

Responsibility Grab Bag

KINDNESS BEYOND THE CLASSROOM™
WHOLE GROUP • OPTION 3 • RESPONSIBILITY

Lesson Timeframe

20-25 mins

Materials

- ❑ 3 Different Colored Blocks- Red, Yellow, Blue (or other small items- can be different colors if needed)
- ❑ A bag
- ❑ Responsibility poster (optional)



Share

Define responsibility: RESPONSIBILITY IS BEING RELIABLE TO DO THE THINGS THAT ARE EXPECTED OR REQUIRED OF YOU. (Share the responsibility poster if desired.) This means you are trustworthy and people can count on you. You say what you do and do what you say. Brainstorm ways your friends can count on you.

- What actions help you know that they will follow through on things that they are expected or required to do?

Aim for 2-3 volunteers of varying ages.



Inspire

Every person is responsible for certain things, no matter where we are. This might be at home, at school, or even in the community (like the store, park, etc). As you get older, you have more responsibilities. However, all of our responsibilities are valuable and important. We need to follow through on what we say we will do. This means you are reliable. Responsibility and reliability go hand in hand! When we are reliable we follow through on all of our responsibilities.



Empower

Explain that the group will now play a game to highlight ways we are responsible at home, at school, and in the community. Place 3 different colored blocks (like red, blue, and yellow) into an opaque bag. Explain that each student will:

- Draw out one block and finish the sentence prompt associated with that color. Red = At home I am responsible for...; Blue = At school I am responsible for...; Yellow = In the community I am responsible for... If you are using different colored blocks, adjust the color key and sentence prompts accordingly.
- Place the block back in and shake up the bag.
- Pass the bag to the next person.



Reflect

Guide a discussion about PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY.

- What are my personal responsibilities each day?
- How does it help others when I take ownership of my responsibilities?
- How can we encourage each other to follow through on our responsibilities when we are here together?

