

# Integrity



**Sub-Concepts Covered: Perseverance, Kindness**

Kindness in the Classroom lessons teach kindness skills through a step-by step framework of Inspire, Empower, Act, Reflect and Share. Each lesson starts with the 'share' step to reinforce learning from previous lessons. The 'act' piece is woven into the lessons but really takes place in the projects.

This unit is the fourth of our six unit series.. This can be a very difficult concept for young children, so it is introduced very gently. We will also explore strategies on how to make honest choices and persevere through difficult times. This unit falls on the heels of respect, caring, and inclusiveness, so the students have an excellent foundation from which to build on. Exploring honesty and perseverance naturally promotes an additional level of kindness within your classroom.

## Unit Objective

Students will:

- Review respect, caring, inclusiveness, and kindness.
- Define honesty.
- Practice using kindness and respect to develop honest actions in difficult situations.
- Work as a team to do what is right and kind in all situations.

## Student Introduction

We've made it to the Integrity Unit! This is an advanced word that connects back to honesty and always telling the truth, even when others aren't around. We will also use honesty and integrity to try our hardest, even when something seems too tough and we would rather give up! Let's explore how honesty and integrity can help us add even more kindness to our classroom!

## Unit Lessons

Lesson Title	Lesson Objectives	Materials Required
<b>Lesson 1</b> Honesty is the Best Policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Utilize caring and kindness to develop honest alternatives to deceptive actions.</li> <li>Practice showing honesty in social situations.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Honesty in action cards</li> <li><i>David Gets in Trouble</i> by David Shannon</li> </ul>
<b>Lesson 2</b> The Honest Story	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Demonstrate an understanding around the concept of honesty and why it's important to always tell the truth.</li> <li>Practice being honest, even when they are tempted to lie.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Whiteboard or Smartboard</li> <li>Paper for the story</li> </ul>
<b>Lesson 3</b> Pepper and Soap	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Demonstrate an understanding around the concept of honesty and why it's important to always tell the truth.</li> <li>Practice being honest, especially after telling a lie.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 large bowl with water</li> <li>Black Pepper to shake in</li> <li>Dish soap</li> <li>Paper towels</li> <li><i>Fin's Little Fibs</i> by Tom Percival</li> </ul>
<b>Lesson 4</b> Every Job Counts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explain how each person's helpfulness contributes to the efficient classroom.</li> <li>Demonstrate integrity through the completion of their daily/weekly assigned job.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Blank Paper</li> <li>Basic art supplies</li> </ul>

## Unit Projects

Project Title	Project Overview	Materials Required
<b>Project 1</b> Honesty Song	Students will learn a song about honesty to emphasize kind behaviors that tie into using honesty in our classroom.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Poster board</li> <li>art supplies</li> <li>paper</li> <li>Melody of 'yankee doodle' (optional)</li> </ul> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8zBZkCQqIJq">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8zBZkCQqIJq</a>
<b>Project 2</b> Integrity with Plants	Fostering this connection with young children can really help to deepen their understanding around this abstract concept. This project allows you to explore the concept of plant growth while focusing on being honest and responsible about caring for other living things.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seeds</li> <li>Potting Soil</li> <li>Small plastic cups</li> <li>masking tape</li> <li>Sharpie® marker</li> </ul>