

The Kindness Compass: Navigating Our Community

Learning objective: To understand how individual actions impact the well-being of others and to identify strategies for fostering positive relationships.

Leo the Lion and Ellie the Elephant are organising a community celebration. Below is a list of scenarios that might occur during their planning. For each scenario, decide if the action demonstrates 'Active Kindness' or 'Passive Consideration'. Then, provide a thoughtful justification for your choice. Use the word bank to help you express your ideas clearly.

Word bank: Empathy · Collaboration · Inclusion · Supportive · Considerate · Responsibility · Impact · Perspective

1. Scenario 1: Leo notices a younger animal struggling to carry a heavy box of decorations. He immediately stops his work to help them carry it to the hall. Is this Active Kindness or Passive Consideration? Justify your answer. (2 marks)

2. Scenario 2: Ellie is busy painting a banner. She sees someone standing alone on the edge of the room. She decides to keep painting but thinks to herself that she hopes someone else goes to talk to them. Is this Active Kindness or Passive Consideration? Explain why this distinction matters. (2 marks)

3. Scenario 3: Compare and contrast how these two approaches (Active vs. Passive) might change the atmosphere of the celebration. What might happen if everyone chose one approach over the other? (3 marks)

4. Scenario 4: Justify why kindness is considered a skill that requires practice rather than just a natural personality trait. (2 marks)

5. Scenario 5: If you were in charge of the celebration, what creative 'Kindness Initiative' could you introduce to ensure every member of the community feels valued? (2 marks)

6. Scenario 6: If a misunderstanding occurs between two friends during the planning, explain the steps one should take to resolve the conflict with kindness and integrity. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a 'Kindness Map' of your classroom or home. Use symbols to show where acts of kindness have happened or could happen, and include a key explaining what each symbol represents.



Extension challenge: Write a short, persuasive speech for Leo the Lion to deliver to the community. Your speech should encourage others to move from 'passive' thoughts to 'active' kindness. How will you use vocabulary like 'empathy' and 'impact' to inspire your audience?