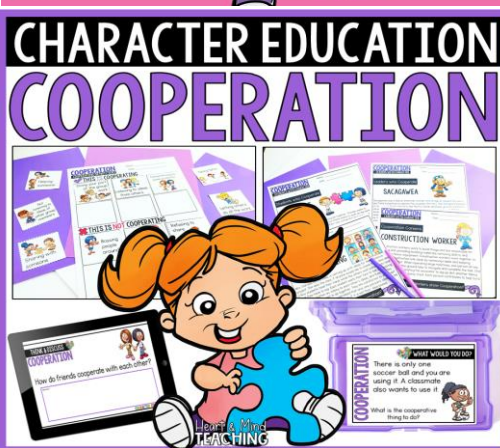
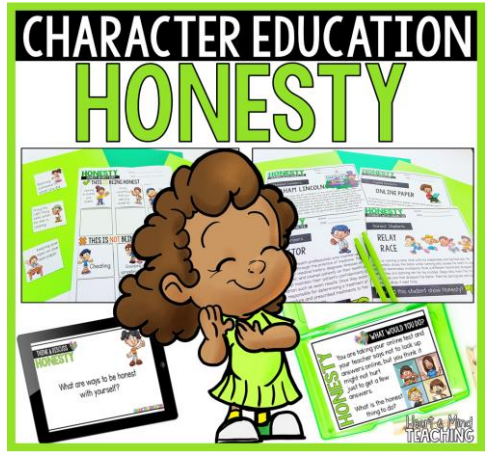


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