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Lesson Plan/Activity

Play: Cooperation Community

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Objectives and Goals

Students will identify components of cooperation and community .

Students will identify their own roles in taking an active part to contribute as a cooperative community member in school and beyond school.

In addition students will practice reading, creative problem solving, public speaking, memorization, and role playing.

Anticipatory Set

Provide fact sheets, photos or brief video of people working together in a community from all walks of life and all different parts of the world.

Have students share what they see and feel from looking at the photos and/or video.

Direct Instruction

Brainstorm session getting ideas from all students about what they might do in their actions or words that model cooperation.

Several students will write ideas on a poster.

Brainstorm session getting ideas from all students about what they might do in their actions or words to work as a member of their community in their classroom, or school.

Several students will write ideas on a poster.

Students break into at least four groups. Two groups work on cooperation theme and two groups work on community theme.

Each group picks their favorite idea about from the brainstorm session on cooperation and community.

Each group elaborates on the idea by either making drawing, play, or a newscast about their chosen topic. Give students a time limit of 10 minutes to work on their presentation.

NOTE: Depending on your class schedule this could be a project over several days. Additionally, you can have some fun brainstorming about how you might elaborate on cooperation and community in other lessons and activities.!

Each group presents back to the rest of class.

Extending the Learning

Have students work to create a class mural that gives a message about cooperation and community. Ideally this is a project that can be worked on by small groups throughout a week or two so that the ideas may have time to grow and the students have adequate time to reflect.

Vocabulary

Community

Cooperation

Together

Work

Build

Village

Leaves

Medicine

Elders

Axes