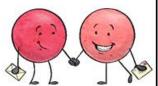
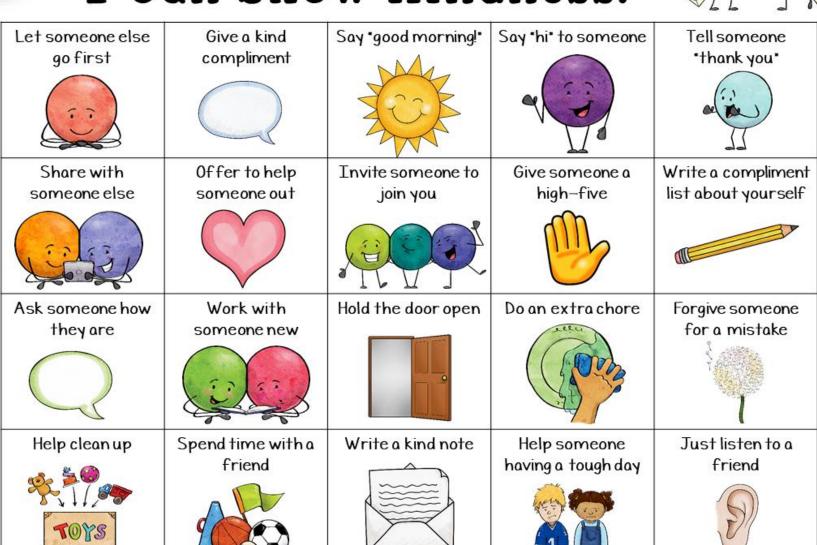
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#### Educator Guide

#### Why should I teach kindness?

Kindness matters! It is a critical social emotional skill that all humans need to feel happy and connected with others. By teaching and discussing kindness on a regular basis, we can encourage a more positive climate for all. Use this kindness activity to help kids and young adults find simple ways they can be kind throughout the day and the year.

#### How can I use this activity?

First, discuss kindness. Ask students to remember a time someone was kind to them. Encourage them to think about and discuss how that act made them feel. Next, ask students to think about a time when they were kind to someone else.

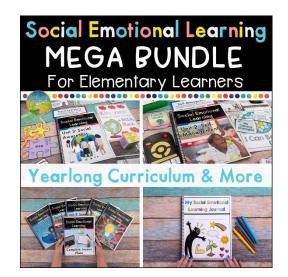
Discuss how one act of kindness can create a chain of kindness. When someone is kind to you, it makes it easy to want to pass that kindness on. Have students come up with examples of kindness. List these on the board.

After discussing kindness, there are some different ways you can use the worksheet included:

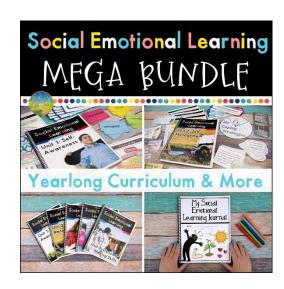
- 1. READ AND DISCUSS: Read through each kind act. Have students color it in if it is something they have done recently.
- 2. KINDNESS CHALLENGE: Read through each kind act and make it a weekly challenge for students to complete all sections on the page. Each time they complete a kind act, have them color that square in.
- 3. MAKE YOUR OWN KINDNESS CHALLENGE: Have students use the blank sheet to write in each time they complete a kind act. Students can list and/or color in the kind act. Make it a challenge to complete 20 kind acts by the end of the week or month.

#### How else can I promote a climate of kindness?

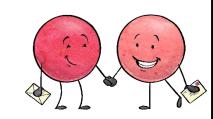
One of the best ways to create a climate of kindness is to integrate and teach social emotional learning throughout the entire year. Use the resources and activities below to start!







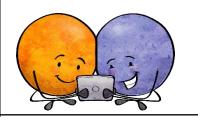
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Let someone else go first



Share with someone else



Ask someone how they are



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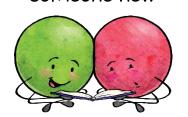
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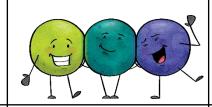
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Invite someone to join you



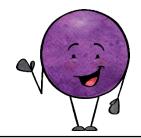
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Write a kind note



Say "hi" to someone



Give someone a high-five



Do an extra chore



Help someone having a tough day



Tell someone "thank you"



Write a compliment list about yourself



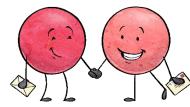
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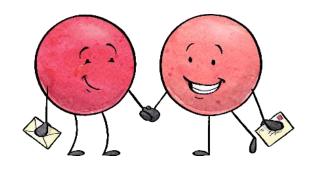


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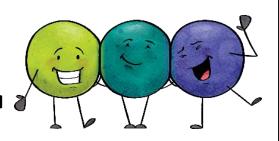
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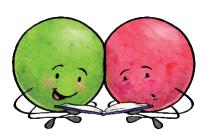


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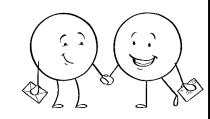
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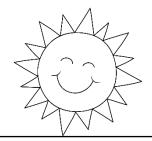
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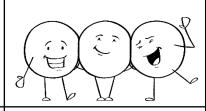
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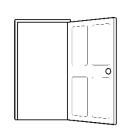
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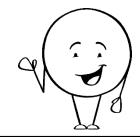
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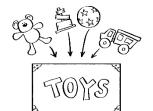
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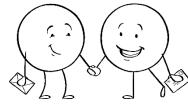


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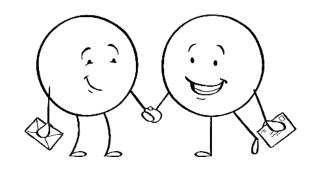
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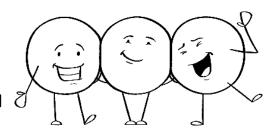
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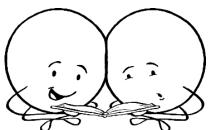


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