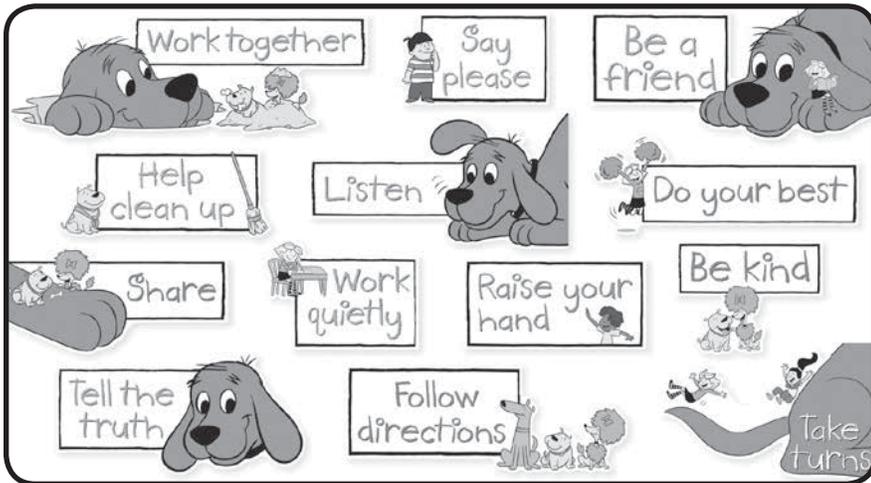


Clifford Class Rules

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Rules Review

Discuss the rule represented on each poster and ask children to share ways they follow the rules. Then distribute copies of the note pages (page 2). Ask children to write a rule (from one of the posters) at the top of their page and write about and/or illustrate an experience in which they demonstrated that rule at school. Add their pages to the bulletin board display. Or, have children complete a note page for each rule and bind them into a personalized booklet to share with the class.

Clifford's "Catch" of the Week

Periodically choose a rule to feature for a week. Display the poster for that rule with the heading "Clifford's Catch!" Explain that during the week, you'll secretly try to "catch" children who are following the rule and present them with a special certificate for their effort. When you do catch a child following the rule, write a note of recognition on a copy of one of the note pages (page 2) to give to the child.

Follow the Rules

Remind children of the rules on the display. Then conduct an interactive reading of a Clifford book with small groups. After reading, invite children to talk about the rules they applied during story time, such as "Listen," and "Raise your hand." Then provide each group with crayons, colored pencils, blank half-sheets of paper, and a stapler. Tell children they will "rewrite" the book in their own way, using the provided supplies and working together as a group. When groups have completed their books, meet back with them to share their book and talk about additional rules they applied as they worked (e.g., "Work together," "Share," "Work quietly," and "Do your best.")

Rules With Rhythm

Reinforce the rules by using them in a familiar song. To do this, randomly "catch" children who are following some of the rules. Point out the rule (or rules) being followed and praise the children for their effort. Then begin to sing a round of "This Is the Way," using one of the rules in the song. For example, you might sing, "This is the way we share at school, share at school, share at school. This is the way we share at school, every day together." Students will eagerly join in the singing, and be motivated to follow the rule in the future.

Displaying Your Mini Bulletin Board Set

Choose an eye-level bulletin board on which to display your "Clifford Class Rules" mini bulletin board set. Use the display and the reproducible page in this resource guide to do the suggested activities.

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