Communication
Skills: Necessary for Life
Bell Ringers

• Is it possible to not communicate? Explain

• Finish the phrase “Communication Is…”
Impossible to NOT Communicate

• We communicate constantly....at home, at school, at work, with parents, children, siblings, friends, co-workers, employees, strangers, etc.

• Even when we choose not to communicate...for example you give someone the silent treatment...you are still communicating your feelings by your actions.
Communication Is…

• The process of exchanging thoughts, messages or information between two or more people.
Effective Communication

• How easy is it to communicate effectively? What can go wrong?

• Brainstorm a list and then add to it as you watch this video clip.

  https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WicrTsb3PlI

• Discuss
Effective Communication
Criteria
Eye Contact
Effective Communication Criteria

Active Listening
Effective Communication Criteria

Responding/Feedback

Thanks for the feedback!

WOW! He listened?
Effective Communication Criteria

Clear Message
Video Clip

This an example of ineffective communication skills...Why?

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nhe0KSGoUgc
Is this an example of good communication skills? Justify your response.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sr1uS8KZbto
What Happens if We are Missing any of the Criteria?

• Participate in the “Drawing” activity with the teacher. Discuss the results.
Types of Communication

- **Verbal Communication** includes anything using the spoken word. Ex. Speeches, language, conversations, tone of voice

- **Written Communication** includes letters, books, texts, and is considered a form of verbal communication
Types of Communication

- **Nonverbal Communication** includes body language, gestures, eye contact, posture, dress, symbols

- **Examples:**
  https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OvEci5Bjgd4
Let’s Take a Closer Look at Non-Verbal Communication or Kinesics

- It is estimated that non-verbal communication is 93% of the messages we receive.
- It is said that communication is made up of 7% words, 38% of those words are spoken and 55% are non-verbal cues.
- To introduce this topic, view…
  - https://www.youtube.com/watch/?v=VfDWQG47pAQ
- To learn more, view…
  - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SKhsavlvuaO
Non Verbal Communication

• How well can you read other people? Take the Emotional Intelligence Quiz and find out.

• [http://greatergood.berkeley.edu/ei_quiz/](http://greatergood.berkeley.edu/ei_quiz/)

• How did you do? Let’s try some
Based on the body language, what’s going on in this picture? What might they be thinking or feeling? Why do you think so?
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Four Levels of Communication

- View https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QSavz6JClw
- Take notes along with examples for each level of communication.
Communication DOs

• Listen
• Look person in the eyes
• Ask questions
• Hear a person out
• Resist distractions
• Be open-minded
• Assume Responsibility in a dialogue
Communication DON’Ts

• Interrupt
• Raise your Voice or Yell
• Call Names or Label
• Blame
• Force or Threaten
• Laugh at People
• Assume you Understand
• Make Snap Judgements
• Offer advice when not asked for
Review Game

- Play Kahoot to practice identifying the communication Dos & Don’ts.
Video Clip

• Identify the Dos & DON’Ts committed in this clip
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K0Jg7pvVzKk
Video Clip

• Identify the Dos & DON’Ts committed in this clip
• https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4VOubVB4CTU
Using I-Messages

• In order to respond to negative emotions and situations, it is important to use “I-messages” instead of “You-messages”
• Write down the 3 intro phrases used with I-messages.
  • https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=asjlO7ELEvc

• In the workplace:
  https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sswGv9iH-4o
• With Parenting & Children:
  https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nu7Nh3Vs7k0
• Finally, exchange your statements with a partner and check each other to see if the statements are correct. Underline each of the parts required in an “I-Statement” (remember the order is not important)
  o When...
  o I feel...
  o Because...

  o Note: if all 3 parts are not included, have the original author rewrite and correct them.

  o Go over some samples used with each picture before collecting students’ work.
Practice

• Go back to what you wrote down for slides 17-21 when we talked about non-verbal communication.
• Individually, write an “I-Statement” for each of the pictures using your notes from the videos.
Summary

Communication skills will be used in all aspects of your life...

- Relationships such as dating or marriage, friendships and even as a parent or child
- Work situations...with customers, employers, or other employees
- As a student in high school or college with teachers, students and other personnel

So...make effective communication skills part of your necessary life skills!