



Kids at Hope

Online Treasure Chest Submission

This activity is from a project known as the Kids at Hope Tool Kit.

Name of Activity/Idea: Kids at Hope Pledge – Pledge Lesson (Language)

Audience (staff, children ages/grades, parents, etc.): students grades 1 & 2

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Objective: The students will circle adjectives and generate synonyms for the adjectives that could be used in the pledge.

Time Required: one lesson

Resources/Materials:

- Kids at Hope Pledge for each student
- Optional large Kids at Hope Pledge

Procedure:

1. Recite the Kids at Hope Pledge as a class while reading along with the words.
2. In small groups, have the students find the adjectives in each of the sentences.
3. Model drawing a line from the adjective to the noun that the adjective is describing.
4. In partners or small groups, students generate a list of adjectives that could replace the given adjective. For instance, instead of smart, the students could write intelligent, brilliant, bright, etc,
5. Reread the pledge as a class and stop at each adjective in the pledge. Students share their synonyms with the class, and have a class discussion on why the word in the pledge is the very best word!

CLOSURE: Why do you think the authors of the Kids at Hope Pledge picked the words talented and smart?

Possible Assessments:

Students meet the objective if they are able to:

- ✓ Find the adjectives in the pledge
- ✓ Generate at least one synonym for the adjective
- ✓ Draw a line from the adjective to the verb it describes (2nd)

Standards:

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.L.1.1.F

Use frequently occurring adjectives

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.L.2.1.E

Use adjectives and adverbs, and choose between them depending on what is to be modified

Variations:

- Repeat the same activity using nouns or verbs.
- Students pick which of their synonyms they think best match the meaning of the words.
- Students rewrite the pledge using their own words.
- Students pick out the words that are the most meaningful to them, and write why they think they are the best words in the Kids at Hope Pledge.

Kids at Hope Connections: Pledge

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