

Positively Golden

Understanding Self and Others

THE GOLDEN RULE:

Treat others as you wish to be treated.



RESPOND to the *Golden Rule* by thinking about behaviors that people demonstrate when they follow it. Why do you think it is called the golden rule? What does gold represent? Why is gold often the color of a top award? In addition to gold, what else symbolizes excellence or value?



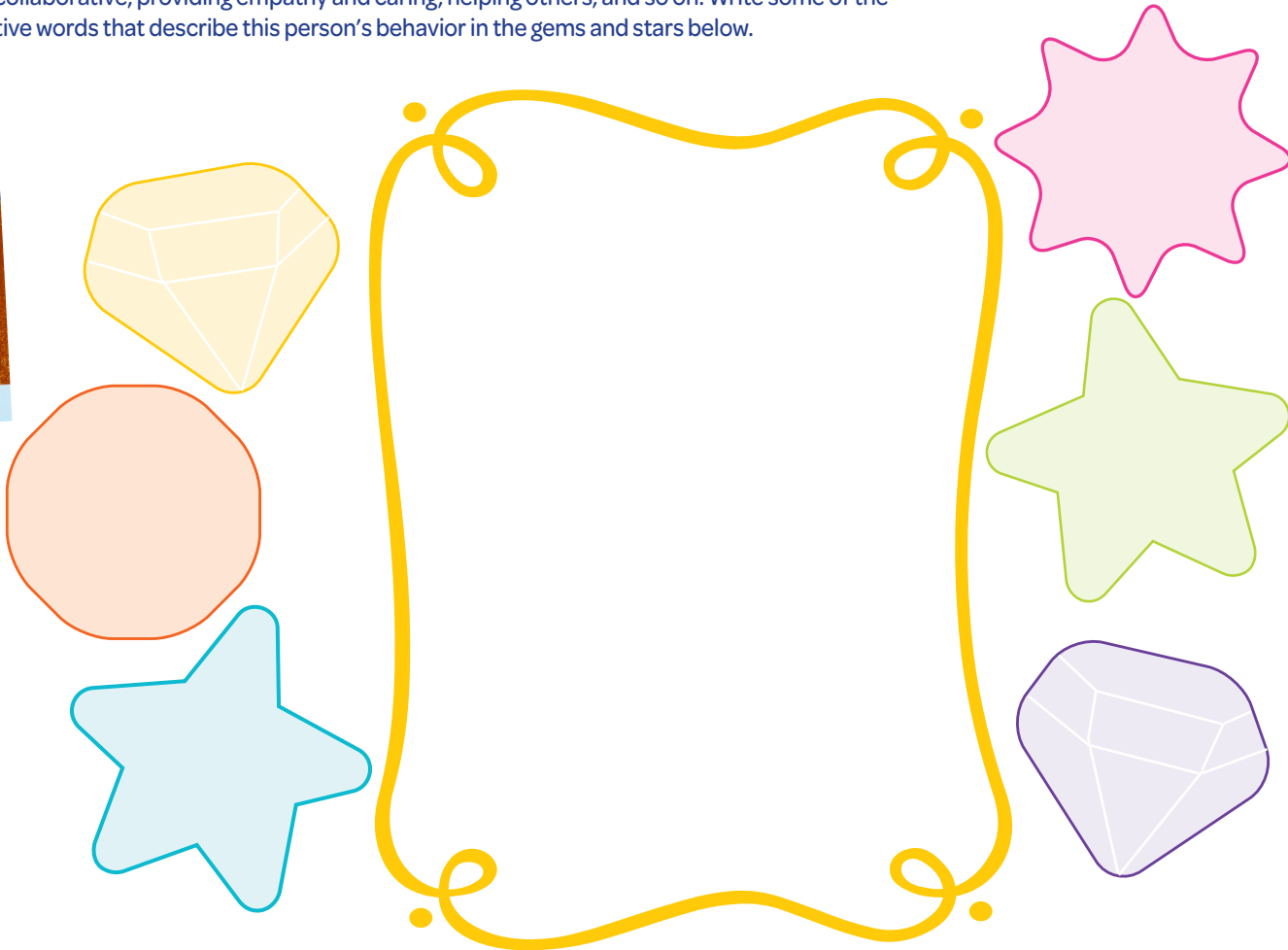
CREATE a portrait of a person you'd like to honor for their *golden* behaviors such as being fair and collaborative, providing empathy and caring, helping others, and so on. Write some of the positive words that describe this person's behavior in the gems and stars below.



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CONNECT the sketch you drafted on this page with ways you could create a wearable medal, badge, desk plaque, or other tangible object that honors this person and their valued behaviors. How does designing a first draft help make the final piece of art more polished or help convey the message you'd like to share? Gather the supplies you'll use to make the version of this award that could be worn or displayed, such as gold markers glitter glue, cardboard, etc.



PRESENT your *Golden Rule* award to the person you are honoring. Plan that presentation by preparing remarks about how following the *golden rule* builds relationships, helps others feel valued, and strengthens a community. Identify a place where this recognition could take place. Consider if you'd like it to be an event that includes others or a quiet moment shared more personally. Would your class like to prepare a display board where all the honorees' portraits are showcased? Consider how focusing attention on these people and their golden behaviors could encourage others to demonstrate kindness and caring.



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Thinking Sheet

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