Character and Life Skills: Courtesy Pre-Viewing and Discussion Questions Grade Level: 3-5



Before watching...

Pre-viewing activities or discussions help focus attention when watching a video and build critical thinking skills. Consider demonstrating overly-courteous behaviors and asking for volunteers to demonstrate a courteous phrase or action.

After Watching...

Discussion Questions

- **1.** The kids say courtesy is "being nice when you're talking" and "being polite" and "using good table manners." How do you define courtesy?
- 2. What are good table manners? What does it mean to be polite? How are these acts of courtesy?
- **3.** One boy talks about how people used to show courtesy by pulling a chair out for a lady, and how he now opens doors for his mother. Another girl says that you can do chores without being asked. What simple actions do you do to show courtesy for others?
- **4.** One girl talks about how she saw a tall man reach up and get something off a high shelf for a shorter lady once. What acts of courtesy have you witnessed?
- 5. One boy talks about how it makes him feel really good when he's new to a situation and somebody comes up to him and asks him to join in. What acts of courtesy like this have you experienced? How did they make you feel?
- 6. Why should we be courteous to each other?

Teacher Notes