

Character Counts

Lesson 1: Polished Stones – Pillars of Character

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Character Counts: The Six Pillars

At A Glance

Key Understanding: *Character is what determines how we behave, even when no one is looking.*



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Active Opening Activity – 10 minutes:

- Role of a ‘character’ in TV, Movie or story
- Stones/Rough Stones – Smooth Stones

Relating Activity to Responsibility / Character (Anchor)– 5 minutes

- Define ‘Character’
- How can you tell if someone has ‘good character’.
- Share examples to explain ‘character’.

Creating a Vision (Apply)– 15 minutes (Content Delivery)

- Present each of the six pillars
- Power point – optional
- Categorize characteristics of pillars.

Application and Reflection (Away)

Choice of:

- Six Pillar Play
- Six Pillar Collage
- Who Is Someone

•Summarize key point

➔A person’s character is shown by how they act, think, and feel in life. It isn’t just one thing, it’s the pattern by how you interact with others and how you treat yourself.

➔Character is about ‘doing the right thing’ even when no one is watching.

•Assessment

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OR

Scavenger Hunt or Six Pillars Puzzle

Bridge to Next Lesson: (2 minutes) preview topic: Trustworthiness

Lesson Details

- Time: 35 to 45 minutes

• Learners will:

- ✓Learn (identify) the six pillars of character
- ✓Understand what each of the pillars mean
- ✓Identify key words for each of each of the pillars

• Opening Activity:

Smooth Stones/Rough Stones

• Closing Activity

Polished Stones

• Materials and Supplies

- ✓Large pillars, cut out of art paper, in the following colors: Blue, Yellow, Green, Orange, Red, and Purple
- ✓Pillar cutouts
- ✓magazines, glue, scissors, markers (based on activity selected)

•Handouts:

(Based on activity selected)

- Six Pillar Play
- Six Pillar Collage
- Who Is Someone
- Character Scavenger Hunt
- Six Pillar Word Puzzle

•Teaching Aids

- ✓Access to projector if using power point
- ✓Example of a ‘character’ from TV, movie, book or game
- ✓Pillars of Character power point

