Subject: Social Studies

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Topic: Conflict Within Social Group

Subtopics:

i. Causes of Conflict

ii. Effects of Conflict

iii. Steps in Conflict Resolution

© Lesson Objectives

By the end of this lesson, students should be able to:

- 1. Define conflict and explain what it means within a group.
- 2. Identify common causes of conflict in social groups.
- 3. Discuss the effects of conflict on group members.
- 4. Outline the steps involved in resolving conflicts peacefully.

I. Meaning of Conflict Within Social Group

Conflict refers to disagreement, misunderstanding, or clash of interests, opinions, or goals between two or more people in a group.

Conflict within a social group occurs when members disagree over issues such as leadership, duties, or resources, and it disrupts peace and cooperation within the group.

II. Causes of Conflict

Common causes include:

- Misunderstanding and miscommunication
- Jealousy or rivalry

- Lack of cooperation
- Unfair treatment or favoritism
- Greed and selfishness
- Competition for leadership or power
- Disobedience to group rules

>> III. Effects of Conflict

Negative effects:

- Break in friendship and cooperation
- Hatred and fighting
- Distrust among members
- Delay in achieving group goals
- Suspension or expulsion from the group
- Violence or destruction of property

Positive effects (if well managed):

- Can lead to better understanding
- May bring improvement and correction of errors
- Encourages peaceful dialogue and negotiation

X IV. Steps in Conflict Resolution

To resolve conflicts peacefully, the following steps are helpful:

- 1. Identify the cause of the conflict
- 2. Bring both parties together
- 3. Listen to both sides without bias
- 4. Encourage apologies and forgiveness
- 5. Find a compromise or agreement

- 6. Ensure both parties follow the agreement
- 7. Report serious conflicts to higher authorities or elders