Getting Along with Others Card Game

For 2 to 4 players

Instructions

Ages 6 to 12

Why This Game Is Important

There are many reasons why it is important to teach children conflict resolution skills. First and foremost, when children learn these skills, it reduces aggressive behavior in the home and in the classroom. When children learn to cooperate and respect each other's boundaries, you will almost immediately notice a more peaceful environment.

As children respond to the **Getting Along with Others Cards**, you should encourage them to use their problem-solving skills to generate compromises where all children having a conflict get some of what they want.

As in any therapeutic game, modeling is important. Adults should play the game with children at least for the introductory session, showing them the importance of working together and respecting differences.



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How to Play

- Cut out the cards along the dotted lines, and fold each card in half. You can use a piece of tape to hold each card together.
- There are blank cards to write "real-life" situations which may be meaningful to the children who are playing.
- Get some pennies or poker chips to keep track of the points.
- Places the card deck between the players.
- The youngest player goes first, reads the card, and answers it. He/she gets 1 point for answering the card.
- If another player has a different solution to the situation described on the card, she should raise her hand and explain the second solution. If the first player agrees that this is also a good solution, both players get a point.
- Play continues for 20 minutes and then the points are tallied.
- Together, players decide on the points in the rewards chart.
- Players should pool their points to get a prize that can be shared by all.





Getting Along with Others Card Game Rewards Chart

Fill in the points that are needed to win shared prizes. If possible, prizes are given immediately after the game is over.

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| Extra play time | | Special outing | |
| Extra computer/video game time | | You decide! | S |
| Snack | | You decide! | |



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