

CIVICS & GOVERNMENT

UNIT 4

KWL: Responsible Citizenship

Career Spotlight

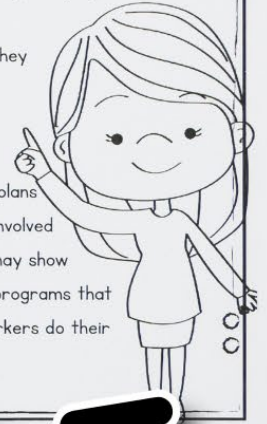
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Vocabulary Sort

Match the vocabulary

Community



Responsible



Citizen



Write a paragraph summarizing

Being responsible
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Quiz

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Responsible

RESPONSIBLE CITIZENSHIP

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and reinforce topics.



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KWL: Responsible Citizenship

Before beginning this unit, discuss what you already know about this topic. What do you hope to learn? At the end of the unit, fill in what you learned. Was your prior knowledge correct?

K.

What do you know about the meaning of being a responsible citizen?

It means saying sorry when you are wrong or if you hurt someone.

It means helping others.

W.

What do you want to learn about being a responsible citizen?

How can I be more responsible

Why should I be responsible

L.

What did you learn about responsible citizenship in this unit?

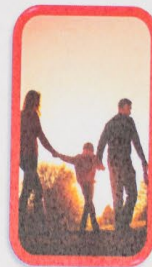
Our decisions help our community

Social workers help people solve problems

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What Does Responsible Mean?



Being responsible means
making good decisions, caring

Why Be Responsible?

Being responsible is a choice!
Sometimes it is a hard choice
because what we **want** to do isn't
always the **responsible** thing to do



When we face this hard choice, i

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Responsible



Citizen



Community



Being an Irresponsible Citizen

Being irresponsible is the opposite of being responsible. Being irresponsible can mean breaking rules or not caring about others.



Sometimes schools have important rules, such as "no running in the hallways." If citizens of that school choose to run in the hallways anyway, they are choosing to do something "irresponsible."

Irresponsibility and Community

Making irresponsible choices can impact you as an individual *and* your whole community!

school rule: no running in the hallways!

-This rule keeps students from running into each other, falling, or tripping. It keeps the whole school community physically safe.

-This rule keeps busy students in classrooms focused on their work, lessons, or test. It reduces noisy distractions, so the school community can learn.



Can you think of another reason why this school rule exists? How else does it help the school community?

Being a Responsible Citizen

People can be responsible citizens of their state by...

- ☐ following the laws
- ☐ caring about others
- ☐ being involved in their community

The citizens in this photo care about their community and the Earth!



These citizens are picking up litter outside.

Career Spotlight

Name _____

Date _____

Social Worker

1. What is the connection between social workers, citizens, and community?

Career Spotlight

Social

Every day, social workers help people who are struggling with various problems. They work with people who have mental health issues, people who are homeless, people who are addicted to drugs or alcohol, and people who are in need of help with their families. Social workers also work with the elderly, people with disabilities, and people who are struggling with substance abuse. They are often called to help with a wide range of issues, and they provide support and guidance to people who are in need. Social workers can also help people who are struggling with their families, and they can help people who are struggling with their education. They often work with people who are in need of help with their lives, and they provide support and guidance to people who are in need. Social workers are an important part of our community, and they help people who are struggling with various problems. They work with people who have mental health issues, people who are homeless, people who are addicted to drugs or alcohol, and people who are in need of help with their families. Social workers also work with the elderly, people with disabilities, and people who are struggling with substance abuse. They are often called to help with a wide range of issues, and they provide support and guidance to people who are in need. Social workers can also help people who are struggling with their families, and they can help people who are struggling with their education. They often work with people who are in need of help with their lives, and they provide support and guidance to people who are in need. Social workers are an important part of our community, and they help people who are struggling with various problems.

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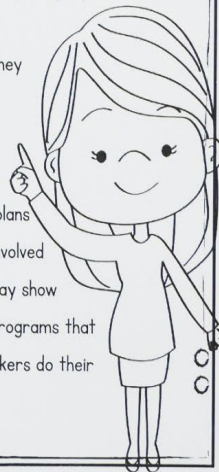
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Unit 4 Instructions

Time Commitment

This unit includes 7 days of lessons. It should take about thirty minutes for each social studies lessons.

This resource includes a Google Slides presentation. The presentation can easily be converted to PowerPoint. This presentation is meant to be used as a whole class presentation, rather than a student activity.



Click here to access the Google Slides Presentation.
Please Note: This presentation should be used in "Present" mode.

