

Religious Education

Growing With Values: Fairness



Worksheet #2

I CAN PLAY FAIR

Instructions: Read the passage at least twice before attempting to answer the comprehension questions below.

The word “fair” means free from bias (prejudice), dishonesty or injustice. “Fairness means treating other people the way you want to be treated. It means trying to give everyone rights and chances like those you have.”

There are many reasons why people are sometimes treated unfairly. People are sometimes treated unfairly because of their race, religion or nationality. People are generally unfair because they lack respect for others.

There are many ways individuals can endeavour to treat people fairly. They include the following:

- Share and take turns
- Decide not to be jealous
- Respect all people

The Golden Rule states, “Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.” It is based on the scripture, Luke 6:31. This rule suggests that we must treat others as we want to be treated.

COMPREHENSION CHECK:

1. What is the meaning of the term 'fair'? Select from the following list of definitions.
2. Based on information in the passage, what are **TWO** reasons why persons are sometimes treated unfairly?

_____ and _____

3. Choose the scripture reference for the Golden Rule as well as how it suggests we should treat others.

Scripture Reference:

Suggestion:

4. How can you as an individual endeavour to treat your friends fairly?

5. Read the statements below carefully, before deciding if they are fair or unfair.

SITUATIONS	FAIR	UNFAIR
<p>a. Robert and Anthony are sharing a pizza. Robert gets 7 slices and Anthony got only 5 slices.</p>		
<p>b. Telling the truth even if you are going to be in trouble.</p>		
<p>c. Taking turns on the swing during recess.</p>		
<p>d. Your sister just bought a new shirt. You want to borrow it but she is not at home. You decide to take it without asking. She comes home and wants to wear it but it is not there.</p>		