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Introduction to Personal Values

Welcome to this homework assignment designed to support classroom learning objectives in Character Education, focusing on the concept of personal values. By the end of this assignment, you will understand the definition and importance of personal values in everyday life.

Personal values are principles or standards that guide our behavior and decision-making. They are what we consider important and worthwhile. Examples of personal values include honesty, respect, kindness, and responsibility.

Activity 1: Identifying Personal Values

List 5 personal values that are important to you. These can be values you currently practice or ones you aspire to adopt. Write a brief explanation for each value, explaining why it is significant to you.

1. Value 1: _____ Why it's important:

2. Value 2: _____ Why it's important:

3. Value 3: _____ Why it's important:

4. Value 4: _____ Why it's important:

5. Value 5: _____ Why it's important:

Activity 2: Exploring Personal Values

Choose one of the values from your list and write a short paragraph explaining why it is significant to you. Consider how this value influences your decisions and interactions with others.

Activity 3: Real-Life Application

Think of a recent situation where one of your values was challenged or upheld. Describe the situation and how your values guided your actions or decisions.

Activity 4: Creative Expression

Express your understanding of personal values through a creative medium of your choice (e.g., poem, drawing, short story). Ensure your creation clearly represents at least one of your identified values.

Activity 5: Value Sorting

You will be given a set of value statements (e.g., honesty, respect, kindness). Sort these statements into categories (e.g., personal, social, environmental) that you believe they belong to.

Value Statements:

1. Honesty
2. Respect
3. Kindness
4. Responsibility
5. Fairness

Categories:

- Personal: _____

- Social: _____

- Environmental: _____

Read the following case studies and discuss the questions that follow:

Case Study 1

A friend asks you to keep a secret that could harm someone else. What do you do?

1. What values are at stake?
2. How do your actions reflect or contradict these values?
3. What would you do differently and why?

Case Study 2

You see someone littering in a park. What do you do?

1. What values are at stake?
2. How do your actions reflect or contradict these values?
3. What would you do differently and why?

Activity 7: Value Charter

Design a personal value charter. This should include your top 5 values, why they are important, and how you plan to uphold them in your daily life.

1. Value: _____ Why it's important:
_____ How I will uphold it:

2. Value: _____ Why it's important:
_____ How I will uphold it:

3. Value: _____ Why it's important:
_____ How I will uphold it:

4. Value: _____ Why it's important:
_____ How I will uphold it:

5. Value: _____ Why it's important:
_____ How I will uphold it:

Conclusion

Reflect on what you have learned about personal values and how they apply to your life. What changes can you make to uphold your values in your daily life?