

Class Agreements

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Example Agreements for a Safe and Positive Group

These agreements are meant as inspiration. Choose the rules that suit your class, or discuss them together with your students. First, let the students think for themselves about what they find important in their group. They can work in small groups to come up with their own agreements and write them down on the included A4 form. Then, discuss and compare the suggestions together as a class and decide on your final group agreements. These can be written on the final form. This form can then be placed on the large A3 poster 'Our Class Agreements' so it becomes a visible part of your classroom. This process actively contributes to positive group building, ownership, and a safe learning environment in the first weeks of school.

Respect for Each Other

We listen when someone else is talking.
We let each other finish speaking.
We treat each other kindly.
We laugh with each other, not at each other.

Calm and Order

We work quietly in class.
We keep our hands and feet to ourselves.
We keep our things in their place.
We arrive on time.

Responsibility

We take good care of our own and each other's belongings.
We do our work and help each other when we can.
We stick to our agreements.
We take our mistakes seriously and learn from them.

Safety

We don't run inside the building.
We don't bully – everyone belongs.
We speak up if something isn't right.
We help create a safe and friendly atmosphere for everyone.

Cooperation

We help each other when needed.
We discuss things before we work together.
We share, but we don't take things without asking.
We listen to others' ideas.

