

Teacher's Guide

Molly the Great Respects the Flag

Introduction

This teacher's guide helps teach young children about the importance of being respectful. This series focuses on character education and uses contextual situations to help children understand why healthy habits and good citizenship are important.

National Standards

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Classroom Activities

Activities for teaching the five curriculum areas: Reading/Language Arts; Math, Science; Social Studies; and the Arts, can be found in this teacher's guide. Beginning readers will practice reading with sight words and simple sentences as they learn about the importance of being respectful.

Guided Reading Level: F

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Character Education with Super Ben and Molly the Great Teacher's Guide for

Molly the Great Respects the Flag

Young children are learning healthy habits for good citizenship and are beginning to look outward to the world beyond their family and school to understand how things work. Using bright engaging color illustrations, this book centers around the theme of respect. The situation presented in this book can lead to discussions about the importance of being respectful.

Here are some basic topics that you can discuss with your students within the realm of character education.

Super Skills

Honesty

Honesty is being truthful, even when the consequences of doing so may not be pleasant. Many times people are not honest to avoid being in an uncomfortable situation or to avoid negative consequences of previous actions. Discuss with your students the importance of being honest with concrete, specific examples to reinforce this positive trait.

Responsibility

Responsibility is taking the steps that are necessary for successful completion of a task or the function of a group task. Many times children are given responsibilities at home such as cleaning their rooms, or caring for a pet. In the classroom, students can be given responsibilities to help with the function of the whole classroom.

Timeliness

Timeliness is the habit of being on time. It shows that you are responsible and care about others. Timeliness is important at home and at school. In the classroom, teachers can draw attention to the value of being on time by keeping a posted schedule and giving students warnings regarding scheduled changes. (e.g., "You have five minutes until we need to stop for lunch.")

Respect, Sharing, and Caring for Others

Respect is showing that you think someone or something is important. In the classroom, teachers have rules so that students show respect for classmates, teachers, and others who may be visiting. It is often appropriate to involve students in the rule-making process so that they have ownership in the classroom and a better understanding of how they can be respectful and caring toward others.

Cleanliness

Cleanliness is important for maintaining a healthy environment. Many illnesses can be prevented by frequently washing hands and wiping off surfaces that are commonly touched by others. In the classroom, teachers can encourage cleanliness by encouraging students to wash their hands, especially after using the restroom or before eating. Students should also be encouraged to cough / sneeze into their elbows or shoulders rather than their hands.

Activities The Five Curriculum Activities

SAFETY WARNING:

Before any activity, make sure your students do not have any allergies to items that you might use. Never use anything that is sharp or may cut a student. Do not use anything too hot or cold that might injure any student. Always have an adult supervise all activities to ensure the safety of your students.

Reading/Language Arts activity:

Ask students to write or tell a story about being respectful. Discuss with your students the meaning of the word “respect” and brainstorm a list of ways to show respect for others and their belongings.

Math activity:

In this book, Molly learns about showing respect for the flag. Use the handout to help students count the number of stars and stripes on the flag.

Science activity:

