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OCTOBER

Conflict Resolution

Lessons:

- K-1 *Trick or Treat*
- 2-3 *"Discovering" Conflict Resolution*
- 4-5 *Bones of Contention*



ASCA Standards for October:

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ACADEMIC DEVELOPMENT

Standard A: Students will acquire the attitudes, knowledge and skills that contribute to effective learning in school and across the life span.

A:A3 Achieve School Success

A:A3.1 Take responsibility for their actions

PERSONAL/SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

Standard A: Students will acquire the knowledge, attitudes and interpersonal skills to help them understand and respect self and others.

PS:A1 Acquire Self-Knowledge

PS:A1.5 Identify and express feelings

PS:A1.6 Distinguish between appropriate and inappropriate behavior

PS:A1.8 Understand the need for self-control and how to practice it

Standard B: Students will make decisions, set goals and take necessary action to achieve goals.

PS:B1 Self-Knowledge Application

PS:B1.4 Develop effective coping skills for dealing with problems

PROBLEMS AND CONSEQUENCES: Bones of Contention

REACTION
FEELING

REACTION
FEELING

REACTION
FEELING

RETALIATION
FEELING

RETALIATION
FEELING

RETALIATION
FEELING

RETALIATION
CONSEQUENCE

RETALIATION
CONSEQUENCE

RETALIATION
CONSEQUENCE

A POSITIVE RESOLUTION!

Light Up the New Year

Purpose:

To have students practice making responsible decisions as they make New Year's Resolutions

Materials Needed:

For the Leader:

- Board, flip chart, or Interactive White Board (IWB) to write on

For each student:

- Light Up Your New Year* (page 73 or CD)
- Pencil

Lesson Preparation: PRODUCTS, INC.

Using *Light Up Your New Year* as a guide, draw a simple version of the activity sheet on the board/chart paper or display the *Light Up Your New Year.pdf* on an IWB.)

Gather any other necessary materials.

Procedure:

Begin the lesson by asking the students:

We are beginning a new year. Many people like to make New Year's resolutions. A New Year's resolution is a promise to improve something about yourself or do something nice for others. What are some things you plan to improve on in (YEAR)? (grades, relationships, behavior, etc.)

Who or what can help you accomplish this goal? (admitting there's something that needs improvement, making a plan to reach your goal, asking someone to help you reach your goal, etc.)

Give each student a copy of *Light Up Your New Year* and (if necessary) a pencil. Then say:

I will ask you to write on your *Light Up the New Year* activity sheet three goals for self-improvement. I will then ask you to think of someone or something



Cupid's Arrow ♥ Situation Card

**You hate your haircut.
When you go to school,
some kids make fun of it.**

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Cupid's Arrow ♥ Situation Card

**Your painting didn't
win the art contest.**

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Cupid's Arrow ♥ Situation Card

**You make a mistake when
reading outloud in class.
Some of the kids start to laugh.**

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**You are drawing a picture.
A classmate grabs it, holds it up,
and makes fun of your drawing.**

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Cupid's Arrow ♥ Situation Card

**A kid grabs a letter the teacher
has written to your parents and
reads it out loud on the school bus.**

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Cupid's Arrow ♥ Situation Card

**You share a family secret
with your best friend.
Your best friend tells your secret to
someone who tells the other kids.**

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Cupid's Arrow ♥ Situation Card

Someone hides your lunch.

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Cupid's Arrow ♥ Situation Card

**When you turn in your homework,
the teacher says you
completed the wrong assignment.**

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**At recess, your best friend ignores you
and plays with other kids.**

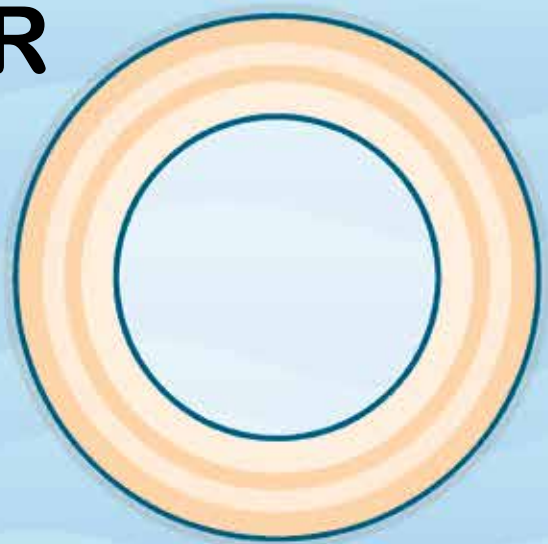
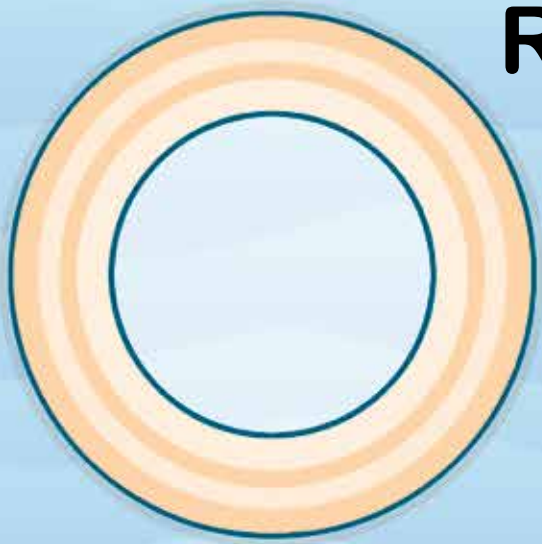
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Cupid's Arrow ♥ Situation Card

**Someone leaves a present on your desk.
When you open it,
the box is filled with mud and dirt.**

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Goals RIVER



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Step 1

Step 2

Step 3

Step 4