4-H SPORTSMANSHIP ACTIVITY

Sportsmanship: What is it?



Audience: All ages
Topic: Defining sportsmanship
Objectives:
 Define good sportsmanship.
Explore characteristics of a good sport.
 Identify ways in which you can demonstrate good sportsmanship.
Time required: 5-15 minutes
Materials Dequired:

Paper

Writing utensils

Activity:

Choose one or more qualities from the list below and discuss how they relate to sportsmanship. Be sure to give examples of ways to demonstrate these qualities while in competition, practices, or meetings.

□ Respect	Compromise
Perseverance	Ethics
Pride	Trustworthiness
Honesty	Responsibility
☐ Teamwork	Caring
Patience	Tolerance
☐ Spirit	Humility
Positive attitude	Compassion
☐ Gratitude	Other ideas?

Variation:

Assign a specific sportsmanship quality to a youth member or a group of members and have them research and present on it at the next meeting.

Reflection Questions:

- What did you learn about qualities of sportsmanship that you didn't know before?
- What quality do you feel you have the most room for improvement in?
- ▶ What quality would you like to learn more about?
- How would you go about teaching other kids the qualities of good sportsmanship?

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