Unit 4: Responsible Citizenship

Preparation:

- Print the vocabulary cards, student books, and worksheets before beginning. Each student will need their own copy of the book and worksheets.
- Prepare your technology to present the presentation.

Day 1:

Tell students that this unit is about what it means to be a responsible citizen. We will be learning about what it means to be a responsible citizen, how to be a responsible citizen, and why we want to be a responsible citizen for our community. Show students the vocabulary cards to introduce key vocabulary words. Distribute the K.W.L. chart. Have students share what they know about being a responsible citizen. Discuss what students are wondering or want to know. Tell students that, at the end of this lesson, they will fill in what they learned.

Day 2:

Distribute the *Responsible Citizen* book. Tell students that you will be going through a presentation together and along the way, students will find clues to fill in their books.

Begin the presentation. Review the key vocabulary, and review through slide 6 (Why Be Responsible?). While you go through the presentation, students should fill in their books. Give them time to color the pictures, as well.

Day 3: Review the vocabulary. Complete the presentation slides 7-10 (Classroom Responsibility).

Day 4: Review the vocabulary. Complete the presentation slides 11-14 (Community Responsibility).

Day 5: Review the vocabulary. Complete the presentation slides 15-16 (Boys & Girls Club).

Day 6: Complete the vocabulary sort as a review. Introduce the career spotlight: social worker. Have students read the text and reflect on how social workers help the community and promote responsible actions.

Day 7: Give students the lesson quiz. Finally, work as a class to fill in the "L" portion of the K.W.L.

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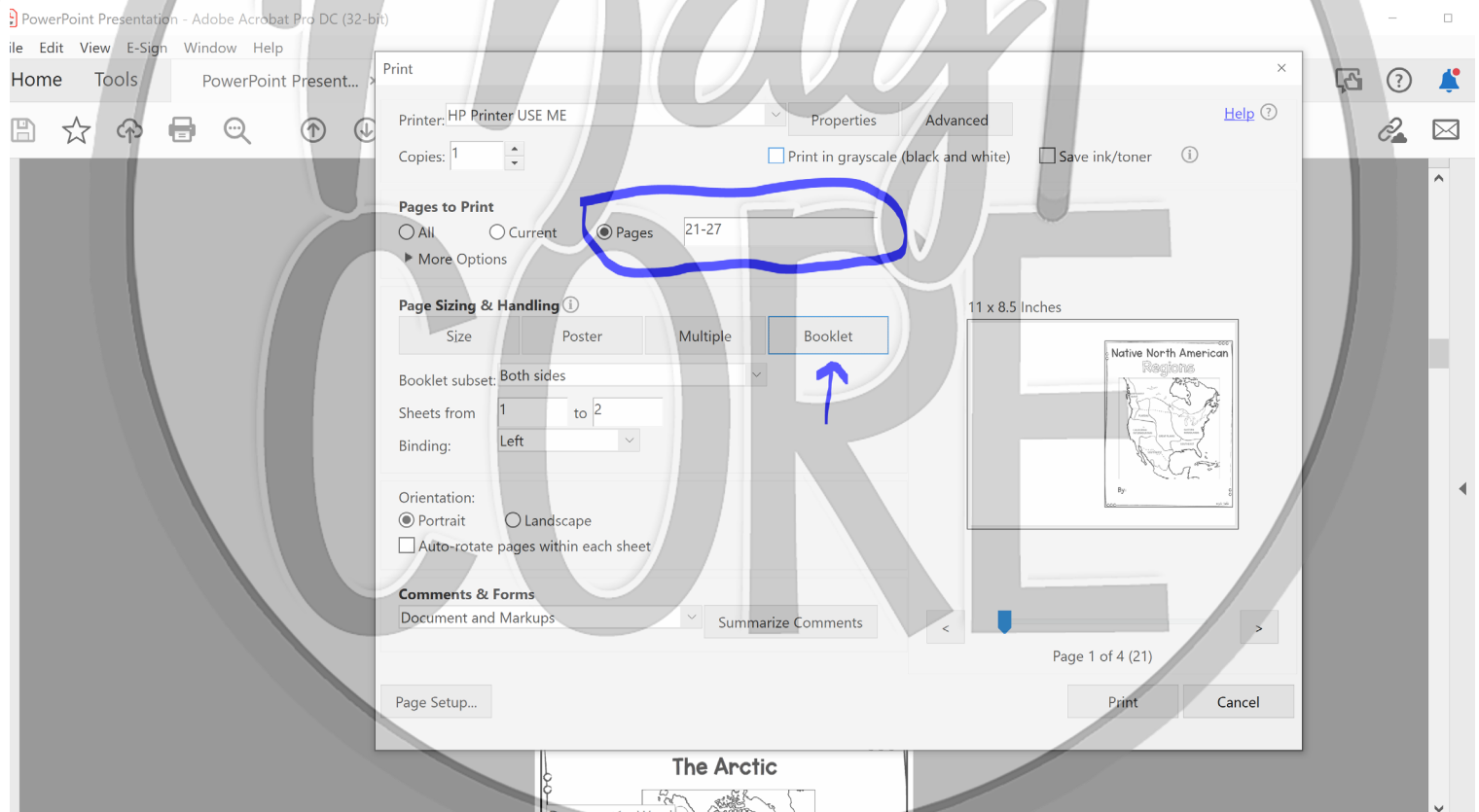
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How to Print Booklet

