# Grade 4 Sample Lesson Plan: Body Language Charades 

## Objectives/Goals

- The student will be able to
- identify different styles of communication
- develop skills relating to body language and communicating


## Materials

- Body Language Charades Notes
- Body Language Charades Worksheet
- Body Language Charades Slides Presentation
- Body Language Charades List


## Procedure

Step 1

- To start the class, play several rounds of charades using the Body Language Charades List.
- Remind the students of the rules of charades:
- No talking, including sounds
- Can point at things, however cannot pick anything up or use props
- They can use fingers to show how many words they will be trying to guess


## Step 2

- Ask students: Were you communicating during the charades game? If yes, how? If no, why not? What other ways can people communicate?

Step 3

- Give students Body Language Notes that coincides with the Body Language

Slides Presentation.

- Have students answer the blanks prior to revealing the answers on the slides
- Slide 2 1. Communication, 2. Connection with another person, 3. Body language
- Slide 3 Explain the telephone activity. In a group, one student will be whispered a sentence by the teacher. They must then one-by- one whisper the sentence to the next student in their group. The last student must verbally say what they think the sentence was. Ask them "So what's the point?"
- Express to them that communication goes beyond just speaking and even when someone is trying to listen there can be communication break downs like misunderstanding, miscommunication.
- Also if the information does not come through a direct source (like the teacher in the telephone activity) then the information can get scrambled.
- Slide 4 4. Speak, 5. Listen, 6. I, 7. Questions, 9. Mirror, 10. Honest, 11. Body language, 13. Turn
- At this point in the presentation pass out the Body LanguageCharades Worksheet
- Slide 5 provides the first example of how to correctly complete the worksheet
- Next to each picture students should write down a word that describes what emotion the image is showing
- Slide 6 can be used to discuss possible answers once students have completed the assignment on their own


## Step 4

- Before moving on to slide 7 ask students "how do we use a similar form of body language when using a cell phone or other forms of technology?"
- Slide 7 Show them the last slide after they've thought of answers. Point at and discuss what some of the emojis are showing.
- Ask them how often they think they use body language when communicating (in any form). Answer - ALL OF THE TIME!


## Assessment Idea

- Bronson, M.H. (2007). Glencoe Teen Health Course 1
- Stacy Adams, Shaler Area Elementary School


## Handout

The next page includes a handout for the lesson. The handout is designed for print use only.

# Healithy Relafionships 

COMMUNICATION SKILLS


Main Idea: there are many ways to communicate involving speaking and listening to others.

1. $\qquad$ is the clear exchange of ideas and information.

2. $\qquad$
 refers to facial expressions, eye contact, gestures, and posture.

## SENDING OR RECEIVING

| SENDING - SPEAKING | RECEIVING - LISTENING |
| :---: | :---: |
| 4. Think, then | 5. __ actively. |
| 6. Use "____ messages. | 7. Ask |
| 8. Make clear statements. | 9. thoughts $\%$ feelings. |
| 10. Be $\qquad$ with thoughts $\xi$ feelings. | 11. Use appropriate |
| 12. Use appropriate body language. | 13. Wait your |



## BODY LANGUAGE

DIRECTIONS: Next to each picture, write 1-2 words ONLY describing what emotion they are showing with their body language.




