

YOUNG MASTER CHALLENGE

ENGLISH COMPETITION

HONEYBEE & BUMBLEBEE FOCUS VALUE: PERSEVERANCE

Classroom Activity: "Perseverance in Action"

Objective:

- To help students understand the importance of perseverance and develop strategies to overcome challenges.
- To promote a growth mindset and foster resilience in the face of obstacles.

Materials:

- Whiteboard or chalkboard
- Markers or chalk
- Sticky notes
- Printed inspirational quotes
- Internet access for research (optional)

Duration: 60-90 minutes

Instructions:

Introduction (15 minutes):

1. Begin the lesson by discussing the meaning of perseverance with your students. Ask them if they have heard of the term before and what it means to them.
2. Explain that perseverance is the ability to persist and overcome difficulties, setbacks, and challenges. It's an important trait for success in school and life.

Activity 1: Famous Perseverance Stories (20 minutes):

1. Divide the class into small groups or pairs.
2. Provide each group with a list of famous individuals who have shown great perseverance in their lives (e.g., Thomas Edison, J.K. Rowling, Nelson Mandela, Malala Yousafzai).
3. Instruct the groups to choose one person from the list and research their story, focusing on the challenges they faced and how they persevered to achieve their goals.
4. Each group should prepare a short presentation to share the story of their chosen person with the class, highlighting key moments of perseverance.

Activity 2: Perseverance Discussion (15 minutes):

1. After the presentations, hold a class discussion. Ask students to reflect on what they learned from the stories and how they can apply the lessons of perseverance to their own lives.
2. Write key points from the discussion on the board for future reference.

Activity 3: Perseverance Pledge (15 minutes):

1. Provide each student with a sticky note.
2. Ask them to write down one challenge or goal they are currently facing or working toward.
3. Instruct them to also write down a specific action they can take to persevere in the face of this challenge.
4. Have students share their challenges and actions with the class if they are comfortable doing so.

Activity 4: Inspirational Quote Gallery (10 minutes):

1. Display a gallery of printed inspirational quotes related to perseverance around the classroom.
2. Instruct each student to select a quote that resonates with them and write it on their sticky note.
3. Ask students to place their sticky notes next to their pledge on a dedicated section of the wall or bulletin board.

Conclusion and Homework (5 minutes):

1. Summarize the key points of the lesson and the importance of perseverance.
2. Assign a short homework task: Ask students to keep a journal for a week, where they record instances where they demonstrated perseverance or faced challenges.
3. Encourage them to reflect on these experiences and consider how they can apply the lessons of perseverance in their daily lives.

Follow-up (optional): In the following class, you can discuss the journal entries and share more examples of perseverance in the news or literature. This reinforces the concept and helps students relate it to real-life situations.

This classroom activity is designed to engage students in discussions and activities that promote perseverance and a growth mindset. It encourages them to explore the concept of perseverance through real-life examples, self-reflection, and inspirational quotes.