Under the print menu, select the pages you would like to print. Check the “booklet” option. If you prefer, you can also print “Multiple” and print 4 pages per page. Select if you would like to print double or single-sided.

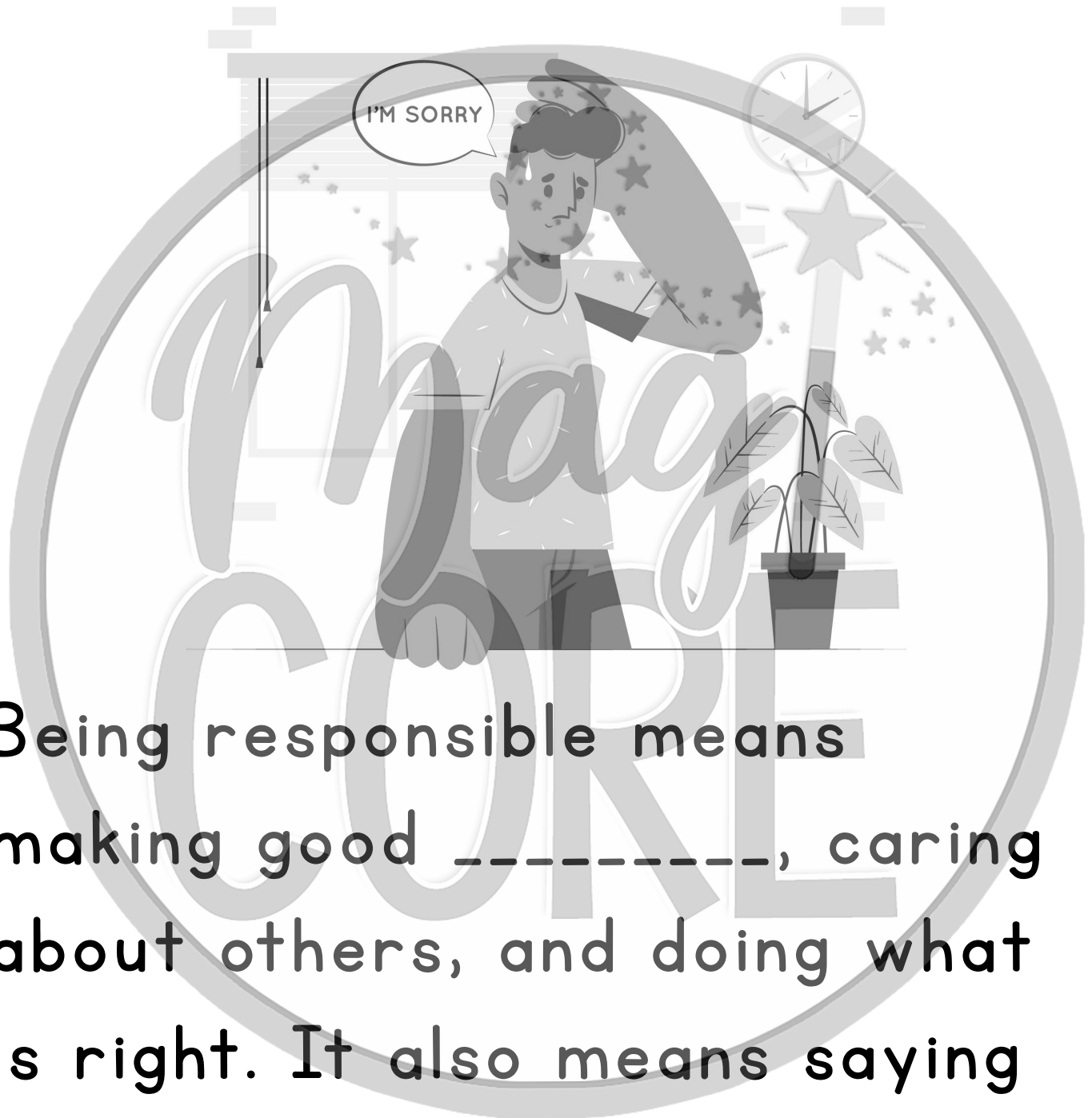


Responsible Citizenship



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What Does Responsible Mean?



