

Component:	Conflict Resolution	
Grade Level:	Kindergarten-5 <sup>th</sup> Grades	
Lesson Title:	What's Up? #1	
Focus:	Forum for Student Voice and Opinion	

Materials: None

# **Opening**

#### State the objective

Today, students will participate and share thoughts, praises, concerns, and suggestions.

## Gain prior knowledge by asking students

When have you given or received a "praise" from someone else? How did you feel?
When have you had an opportunity to share your opinion and thoughts? How did that experience feel?
Have you ever had a challenge or problem that you have wanted to share with someone, but didn't know how to do that? When, where and what?

# Content (the "Meat")

## Instruction / Demonstration ("I do" - "We do")

- Explain to students that once a week you will have a class meeting.
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- Explain that during that section of the class meeting, people may offer praises to another class member or someone outside of class; share successes that they've had, and express concerns or ask for advice.
- Ask for 6 volunteers to come to the front of the room and sit in a circle.
- Once the students are sitting in a circle, ask them to think of a praise that they can give someone—Example: "I praise Julie for helping me carry the box of books this week. She didn't have to help, but she did" or "I want to thank Jorge for helping me with my math last Tuesday—it really helped". Share with students that when they receive a praise they are only able to say "Thank you" and nothing else.
- Ask volunteers to share a success with the group. Example: I was successful last
  week when I got 100% on my spelling test or I was on the winning soccer team over
  the weekend and we all got trophies and pizza. Remind the audience that they need to
  celebrate with the person and not co-opt the moment by saying something about
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  bathroom and I don't know what to do to get it to stop. Others volunteer suggestions
  about what might work using the words, "In my experience I have tried..." The person
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## Students practice ("You do")

- 1. Have all of the students join the volunteers in a circle.
- 2. Share with students that you are going to be a participant in this activity, and that you will be taking notes to help you remember the flow of the conversation.
- 3. Designate a student to be the leader of the group—this will be the person who will call on other students to share throughout the meeting.
- 4. Begin the What's Up meeting.
- 5. Take time outs and utilize the teachable moment when the process is not flowing—establish that silence is an appropriate response when people are thinking.

	Closing	
	Review	
Say:		
<ul><li>Please recap what we did today.</li><li>Did we achieve our objectives?</li></ul>		
	Debrief	

#### **Three Whats**

Ask the following three "what" questions:

- 1. What did you enjoy most about this activity?
- 2. What was the biggest challenge with this activity?
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- Ask students to think about what they did today in Theme today.
- Ask them to comment on what they did today was something they already knew how to do. (Confirmation)
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Lesson Title:	What's Up? #2	
Focus:	Forum for Student Voice and Opinion	

Materials: None

# **Opening**

#### State the objective

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## Gain prior knowledge by asking students

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Lesson Title:	What's Up? #3	
Focus:	Forum for Student Voice and Opinion	

Materials: None

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