

# **QUICK CURRICULUM TIPS**

## **One Can Count**

(Grades 4-8)
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Vocabulary is Key!

Ask the students what they think these 7 words mean and how would they describe them to a younger child. These definitions and quotes may help you get the discussion started:

LEADERSHIP • RESPECT • KINDNESS • EMPATHY •

APPRECIATION • COURAGE • FRIENDSHIP

LEADERSHIP: Striving to do your best so that others will follow.

#### **Quote on Leadership:**

"In the end, we will remember not the words of our enemies but the silence of our friends." – Martin Luther King, Jr.

**RESPECT:** Treating others the way you would like to be treated.

**Quote on Respect:** 

The Golden Rule: "Do Unto Others As You Would Have Them Do Unto You."

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## **KINDNESS:** Showing genuine concern for others.

#### **Quote on Kindness:**

"No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted." -- Aesop

**EMPATHY:** Understanding another person's feelings.

#### **Quote on Empathy:**

"Learning to stand in somebody else's shoes, to see through their eyes, that's how peace begins. And it's up to you to make that happen." -- President Barack Obama

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## **APPRECIATION:** Seeing the value in something or someone. Being grateful.

"Appreciation is a wonderful thing. It makes what is excellent in others belong to us as well." -- Voltaire

**COURAGE:** The ability to do something that you know is right or good even though it is difficult.

#### **Quote on Courage:**

"Courage is what it takes to stand up and speak, courage is also what it takes to sit down and listen." – Winston Churchill

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FRIENDSHIP: Someone who knows you and wants the best for you. Someone you can count on.

#### **Quote on Friendship:**

"Good friends are like stars...you don't always see them but you know they are always there." -- Anonymous

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# Classroom Assignment Ideas For Grades 4 and Above

- Writing: What is the theme of **ONE**? Pick one of the words above and explain what you think it means in a paragraph. Describe how that word plays a role in the theme of ONE.
- Work in groups or individually and come up with a list of 5 traits that make people leaders. Think of a good example of a positive leader and write clues about this person. Have the rest of the class guess who it is based on the clues.
- Spelling: Use these words as part of a spelling test for extra credit.
- Class Discussion around above quotes: Who is Martin Luther King, Jr.? Who is Aesop? Who is Voltaire? Who is Winston Churchill? What does Anonymous mean?
- Ask students to write their own quotes.
- Think of words that are not on this list. Define them and explain why they should be on the list. (Example: peacekeeper)

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