DAILY Warm-Up 14

Name _____ Date _____

DISCIPLINE AT SCHOOL

Think of the behavior of the students at your school. How do students behave? Do they show respect for teachers and leaders? Do teachers follow up on discipline? Are students respectful of themselves and other students? Is there room for improvement at your school?

Violence is becoming a serious problem in schools today. Experts believe that strict rules and procedures are the only way to curb this violence. But this is not what seems to be happening. Many schools seem to be loosening up the accountability they place on their students. In previous years whatever the school said was the law.

Today, parents can come in and complain about how their child is being treated. Parents get their children out of all kinds of situations, only to find that the child repeats the poor behavior. These kinds of parents are, in effect, lessening the security of the school. Children who do not feel there are any boundaries take risks that are unsafe and disrespectful.

Parents need to support the teacher and leaders at school better. Parents need to teach their children that the school rules and expectations should be followed. Teachers should not be afraid to discipline students and follow through on consequences. Violence at school begins with how adults respond to inappropriate student behavior.

STORY QUESTIONS

1. You can tell from the passage that the author feels that poor discipline at school leads to . . .
   a. less control from parents at school.
   b. security issues at school.
   c. stronger teachers and administration.
   d. confident teachers and students.
2. Which statement from the passage portrays the author's opinion about how to curb violence at school?
   a. Violence is becoming a serious problem in schools today.
   b. Violence at school begins with how adults respond to inappropriate behavior.
   c. Violence at school begins at home.
   d. Children who do not feel there are any boundaries take risks that are unsafe and disrespectful.
3. What is meant by the phrase *loosening up?*
   a. letting go
   b. being more strict
   c. being less strict about rules
   d. designing new rules

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