

Children's Literature Tools for Teaching School-Wide Expectations and Rules



General Expectations, Rules, Social Skills

Three Little Kittens

The Ants and the Grasshopper

Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendek

The Empty Pot

The Littlest Mermaid

The True Story of the Three Little Pigs by Jon Scieszka

Please by Alicia Aspinwall

Officer Buckle and Gloria by Peggy Rathman

Anansi the Spider by Gerald McDermott

The Grouchy Ladybug

Stellaluna by Janell Cannon

The Rainbow Tulip by Pat Mora

The Crayon Box That Talked by Shane Derolf

Curious George Visits The Police Station

The Little Red Hen

The Rainbow Fish by Marcus Phister

Dependability

The following books illustrate being able to count on, depend on, and trust.

- Blake, Olive. **Mystery of the Lost Letter.**
- Mahy, M. **The Seven Chinese Brothers**
- Scarry, Richard. **Richard Scarry's Busiest People Ever**
- Smith, Dennis. **The Little Fire Engine That Saved a City.**

Cooperation

The following books are good examples of working together for a common purpose:

- Berson, Harold. **Pop Goes the Turnip**
- Brenner, Barbara, **Mr. Tall and Mr. Small**
- Brett, Jan. **Berlioz the Bear**
- Brown, Marcia Wise. **Stone Soup**
- Ernst, Lisa Campbell. **Zinna and Dot**
- Evans. **A Bundle of Sticks**
- Galdone, Paul. **The Little Red Hen**
- Hoban, Lillian. **A Bargain for Frances**
- Lionni, Leo. **Swimmy**
- Lord, John Vernon. **The Giant Jam Sandwich**
- Mitchell, Margarie King. **Uncle Jed's Barbershop**
- Silverman, Erica. **The Big Pumpkin**

Honesty

The following books are good examples of being truthful and fair:

- Aesop, **The Boy Who Cried Wolf**
- Alexander, Lloyd, **The Truthful Harp**
- Avi, **Nothing But the Truth**
- Bauer, Marion Dane, **On My Honor**
- Brown, Marc., **The True Francine**
- Bunting, Eve, **A Day of Work**
- Calmenson, Stephanie, **The Principal's New Clothes**
- Choroao, Kay, **Molly's Lies**
- Cole, Joanna, **The Secret Box**
- Coleman, H.C., **Tell Me No Lies**
- Collodi, Carlo, **Pinocchio**
- Demi, **The Empty Pot**
- Girion, Barbara, **Misty and Me**

- Havill, Juanita, **Jamaica's Find**
- Hoban, Russell, **A Bargain for Frances**
- Hughes, Dean., **Honestly, Myron**
- Ness, Evaline, **Sam, Bangs, and Moonshine**
- Turkle, Brinton, **The Adventures of Obadiah**
- Weinman, Marjorie, **A Big Fat Enormous Lie**
- White, E.B., **The Trumpet of the Swan**
- Wylie, J. & D., **A Big Fish Story**

Respect

The following books illustrate either respect for others or respect for oneself.

- Butterworth, William. **Leroy and the Old Man**
- Byars, Betsy. **The House of Wings**
- Cohen. **No Good in Art**
- MacLachlan, Patricia. **Sarah Plain and Tall**
- Mathis, Sharon Bell. **The Hundred Penny Box**
- Rathman. **Ruby the Copy Cat.**
- Stone. **I'm Glad I'm Me**
- Talley. **Clarissa**

Responsibility

The following books illustrate being able to count on, depend on, and trust.

