

Human Relations Activity  
*Conflict Management Skills: "Students Avoid Fighting"*  
Primary: K-2            Elementary: 3-6

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Objectives:    To help students foster a positive and friendly atmosphere in school.  
                         To help students learn how to use friendly behaviors to solve conflicts.

Time:            30 – 40 minutes

Materials:     "George" lesson and worksheets, chalkboard, chalk, dictionary, pencils and crayons.

Procedure:

1. Write the word "friend" on the chalkboard and ask for definitions. Have children use dictionary to check the meaning. (person who knows and likes another; a person who favors and supports)
2. Distribute the worksheets and read the poem, "George" to the class.
3. Have students answer the following questions:
  - Who was George Washington?
  - How do you think he felt about friendship? Why?
  - How did he feel about spreading rumors?
  - How did he feel about telling lies?
  - What makes people feel proud and tall?
  - How can friendship bring peace?
  - Why should people try to spread peace instead of violence?
4. Ask students for friendly words and behaviors and list on the board. (Words: hello; How are you? Behaviors: reading to younger children; cleaning the house)
5. How can using friendly words and behaviors help prevent fighting? Give examples from personal experience.
6. Ask volunteers to role-play the following situations using friendly behaviors and words listed on the board:
  - helping a new student in class
  - sharing a job at school (cleaning the chalkboard, etc)
  - deciding who is first in line for lunch
  - knowing a friend's secret
  - playing a group game
7. Culminate the activity completing the worksheets individually or together.

Proficiency Test Skills:

- Reading: poetry, comprehension, vocabulary, following directions, analyzing the text, synonyms, predicting outcomes
- Writing: personal narrative
- Citizenship: rules of fair play, group decision making, cooperative activity, personal involvement in the community

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Our presidents have shown the way,  
How to make our country grand.  
By giving others friendship,  
Bringing peace throughout the land.

Little George Washington,  
Was told, "Never tell a lie".  
And never spread a rumor,  
It hurts people, that is why.

Little George also learned,  
When he was very small.  
That treating people fairly,  
Helped them stand proud and tall.

Little George Washington,  
Was the first president we had.  
He wanted all the people,  
To be healthy and glad.

So when he took office,  
He told people to be kind.  
Try to settle conflicts peacefully,  
Have a nonviolent mind.

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*Primary Worksheet*

Directions: Answer the question, "If you were president, what would you do to keep our country safe?"

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Directions: Find the missing vowel sounds in the Vowel Bank for each word.

<u>Vowel Bank</u>				
e	ai	ie	ou	ay
a	oy	ee	oo	i

1. There are many friendly c\_\_\_\_\_ties in the United States of America.
2. Be pr\_\_\_\_\_d of yourself and your friends.
3. Do not tell a l\_\_\_\_\_ or start a rumor.
4. Valentine's D\_\_\_\_\_ is a celebration of love.
5. George Washington and Abraham Lincoln w\_\_\_\_\_ presidents.
6. People should treat each other f\_\_\_\_\_rly.
7. Be a g\_\_\_\_\_d person and do what is right.
8. K\_\_\_\_\_p doing nice things for your family and friends.
9. Every girl and b\_\_\_\_\_ should be safe in school.
10. Even \_\_\_\_\_nimals should be treated with respect.

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*Elementary Worksheet*

Directions: Answer the question, "If you were president, what would you do to keep our country safe?"

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Directions: Read the sentences and find the synonym in the Word Box that matches the underlined word.

<u>Word Box</u>				
gossip	occupation	brotherhood	great	noble
display	compassionate	distribute	small	just

1. Valentine's Day is a celebration of love and friendship. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Sharing is a great way to show friendship. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Our presidents helped to make our country grand. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Being a friend means being kind. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Do you know how to spread friendship? \_\_\_\_\_
6. George Washington disliked rumors because they hurt. \_\_\_\_\_
7. Little George Washington did not tell a lie. \_\_\_\_\_
8. Being a president is a very important job. \_\_\_\_\_
9. Abraham Lincoln learned to be fair. \_\_\_\_\_
10. All people should be able to stand proud and tall. \_\_\_\_\_

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