

Curriculum Parent Overview (Grade 2)

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

UNIT # 2: Honesty (8 weeks)

ESSENTIAL QUESTION: Is honesty always the best policy?

UNIT SUMMARY:

In this unit, students will explore the idea of honesty, and if honesty is important. If it is important, why do we think so? Students will learn about situations where honesty was the right policy.

ESSENTIAL UNDERSTANDINGS:

Students will understand / figure out that, while honesty is important, there are sometimes reasons that telling a lie makes sense. Students will understand that, at times, there are reasons that people are untruthful, as it might protect someone, create a greater good, or serve a bigger purpose. Students will be open-minded to the actions and intentions of others and be able to talk through and possibly justify why a lie in certain situations is understandable.

ATTITUDES - STUDENTS WILL BE

- Curious
- Open-minded
- Respectful to others
- Willing to see things from different perspectives
- Understanding of the world around them

SKILLS - STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO...

- Identify the lesson of a text
- Discuss a character's point of view
- Reason why a character or person might tell a lie
- Justify whether or not the lie was for the greater good
- Communicate their thinking and opinion
- Provide reasons

KNOW- STUDENTS WILL KNOW (VOCABULARY)...

- Honest
- Truth
- Value\
- Influence
- Outcome
- Character

THINGS TO TALK ABOUT...

- Why is honesty important?
- Why does honesty matter?

- Who does honesty impact?
- Is it ever ok to tell a lie?