

Caring

CARING means to be nice to another.

CARING means being supportive and responsive to the needs of others with kindness and compassion.

LESSON 1

Introduce **CARING** as a quality of good character. Read the meaning of caring. Emphasize that a caring person is charitable. Explain that “charitable” means to give time, support, and comfort to another person without expecting anything in return. Write the heading **People in Need** on the board. Instruct students to copy the heading from the board and list 3-5 people who may need time, support, or comfort. Remind students to use capital letters when writing a person’s name and to write legibly. As time allows, have students describe something they could do for those listed.

School/Home Link - Tell students to discuss the people on the class list with a family member and discuss ways they can be charitable.

LESSON 2

Read the meaning of **CARING**. Emphasize that a caring person is a person who is charitable. Ask students to recall what charitable means (to give time, support, and comfort to another person without expecting anything in return). Have students brainstorm to develop a list of organizations that help support people in the time of need such as: church groups, Red Cross, United Way, YMCA, etc. Remind students to use capital letters when writing the name of an organization and to write legibly. As time allows, ask students to describe what specific services each organization offers.

School/Home Link - Tell students to read the list of charitable organizations to a family member and discuss how each organization helps people.

LESSON 3

Read the meaning of **CARING**. Emphasize that a caring person is a person who is kind. Write the word “caring” on the board and draw a circle around it. Extend lines out from it and write words such as gentle, tender, considerate, good, etc. on each line to create a word web (graphic organizer.) Invite students to choose a word from the word web and use it orally in a sentence. Remind students to speak clearly.

School/Home Link - Tell students to discuss with a family member ways to show caring at home and at school.

LESSON 4

Review the meaning of **CARING**. Emphasize that a caring person is a person who shares with others. Explain that a smile is a nice thing to share with someone. Invite students to tell what makes them smile. Remind the students to speak clearly. Record 3-4 responses under the heading: **Things That Make Me Smile**. As time allows ask students to copy the list to take home.

School/Home Link - Tell students to show the list to a family member and ask him or her to add to the list.

LESSON 5

Review the meaning of **CARING**. Emphasize that a caring person is kind and considerate. Ask the students to write 2-3 sentences describing a caring thing they did for someone this week. Remind students to use resources (dictionary, glossary, thesaurus) if needed, and to write legibly. As time allows, have students read their sentences to another classmate.

School/Home Link - Tell students to read the sentences written in class to a family member and ask him or her to write one as well.