**Responsibility**

[**http://www2.scholastic.com/browse/article.jsp?id=11536**](http://www2.scholastic.com/browse/article.jsp?id=11536)(Lessons on Repsonsibility)

**Talk About It**

     What does the word responsibility mean ?

* Being accountable for what you do in both your actions and behavior.
* Doing the right thing, at the right time, so others can trust and depend on you.

     How can you show responsibility ?

* Complete your homework and chores on time without being reminded.
* Accept responsibility for your mistakes and learn from them.
* Make wise choices, such as choosing to eat healthy foods and wearing a helmet while biking.

**Think About It**

* Over the past week, how have you seen someone being responsible? What did they do? How could you do something to show Responsibility?
* You agreed to take care of a neighbor's dog while she is away and now a friend has invited you to a sleepover? What should you do?
* You broke the wheel off your brother's new skateboard . . . how can you show responsibility?
* Your mom is not feeling well and could use some help around the house, how should you react?
* What are some other situations where you can demonstrate responsibility?

**Responsibility Book List**

**Kindergarten**

Berenstain Bears Trouble at School, Jan Berenstain
Five Little Monkeys with Nothing to Do, Eileen

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 The Ant and the Grasshopper, Amy Lowry Poole

**First Grade**

     Annie Shows Off, Shelagh Canning
     Clean Your Room, Harvy Moon!, Pat Cummings
     Pigsty, Mark Teague

**Second Grade**

     Arthur's Pet Business, Marc Brown
     Mrs. Katz and Tush, Patricia Polacco
     Tops and Bottoms, Janet Stevens

**Third Grade**

     A Day's Work, Eve Bunting
     Betsy Who Cried Wolf, Gail Carson
     Crow Boy, Taro Tashima

**Fourth Grade**

     Horton Hatches the Egg, Dr. Seuss
     The Paper Boy, Dave Pilkey
     Your Job is Easy, Carl Sommer

**Fifth Grade**

Kate Shelley: Bound for a Legend, Robert D. San Souci

The Boy of the Three Year Nap, Dianne Snyder
Why Do Mosquitos Buzz in People's Ears?, Verna Aardema