

# Peacemakers (Level 3)

Description	Learners will understand the meaning of conflict and how to express themselves during a conflict. They will perform a skit demonstrating ways to solve conflict and maintain peace.
Leading question	How can I express myself during a conflict?
Subjects covered	English, Art, Social and Emotional Learning
Total time required	40-50 minutes a day for 4 days
Resources required	Paper, pen/ pencil, notebook
Learning outcomes:	By the end of this project, learners will be able to:
	<ol> <li>Knowledge-Based Outcomes:         <ol> <li>Making text-to-self connections while understanding conflict resolution strategies.</li> </ol> </li> <li>21<sup>st</sup> Century Skill Outcomes:         <ol> <li>Use communication skills to express their emotions and feelings openly.</li> <li>Collaborate with their peers and adults to improve their performance.</li> <li>Use their creativity skills to come up with a skit to present their learning.</li> <li>Use their critical thinking skills to create a wheel of choice and use it.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
Previous Learning	NA
Supervision required	Medium

**Note:** This project can get personal for some learners.

- If you notice signs of discomfort during a particular activity, please feel free to take the call to proceed with another activity.
- Do not force a learner to participate.
- Ensure you have their consent before asking them to share something that may trigger unpleasant memories.

### Day 1 -

Today, you will understand the meaning of conflict and think of your reaction to conflicts. You will also understand what the project is about.

Time	Activity and Description
20 minutes	Meaning of Conflict and About the Project
	What do you think the term 'conflict' means?



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	<ul> <li>Conflict is when people have a discopinions. For example, two friends</li> <li>Can you think of a time when you disagreement with a friend or a fall</li> <li>How did it make you feel, and how</li> </ul> Note: Ask learners to make a note of the way.	disagree on whe were involved in mily member? did you solve it	nich game to play con a conflict, whether?	during recess. er it was a
	inform learners that they will learn new wo down in their books as they learn them.	ords during this	project which they	need to note
	During this project, we are going to learn v  - By learning this, we will be able to during conflict. At the end of the p and how it can be solved based on  - We will explore the <b>Leading Quest</b>	help those in coroject, we will puthe techniques	onflict and also exports or a skit to show we learn.	now conflict
20 minutes	How Do You React During a Conflict? Create the table in your notebook and tick handle conflict with friends and family. Note: The first two have been ticked as an		e boxes to show ho	w you would
	My response	Usually	Sometimes	Never
	Shout and scream at the other person		V	
	Ignore and walk away			<b>V</b>
	Complain to someone about it			
	Cry			
	Hit the other person			
	Forgive the person			
	Say sorry			
	After completing the table, write down a c you reacted.  Tin: If students are unable to write about t	·	·	
At-home	· · ·	he conflict, ask	them to draw the c	conflict.

## Day 2

Today, you will learn how to resolve a fight through effective communication and start preparing for your final performance.

Time	Activity and Description
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5 minutes	Recap and Agenda
	<b>Note:</b> Recap the meaning of conflict and the different ways in which one reacts during a
	conflict.
	- Today we will understand the importance of clear communication and start
	preparing for our final performance.
	- Do you know what the word communication means?
	- The exchange of ideas, thoughts or information by speaking, writing or any other
	form is called <b>communication</b> .
	- Being able to 'express myself' means learning how to communicate thoughts and
	feelings, which they will be learning today.
15 minutes	Communication Game
	Form a big circle and choose one person to start the game.
	- The starting person will think of a sentence (Example: "The sun is shining brightly.")
	and whisper it to the person on their right.
	- The second person whispers the message they heard to the person on their right,
	and so on until it goes around the entire circle.
	- The last person to receive the message will say the sentence out loud.
	Let us think about the game that we played just now and answer some questions.
	- What was the original message?
	<ul> <li>How did the message change as it went around the circle?</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Do you think understanding the message wrongly could lead to conflict?</li> </ul>
	- What does this game teach us about the importance of clear communication and
	listening?
	- Clear communication and listening to what one has to say are important parts of
	resolving a conflict. Let us find out how we can communicate clearly.
5 minutes	Clear Communication — I Statement
	Share how you are feeling today and why. You will use the following sentence structure to
	answer this:
	" I feel"
	For example, I feel happy because my teacher appreciated me.
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	- What you just shared with your partner was an <b>I statement</b> .
	- I statements are an important part of communication.
	<ul> <li>In these statements, we use the pronoun 'I' at the beginning of the statement to express how you are feeling, when and why.</li> </ul>
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	- For example, <b>I feel</b> <u>angry</u> <b>when</b> <u>you scream at me</u> <b>because</b> <u>it makes me feel like you</u> don't respect me.
15 minutes	Preparation for the Final Performance
	Let us start our preparation for our final performance. For the skit, think of a conflict you
	want to act out. You will also write down I statements that the characters will use to express
	themselves during this conflict.
	You will prepare the following for the skit:
	a. Conflict
	b. The reaction of the people in conflict



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	c. Using I statements to express themselves (dialogues)
	Example: A brother and sister who got into a fight over the TV remote and uses I
	statements to express themselves.
	Sister: I felt scared when you threw the remote on the ground because I thought
	you were going to hurt me with it.
	Brother: I felt angry when you pulled the remote from my hand because I was
	watching something important on the TV.
	Rehearse for the skit based on the conflict and dialogues you have finalised.
At-home	Rehearse your skit and ask an adult for feedback. Make any improvements or changes based
activities	on the feedback.

