Classroom Guidance: Manners

Grade level: 1st Time: 30 minutes

Materials/Resources:

Book: "Perfect Pigs, an introduction to Manners," by Marc Brown and Stephen Krensky (or any book on manners)

Worksheets:

- Manners
- Tic Tac Toe (manners practice)

Lesson:

- 1. Ask what manners are? Talk about responses, add ideas, manners are rules for getting along, etc.
- 2. Read "Perfect Pigs" (skip sections that don't pertain to school); or use any other book about manners
- 3. Manners Worksheet-
 - "We're going to talk about five manners you use every day at school. I'll read each one, and I want you to think, "do I do that?" and if you do, circle 'yes.' But if you don't be honest with yourself and circle 'no'. Right now, we're just taking this little test to see what were need to work on."
 - Read each statement.
 - At the bottom of the sheet, ask them to think about which one is hardest to remember every time, and that's the one to work on. Circle the one you're going to work at to get better.

4. Manners Practice-

- Have students work with a partner and play tic-tac-toe. Review rules of tic-tac-toe; discuss difficulties that may come up (who will be the X, who goes first, what do you say if you win, what should you do if you lose, etc.).
- Game/practice follow up— how did your group do? Did your partner use good manners? Did you? How?

Evaluation:

- What did we learn today?
- Share what you are going to work to try and get better at.

Manners

Name



I clean up after myself. YES NO



I always say please and thank you. YES NO



I share with others. YES NO



I take turns and don't have to be first. YES NO



I listen when others are talking. YES NO

I'm going to work on being better at:











