

November

Character Trait:

Cooperation

Behavior	Social Skill
Disagreeing, Negotiating	Conflict Resolution
Selfish, Greedy	Sharing
Not Participation, Isolation	Teamwork
Indecisive	Decision Making
Anxiety, Angry, Scared, Sad	Communication

During the month of _____ our focus will be on the character trait 'Cooperation'. The morning forecast will be as follow:

What is Cooperation?

Cooperation is working agreeably together for a common purpose or benefit. "Together we can achieve more." A good book to read this month is "Learn the Value of Cooperation by Elaine Goley. The book is available in our library.

Benefits of Cooperation

- Problems get identified and solved.
- Communication increases
- Work gets done and goals are reached.
- Appreciation for what others do for us grows.
- When individuals cooperate, our family, workplace, school, church, and community grow stronger.
- Cooperating with others allows us to practice other character traits such as respect, kindness, caring, and responsibility.
- Cooperation gets us involved in life

How Do You Practice Cooperation?

We practice cooperation when we

- are willing to discuss a problem with someone seen as a troublemaker.
- take an active role in identifying and solving problems
- are willing to sometimes put the needs of others before our own.

More Ways to Practice Cooperation

We practice cooperation when we encourage others to work together to solve a problem or complete a job.

- Are willing to work with others to reach a common goal that will benefit many.
- Do our share to make our home school, community, and place of worship better, cleaner, and safer.

Still More Ways to Develop Cooperation

We practice cooperation when we

- Play by the rules.
- Know what's happening in our home, school, and community.
- Respect what others in the community do.
- Volunteer to help others.
- Seek help from others when needed

Affirmation

Cooperation
Together
everyone
achieves
more

Books to Read

Learn the Value of Cooperation by Elaine Goley. Examines the importance of cooperation and its importance in day-to-day life.

Timothy Turtle by A. V. Davis. Timothy finds himself in a terrible predicament-upside down. His friends and wise frog cooperate to help him.

Mouse Count by E. S. Walsh. A hungry snake gathers little mice in a jar for his dinner. The wise little mice cooperate to outwit the snake, overturn the jar, and win their freedom.



Cooperation

- 1 Write a plan on how you can be more cooperative
- 2 How do you feel when you're not part of a group?
- 3 What 3 things can you do to make somebody feel part of a group?
- 4 Write 3 classroom rules that help everyone to remember to be cooperative.
- 5 What consequence should be in place for not being cooperative?
- 6 If somebody isn't being cooperative with you, what can you do?
- 7 *Make a poster about being cooperative and doing the right things.*

Name: _____

Cooperation BINGO

Can you complete the Cooperation BINGO? Must provide evidence for each square.

<h1>Cooperation</h1>				
<h1>B I N G O</h1>				
Cooperated during group work.	Cooperated during literacy centers.	Cooperated when you really didn't want to.	Started tasks promptly when asked.	Helped another student(s)
Cooperated during tidying up.	Worked together with others fairly.	Responded to a need.	Worked together in pairs well.	Offered a helping hand.
Demonstrated teamwork.	Encouraged others positively.	Free	Listened intently to all instructions.	Listened while others talked.
Shared without being prompted.	Included others at recess.	Helped others when they were down.	Do your part without being reminded.	Finish all tasks before free time.
Modeled cooperative behavior.	Taking turns fairly without being asked.	Help bring out the best in others.	Listen enthusiastically to others.	Cooperated in your least favorite subjects.

Name: _____

Cooperation and Collaboration

Do I cooperate and collaborate? The skills below are essential for a great school experience. Use a checkmark or an to indicate your strengths and areas for improvement. Better skills lead to better marks. Which ones need improving for next term?

- Begin, end or keep a conversation going.
- Give praise
- Receive praise
- Wait your turn
- Ask for some help
- Provide some help
- Accept criticism
- Provide criticism about the idea (not the person)
- Clarify
- Ask for clarification
- Show tolerance and acceptance of others
- Understand the viewpoints of others
- Respect feelings of others
- Encourage participation of others
- Listen
- Stay on task and focused
- Be responsible
- Help others to be responsible
- Respond appropriately when others are angry
- Convince others
- Stand up for your rights appropriately
- Apologize if needed
- Model good citizenship
- Cooperate and collaborate well both during class time and recess times

Cooperation Word Search

W A S D W E A I D T A H T N D
Q S G Y E R N M D G S Y O H N
E S N F T T B Q F W H T G Y O
P I I G U I V W G J E R E W I
A S D H B Y N E H R L F T D T
R T N J I U C U J B P V H V A
T A A K R I X R A F F I E Y N
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R C S Z N P L Y A T S F D U D
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I O D C Q S P U Z X C V B N O
P I N V M P J I F G H J K L C
R U U B U D H O P A S D F G H
T Y A S N F G K R O W M A E T

cooperation

partnership

teamwork

contribute

help

coordination

support

unity

understanding

together

assistance

aid

Name: _____

Cooperation Poem

C is for _____

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