

Reflection on Values Sort Activity
A Middle School Student

How do your values influence your work and life here at school? Do your values make your work and life easier or better, or do your values make your work and/or life more difficult?

My values in my life make my life both easier and harder. The main value that does that is one of my most important values in life. That is Honesty and Integrity. For instance, it makes my life easier this way, if I am having a hard time on a science test but my friend next to me is really good in science. I know he would let me cheat off his test if I wanted to, but I just couldn't. Why you ask? Well when I was young my parents installed two values in my life family and friends and honesty. The way that story makes my life easier is that I know that my parents would rather have me not get an A on the test and not cheat rather than lie, cheat and get an A. A way that value makes my life hard is this. Let's say that my friend steals from a store and I saw him do it. Later that day my parents ask me if my friend stole anything because my friends parents saw him with the valuable item he stole. What do I do, do I tell on him or do I lie? This friend isn't just a friend, he is one of my closest friends.