

# Kid Scoop

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## FAIR OR FOUL

Has this ever happened to you?

Circle the cartoon that shows the best thing you think Liz could do.

**Panel 1:** Bill! Get the heck out of my way! I'm first!

**Panel 2:** I'm going to trip you next time you walk by my desk!

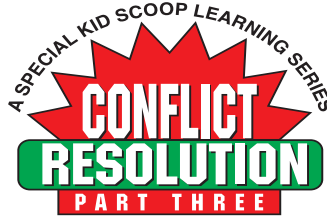
**Panel 3:** For me it is a pleasure to let you go first!

**Panel 4:** The teacher said I should go first because I have to help her. Well, she did ask me to collect homework later!

Today is a special day for Liz and her class. They have just finished reading a book about how kids lived long ago. After recess, there will be a surprise snack to celebrate. Riiiiinnng! "There goes the bell," yells Bill. "Last one in line is a rotten egg!"

Liz runs her fastest to get to the front of the line, but Bill beats her. Liz feels angry. How would you feel? What would you do?

Liz STOPS and THINKS. The next thing she does could make the conflict worse. This would be a FOUL. Look at the fouls described on the FOUL card. Do they sound familiar to you?



**FAIR**

**Avoid**  
Sometimes it is better to give in and let the other person have her/his way. Another way to avoid a conflict is to leave when a conflict starts.

**Humor**  
A good laugh works miracles. Remember to laugh at the problem, not at the person.

**FOUL**

**Bossing**  
Ordering people around.

**Excuses**  
Making up a story in order to get your own way.

**Getting Even**  
Planning to get back at the other person - also called revenge.

Liz could try one of the FAIR ways to resolve her conflict. Look at the FAIR card. Which one do you think she should try?

### Extra! Extra! Cutline Cut Ups

The description printed under a newspaper photo is called a **cutline**.

Cut out three news photos and their cutlines. Cut apart the photos and their cutlines. Give a partner the three photos and the three cutlines and see if he/she can match them.

**Standards Link:** Language Arts/Research: Students understand the layout of newspapers.

**Be Prepared!** One good way to quickly resolve a conflict is by thinking about it ahead of time. What will you do next time someone cuts in front of you in line?

**Standards Link:** Health/Conflict Resolution: Students know strategies for solving interpersonal conflicts without harming others.

### YOU'RE THE REFEREE!

Alexis and Tyler have a science project due today. It isn't ready. Look at the ways in which Tyler and Alexis are handling their conflict. Decide if they are acting FAIR or FOUL. Can you name the FAIR and FOUL things they are doing?

**Standards Link:** Health/Conflict Resolution: Students know possible cause of conflicts in school and strategies to prevent them.

**Panel 1:** It's **your** fault, Tyler! You haven't done **anything** for this project!

**Panel 2:** It makes me feel mad when you blame **me**, Alexis. After all, we were **both** responsible for this project.

**Panel 3:** How could I do anything? **You** didn't get the materials! **You** always want everything all for **yourself!** You're a selfish **jerk!**

**Panel 4:** Calling me names won't get our project done. Let's ask the teacher if we can bring it in tomorrow.

**Panel 5:** Okay! I'll come over after school and we'll finish the project!

### Missing Vowels

The vowels are missing from this famous quote about kindness. Can you replace them all?

A = ☺ E = ☆ I = 🌸 O = ❤ U = ☾

"H \_ m \_ n \_ k \_ ndn \_ ss h \_ s \_ n \_ v \_ r \_ w \_ k \_ n \_ d  
th \_ st \_ m \_ n \_ r \_ s \_ ft \_ n \_ d th \_ f \_ b \_ r \_ f  
fr \_ p \_ pl \_ . A n \_ t \_ n \_ d \_ s \_ n \_ t \_ h \_ v \_  
t \_ b \_ cr \_ l t \_ b \_ t \_ gh ."

—Franklin D. Roosevelt  
32nd President of the United States

**Standards Link:** Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

### Double Double Word Search

- PREPARED
- CELEBRATE
- BLAME
- RESOLVE
- RECESS
- PLEASURE
- FRONT
- STORY
- VALUES
- FIRST
- AVOID
- MIRACLES
- EGG
- BELL
- EVEN

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

G P O E N O D E L A  
S R R R E F G T A V  
E E E U V G I A Y O  
L P S S E C E R U I  
C A O A G M O B S D  
A R L E H T A E B T  
R E V L S E U L A V  
I D E P E L L E B S  
M T T N O R F C F O

**Standards Link:** Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

### FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

#### Values We Share

Values are basic beliefs or standards which an individual or society live by. Find examples in the newspaper of people demonstrating their value systems. Is conflict resolution valued? Does your community share values?

**Standards Link:** Social Science: Students recognize ways in which they are all part of the same community sharing values and beliefs.

## What can you lose that will make an argument even worse?

ANSWER: Your temper!

### Write On!

#### Stop Bullying Now!

Pretend you have been asked to write an advertisement asking kids not to bully other kids. What would your advertisement say?

## Kindness News Around the World

Read the news story below. Fill in the missing words on each blank line using the words in the word box.

On the Random Acts of Kindness Foundation website, you can \_\_\_\_\_ about acts of kindness being done by \_\_\_\_\_ all over the world. They have discovered that acts of kindness are not just for people, but for the \_\_\_\_\_ as well, as this story from the Philippines reveals ...

In the Philippines, we have a word for \_\_\_\_\_, it is called BAYANIHAN! When we say *bayanihan*, people of all ages come together to \_\_\_\_\_ for a common cause. On April 22, 2006, 300 young people \_\_\_\_\_ a lake clean-up along Sampaloc Lake, largest of our city's \_\_\_\_\_ lakes.

We chose the largest and most heavily \_\_\_\_\_ of the seven lakes and invited the local community to participate in the event.

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| POLLUTED     | PLANET   |
| CONDUCTED    | SEVEN    |
| LEARN        | CHILDREN |
| VOLUNTEERISM | WORK     |

You can visit the Random Acts of Kindness Foundation at [www.actsofkindness.org](http://www.actsofkindness.org).

### What a Character!™ Kindness is ...



... giving someone a smile!

### Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **HUMOR**

**Humor** is something that makes people laugh or feel amused.

The **humor** in the story made the whole class laugh.

Try to use the word **humor** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family.

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