- Abolafia, Yossi.. **Harry in Trouble.**
- Brown, Marc. **Arthur's Pet Business**
- Dahlstedt. **The Terrible Wave**
- Day, A. **Frank and Ernest.**
- Gardiner, John. **Stone Fox**
- Green, Norma. **The Hole in the Dike**
- Hoban, Lillian. **Awful Thursday**
- Wells, Rosemary. **Fritz and the Mess Fairy**

School Pride

The following books are good discussion starters for showing proper delight or satisfaction in your school's achievements and status:

- Allard, Harry. **Miss Nelson is Missing**
- Cazet, Dennis. **Never Spit on Your Shoes**
- Deedy, Carmen. **Library Dragon**
- Seuss, Dr., **Hooray for Diffendoofer Day!**

Self-Control

The following books are good examples of controlling your actions and emotions

- Aesop. **The Boy and the Nuts**
- ____. **The Fox and the Crow**
- ____. **The Frogs at the Well**
- ____. **The Goose That Laid the Golden Egg.**
- Gaeddert, LouAnn. **Noisy Nancy Norris**
- Gilbert, Nan. **Champions Don't Cry.**

Punctuality

The following books are good examples of being prompt and acting at the right time:

- Allen, Jeffrey. **Mary Alice, Operator Number 9**
- Boyd, Selma. **I Met a Polar Bear**
- Burningham, John. **John Patrick Norman McHennessy -- the Boy Who was Always Late**
- Friedrich, Priscilla. **The Easter Bunny That Overslept**
- Grossman, Bill. **The Guy Who Was Five Minutes Late.**

- Hoban, Lillian. **Bedtime for Frances**
- Hoff, Sid. **Henrietta, the Early Bird**
- Sewell, Marcia and Phyllis Krasilovsky. **The Man Who Tried to Save Time**

Fairness

The following books are good examples of being fair and just:

- Berenstain, Stan & Jan. **The Berenstain Bears and the Slumber Party.**
- --. **The B. B. and the Truth.**
- --. **The B. B. Go out for the Team.**
- Blume, Judy. **Pain and the Great One.**
- Christian, Mary. **The Green Thumb Thief.**
- Clymer. **My Brother Steve.**
- Cohen, Marion. **Bee My Valentine.**
- Cosgrove, Stephen. **Sniffles.**
- Demi, **The Empty Pot.**
- Foreman, Michael. **Moose.**
- Fritz, Jean. **The Cabin Faced West.**
- Lewis, C. S. **The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe.**
- McGuire, Leslie. **This Farm is a Mess.**
- O'Brien, Robert. **Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH.**
- Peck, Robert N. **Soup**
- --. **Soup and Me.**
- Pfeffer, Susan. **Kid Power.**
- Pinkwater, Daniel. **The Big Orange Splot.**
- Rockwell, Thomas. **How to Eat Fried Worms.**
- Seuss, Dr. **The 500 Hats of Bartholomew Cubbins.**
- --. **The Lorax.**
- Siiteri, Helen. **Adventures of Nicolas.**
- Viorst, Judith. **Alexander, who Used to Be Rich Last Sunday.**
- Ward, Lynd. **The Biggest Bear.**

Patience

The following books are good examples of demonstrating waiting calmly without complaining.

- Erickson, Karen. **Waiting my Turn**
- Etz. **Play With Me.**
- Kibby, Marsha **My Grammy**
- Kraus, Robert. **The Carrot Seed**
- de Larrea, Victoria, **Waiting for Mama**
- Rounds, Glen. **The Blind Colt.**
- Seuss, Dr. **Horton Hatches the Egg**
- Steiner, Charlotte. **What's the Hurry, Harry?**
- Weiss, Nicki. **Waiting**
- Wells, Rosemary. **Max's Breakfast**

Kindness

The following books are good examples of being friendly, considerate, and willing to help others:

- Bang, Molly. **The Paper Crane**
- Brett, Jan. **The Wild Christmas Reindeer**
- Cazet, Denys. **A Fish in his Pocket**
- Cole, Brock. **The King at the Door**
- Fleischman, Sid. **The Scarebird.**
- Heyward, Du Bose. **The Country bunny and the Little Gold Shoes.**
- Rylant, Cynthia. **Silver Packages: An Appalachian Christmas Story**
- San Souci, Robert D. **The Talking Eggs.**
- Seuss, Dr. **Horton Hears a Who!**
- Steptoe, John. **Murfaro's Beautiful Daughters.**
- Witcher, Susan. **Moonfall**
- Zolotow, Charlotte. **I Know A Lady.**