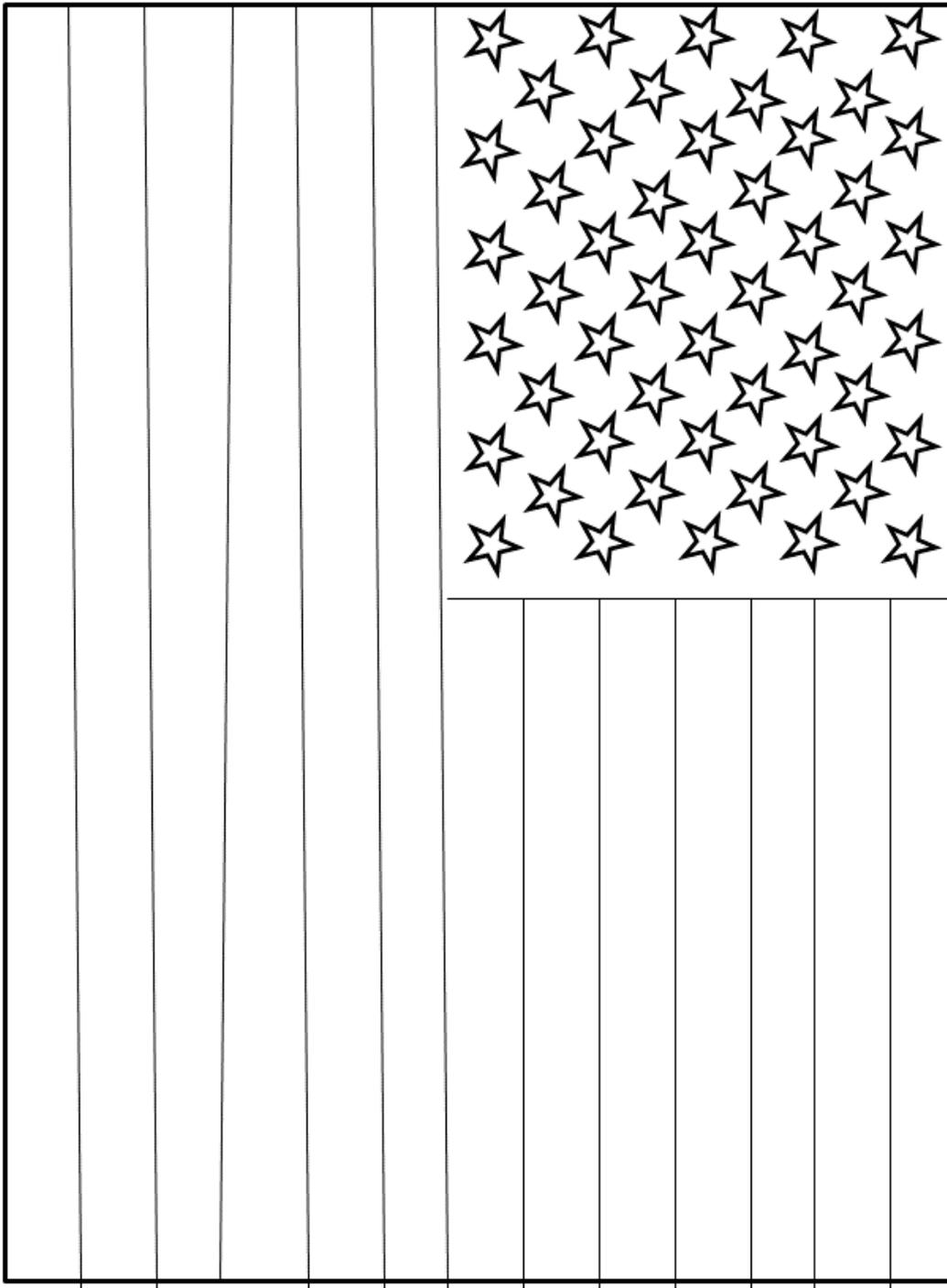
Molly and her troop are outside for the parade. Discuss with your class how they can be respectful to the wildlife outdoors when they are out playing. Create a pinecone bird feeder to hang for birds by spreading peanut butter on a pinecone and rolling it in small birdseed. Tie the top with string or ribbon for hanging.

Social Studies activity

The United States flag has fifty stars on it, representing each of our fifty states. The thirteen stripes represent the original thirteen colonies. Discuss these symbols with your students. You can show your students other examples of previous flags at <http://www.foundingfathers.info/American-flag/>.

Arts activity:

Color and cut out the American flag pattern on the handout. Glue it to a craft stick with a copy of the pledge of allegiance on the back.



The Pledge of Allegiance

I pledge allegiance to the flag
of the United States of America,
and to the republic, for which it
stands, one nation under God,
indivisible, with liberty and justice
for all.