# Day 3 -

Today, you will learn about the wheel of choice and how to use it. You will also continue your preparation for the final performance.

Time	Activity and Description
5 minutes	Recap Note: Recap what communication is and how expressing feelings using I statements is an important part of solving fights/conflicts.  - Today, we will learn other ways in which we can solve fights/conflicts.  - You will also start preparing for your final presentation today.
15 minutes	<ul> <li>Wheel of Choice</li> <li>It is important to understand that you have a 'choice' that you can make during conflict and there are various things that you can do. Let us find out more about this! <ul> <li>A wheel of choice looks like a pie chart, with 6-8 pieces that have ideas or solutions for what to do in a given situation.</li> <li>They help you make decisions about how to handle conflicts.</li> <li>Think of what you have learned in the previous class to help create the wheel of choice. An example has been given.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	Notes:  - Help students create the wheel of choices. Teachers can ask students to think of various situations of conflict and how they were solved. For example, a. How do you resolve a conflict with your brother/sister? b. What do you do when you see your classmates fighting? c. What do you do if you disagree with someone elder in your family?



	- Please note that the 'I message' mentioned on the wheel of choice is the same as 'I
	statements.'
15 minutes	Preparation for the Final Performance
	Continue to add to your performance by adding how to use the wheel of choice to solve the
	conflict and maintain peace.
	The final skit would have
	a. Conflict
	b. The reaction of the people in conflict
	c. Using I statements to express themselves
	d. Using the wheel of choice to solve the conflict and maintain peace
	Optional: Draw the wheel of choice on a chart paper and present it during your performance.
	Notes:
	- Learners have already prepared a,b, and c in the previous class. They will work on
	point d.
	- An example has been given in <b>Appendix 1</b> for the teacher.
At-home	- Invite your family and friends to come watch your final performance.
activities	- Continue your rehearsal for the skit.
	- Share your skit with an adult and receive feedback from them. They can use the
	following guiding questions to give feedback:
	<ul> <li>Is the conflict being solved by using the wheel of choice?</li> </ul>
	- What did you like about the conflict and solution?

## Day 4 -

Today, you will perform their skit for an audience.

Time	Activity and Description
5 minutes	Recap and Final Preparation  Note: Recap the wheel of choice they created in the previous class and ask learners to get
	ready for their performance.
25 minutes	Performance Come forward and perform your skit. You will be acting out a situation of conflict and how the wheel of choice helps resolve the conflict.
	<b>Note:</b> Appreciate learners for their efforts and ask the audience to share their thoughts and appreciation for the performance.
10 minutes	Reflection Reflect on what you have learned and done in the past few days and your confidence in your ability to resolve future conflicts. Use the following questions to conduct the reflection:  - Which part was the most interesting?  - Which part was the most challenging?



	<ul> <li>What are some techniques you would use to handle a conflict?</li> <li>Do you think you would be able to express yourself during conflict?</li> <li>What are some of the questions you have, that you are still thinking about and would like to explore?</li> </ul>
Additional	- Learners can create a <b>conflict resolution manual</b> to keep in their school library.

Additional enrichment activities:	<ul> <li>Learners can create a conflict resolution manual to keep in their school library This manual would help learners healthily resolve conflicts.</li> </ul>
Modifications for simplification	<ul> <li>In case learners find it difficult to come up with ideas, give prompts and examples to help them think.</li> <li>If your learners are unable to write complete sentences in English, encourage them to draw pictures to show their ideas.</li> </ul>

#### **ASSESSMENT CRITERIA**

A majority of my learners were able to:
$\square$ Frame 2-3 sentences using I statements to express their thoughts and feelings.
$\square$ Create a wheel of choice with at least 3-4 techniques to use to resolve conflict.
$\square$ Use the wheel of choice to resolve conflict during their performance.
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#### **APPENDIX 1**

An example of conflict and use of wheel of choice for the skit:

#### **Conflict:**

A brother and sister fight over a TV remote.

#### Reaction:

The sister pinches her brother and hurts him.

The brother throws the remote in anger.

### Using I statements to express themselves:

Sister: I felt scared when you threw the remote on the ground because I thought you were going to hurt me with it.

Brother: I felt angry when you pulled the remote from my hand because I was watching something important on the TV.

#### Using the wheel of choice:

They apologise to one another and decide to do some other activity together other than watching TV. (They use apologising and engaging in another activity/taking a break from the wheel of choice.)

