

## **GOOD CHARACTER**

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Abraham Lincoln rightly said, “your character is what you are when you are alone”. If a person is of good character, he will do good deeds not only in the presence of strangers but even when he is alone. All children are good when they are born .... Our deeds reflect our character

Great people are usually judged by their character. Make sure that your character is great. Having good character means that you have such admirable traits as honesty, responsibility, Kindness, Genuineness, Sincerity, Caring & Courage.

Character is a sort of a catch-all word that describes your characteristic traits. If someone says you have character, it usually means that you are honorable and honest, with integrity, courage, and are reliable and responsible.

It is obvious that honesty and integrity are important. The same is true for reliability and other forms of character, such as being courageous or brave. You should be ethical and conscientious in your work.

Having an honorable character is a natural progression from being healthy, skilled, excellent and valuable in school.

Another important factor is that the honorable student has a greater self-esteem. You feel good about yourself. Finally, there is the religious aspect of having the virtues of honesty, morality and ethics.

You should take care of yourself to ensure that you have good character. Your actions determine what people think of you and establish your reputation. They also determine how others will respond to what you do and say. The way to have good character is to always make sure that you are honest, honorable and truthful. Make sure there is no implication of dishonesty in you in any form.

“Sow an act and you reap a habit. Sow a habit and you reap a character”. If we sow good habits, we build up a good character. If we allow bad habits to develop in us, our character becomes bad. It is therefore, of great importance that children should be presented with the best models for imitation. Ideals of courage, truth, simplicity and purity should be constantly placed before them to follow and live up to them. Good character is more important than health, wealth or happiness. “when the character is lost everything is lost”. Character guides our responses to issues we face in life as we work toward success. Our character is who we are what we do. Character is a summation of our thoughts, values, words and actions which in turn become the habits that determine how successful we are in life. Integrity is the foundation of any lasting success and at the heart of integrity is good character.

Having good character results in respect from others and greater self-esteem. Building good character requires a constant effort.