

Unit 2: Helpfulness

Song

Good Deed Kid



CD Track 3

Performance:
Track 13

Goal

Students will recognize acts of helpfulness and will take responsibility for their classroom by volunteering to complete set-up, clean-up and other necessary “jobs.”

Lesson

After listening to the song, discuss and list different ways to be helpful. Remind the students they are being “Good Deed Kids” when they are kind and helpful to animals and the environment, as well as to people.

Activity 1

Continue the discussion emphasizing responsibility as an important aspect of helping. Have your students list jobs that need to be performed in the classroom throughout the year and then fill out the reproducible job chart, found on page 18, together. To reinforce the concepts of helpfulness and responsibility, use the chart as a sign-up sheet so the students can volunteer for specific tasks.

Activity 2

Create a “Good Deed Kid” notebook that may be sent home with a different student each week. Have the parents write a few sentences about their child or list the helpful things they do at home or in their neighborhood. You may then share these things with the class each week, each month, or any other appropriate time.

The Curriculum Connection

Math Extension

Suggest to the class that they become “Good Deed Detectives” and search out good deeds done by themselves or others 1) at home, 2) at school and 3) in the community.

If classroom space allows, this can be a continuous and fun activity where students are encouraged to bring in new deeds that can be added to the list. They will love how filled the space can get with good deeds. If there is no wall space available, make paper chains and add additional links as good deed reports come in. Graph and compare the good deeds that occur most often.

Social Studies Extension

Being “Good Deed Detectives,” have students search for current-event articles in magazines, newspapers or online that emphasize positive events.



Movement Suggestions

Lyrics	Movement
Who's that kid ridin' down our street?	Point to the left with right hand, move hand across to right
That's the kind of person we'd all like to meet.	Hands on knees; bounce slightly
With a backpack on her shoulder and a glint in her eye,	Stop bouncing. Hands on knees
ev'rybody knew she was itchin' to try	Stand up straight
to help anyone in need,	Turn right to neighbor
with a kind word and a hug,	Turn left to neighbor
or just a good deed.	Look to audience and nod
The Good Deed Kid is here to stay, doin' good deeds each and every day.	
Listen close, you can hear her say,	Hands on knees
"Helpin' people out is the only way!"	Stand with hands on hips
Hey now! Here she comes; the Good Deed Kid.	Right index finger taps right side of head and then slightly point to audience
Got off her bike; there was quite a sight.	Everyone slap right thigh
Over there were kids who were having a fight.	Bob head as slowly turn to face stage right
Yellin' over who they were gonna leave out,	Several students at stage right make angry gestures
the kid said, "Howdy partners! What's this all about?"	
Don't just stand and fight! Try to be polite, and do what is right.	Good Deed Kid puts arms around other students' shoulders
Chorus	Repeat as above
The kids all laughed as they traded high fives.	Students high five
The sun went down on the neighborhood drive.	Good Deed Kid crosses to stage left
Then she saw something that stopped her dead in her tracks.	Sees student (mom with shopping bags) and suddenly stops
Her mom was loaded down with grocery sacks.	

“Don’t do that alone. Let me carry those, those heavy bags home.”	Good Deed Kid takes bags and the two exit
Chorus	Repeat as above
She carried the bags up the long front steps, then picked up toys she’d forgotten and left.	Good Deed Kid enters stage left Pick up toys, clothes, etc.
There were still jobs waiting that had to get done, but she didn’t mind; helping can be fun.	
Our friend had quite a day. She helped along the way, and heard the people say,	
“Who was that kid ridin’ down the street?	Point to the left with right hand, move hand across to right
The kind of person we’d all like to meet.”	Hands on knees; bounce slightly
It’s the Good Deed Kid, and that could be you,	Everyone stand up and point to audience
if you’re thoughtful, helpful, kind, and true.	Hands by side, divide words into small groups of singers; all speak “and true”
Hey now! Here you come!	
You’re the Good Deed Kid. You’re the Good Deed Kid.	Point to audience
I’m the Good Deed Kid.	Bring both thumbs into chest held high with pride.