Being responsible means making good -----, caring about others, and doing what is right. It also means saying ----- when you've hurt someone or something.

Why Be Responsible?

Being responsible is a -----!

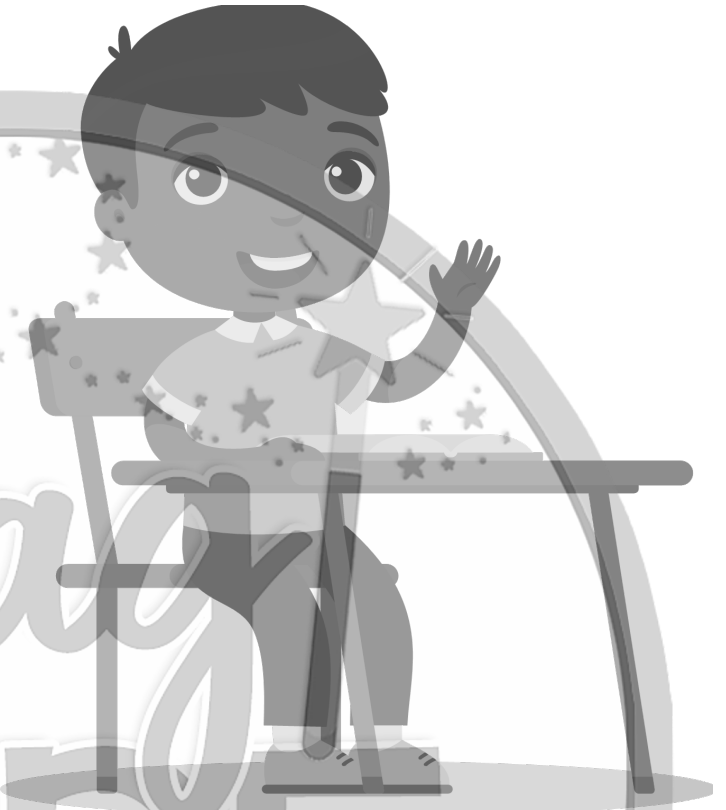
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When we face this hard choice, it
can help to think about our
----- We can ask
ourselves how our decision(s) will
affect our community.

Being a Responsible Citizen

Students can
be responsible
citizens of their
classrooms by:



☐ waiting for _____

☐ using an inside voice

☐ helping their _____

Irresponsibility and Community

Being irresponsible impacts -----
and your whole -----.

1. How does a “no running” school rule help keep students safe?

2. What other school rule helps keep students safe?

Being a Responsible Citizen



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☐ _____

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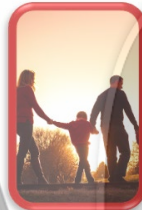
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a member of a
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Citizen



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Write a paragraph summarizing this unit. Use each of the vocabulary words.

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Read Along: What If Everybody Did That?

Read along with the book *What If Everybody Did That?* by Ellen Javernick.



1. What kinds of actions is the narrator of the story doing every time someone asks him, "What if everybody did that?"

2. What does the question, "what if everybody did that?" make the narrator think about? Is that question something he should think about before or after making a decision?

3. The story explores several "irresponsible" decisions and the effect those decisions have on the community. How is the last decision the narrator makes different?

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Social workers are found in different settings. They work in hospitals. They may help people return home after a hospital stay. They organize services such as home health care or support groups. Schools need social workers, too. Social workers in schools develop plans to help students do better. Social workers are often involved with charities and government groups, as well. They may show charities what a community needs. They also create programs that benefit vulnerable people. No matter where social workers do their jobs, they always seek to help others.



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Fill in the cause-and-effect relationships using what you learned about being a responsible citizen.

Cause



Effect

Everyone in the classroom community can get their schoolwork done without interruptions.

Cause

The woman makes sure to follow all traffic rules while driving.



Effect

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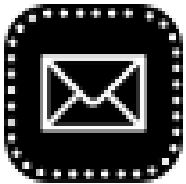
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