



VALUES OF SPIRIT OF GIVING

Directions:

There are values that students can learn by participating in *Spirit of Giving*. Your students should examine the values by understanding their meaning (definition) and applying the values to their own lives. The values are:

Kindness - doing something nice for someone.

Service to Others - performing an activity to benefit another person or group.

Community – a group of people living in an area.

Sacrifice – placing the needs of others before your own.

PRE-SERVICE ACTIVITIES (Reflection prior to Service Activity)

Choose from the following ideas or create your own:

SUGGESTED LESSON PLAN:

- Lesson 1 – The Berenstain Bears *Lend a Helping Hand*

ELECTIVE:

- Discuss how you felt while receiving the books.
- Draw a picture of you reading your books.
- Discuss the spirit of giving.
- Discuss what a value is.
- List a favorite way that you can give something to someone.
- Draw what you can give to someone else.
- Brainstorm ways that you can give back in your home or neighborhood and with family or neighbors.
- Talk to family members on ways to give back at home.
- Create a checklist of ways to give back to your school.
- Invite the principal to discuss how you can give back to your school.
- Invite community members to discuss how they help in their community.
- Invite community organizations to discuss how they help the community and how young students can help them.



LESSON 1 – The Berenstain Bears *Lend a Helping Hand*

Goals	Creating a project the class can do together to provide service to others.
Grade Level	1 st grade
Standards	<p>Reading Comprehension <i>Comprehension and Analysis</i></p> <p>2.2 Respond to who, what, where and how questions</p> <p>2.7 Retell the central ideas of simple expository or narrative</p> <p>Literary Response and Analysis <i>Narrative Analysis of Grade-Level-Appropriate Text</i></p> <p>3.1 Identify and describe the elements of plot, setting, and character(s) in a story as well as the story's beginning, middle and ending.</p> <p>3.2 Describe the roles of authors and illustrators and their contributions to the printed material.</p>
Time	30 minutes
Key Terms	attic hobby widow help volunteer
Teacher Instructions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Read <i>The Berenstain Bears Lend a Helping Hand</i>. 2. Ask students questions about the story <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Who are the characters in this story? Name some places where this story takes place? What is the main idea of the story? Who needs help in this story? How do the pictures add to the story? What is volunteering? What are some ways the children in this story volunteer?

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	<ol style="list-style-type: none">3. Divide students into small groups and have them come up with two things they could do as a group to help others.4. Have members of each group share their ideas and list ideas on the board.5. Select one of the ideas and have students implement a group service project.6. Have students reflect on their project by asking each student to write one sentence on how they felt about helping others.
Additional Activities	<u>Language Arts</u> – Create a story or fable with a moral at the end which emphasizes the importance of giving.