

111 Character Qualities of Leaders

- Someone believes in you
- Someone sees you as a positive leader
- Someone voted for you to be here today
- Someone sees potential in you
- Someone thinks you are capable of more
- Someone feels you are destined for great things
- Someone can picture you being a positive force in this school
- Someone believes the time and energy invested in you will be worth while
- Someone has faith in you
- Someone is willing to put their name and reputation on the line for you
- Someone has the foresight to look beyond who you are now to what you can become
- Someone sees themselves in you
- Someone has your best interest in mind
- Someone has a gut feeling that you can put forth the effort needed to help change your school
- Someone cares enough about your future to invest in you
- Someone knows you have what it takes to reach students with no hope
- Someone and picture you putting forth the effort and discipline needed to stick with this program throughout the school year

Write what you feel right now knowing that a teacher or student chose you to be a part of this group because they believe in you:

Does it motivate you to want to be a better person knowing that others are behind you:

Is this a new feeling for you or have you had others in your life pull for you and encourage you to live up to your potential?

What Character Qualities do Leaders Possess?

Hint: Think of the qualities you value in a friend

Note: Character Qualities are different than looks, popularity, wealth, family, intelligence, coordination, weight, height, and looks.

Character qualities are things you work for.

You earn them by the decisions you make and the promises you keep.

They have more to do with your reputation than your popularity.

Character qualities are things that each and every one of us can capture if we are willing to put forth the effort and live them out.

111 Character Qualities of Leaders/Mentors:

1. Honesty
2. Integrity
3. People skills
4. Hard working
5. Good listener
6. Cares for Others
7. Makes good eye contact
8. Is organized
9. Does what is right even if it isn't popular
10. Isn't afraid of making decisions
11. Looks out for those less fortunate
12. Pulls for the underdog
13. Does random acts of kindness as a way of life
14. Gives sincere compliments
15. Pleasing personality
16. Respectful of everyone
17. Keeps promises
18. Tells the truth
19. Avoids gossip
20. Doesn't laugh at off color or sexual jokes
21. Has confidence
22. Avoids destructive behaviors
23. Hard worker
24. Never uses people for personal gain
25. Believe the best about others
26. Thinks more in the 'we' than the 'me'
27. Isn't afraid to sit next to an unpopular student
28. Is usually the first to pick up someone's books when they drop them
29. Respect's their family
30. Does their share in making their family better
31. Doesn't take their parents or family for granted
32. Is thankful for all of their blessings and skills
33. Believes in being on time
34. Contented
35. Hopeful

36. Kind to animals and small children
37. Refuses to laugh at others
38. Is a big enough person to say please, thank you, I'm sorry and please forgive me
39. Has confidence when facing a challenge
40. Has vision for his future and the future of his school
41. Cares about his community
42. Is willing to learn what he doesn't know about any subject
43. Sees the best in others
44. Motivates others to do their best
45. Is a person of wisdom
46. Has courage and will fight for what is right
47. People seek them out because of their listening skills
48. Takes responsibility for himself
49. Has pride in his studying ability
50. Has a good sense of humor
51. Can laugh at themselves
52. Avoids sarcasm
53. Looks for solutions to problems
54. Takes time out for themselves
55. Gets plenty of sleep
56. Exercises regularly
57. Eats healthy foods
58. Obeys the law
59. Respects authority
60. Honors the person they are dating
61. Chooses what they watch and listen to
62. Has self discipline
63. Knows where they want to go in life
64. They know each decision they make affects the rest of their lives
65. Communicates clearly in a group setting
66. Never dominates a conversation
67. Encourages others to give their opinion
68. Respects other peoples opinion even if opposed to it
69. Is willing to change in areas where they are wrong or need improvement
70. Listens to older wiser people on a regular basis
71. Puts effort into their spiritual life
72. Earns the trust of others by their actions and follow through
73. Gives feedback to others
74. Builds enthusiasm in others as well as ideas
75. Gets involved with ideas no matte how much work is involved
76. Has a servant's heart
77. Puts others before themselves
78. Is a good role model
79. Is interested enough in others to learn their names
80. Has high ethics
81. Is willing to take risks if they believe in something

82. Is willing to admit mistakes
83. Respects substitute teachers
84. Speaks ill will of no one
85. Looks at the facts before drawing conclusions
86. Doesn't judge others
87. Considers others points of view
88. Is willing to mentor and coach others
89. Keeps promises
90. Follows through on commitments
91. Is teachable, available and trustworthy
92. Walks his talk
93. Seeks first to understand than to be understood
94. Sets goals for themselves and their school
95. Is optimistic about almost everything
96. Knows their own strengths and weaknesses
97. Self motivated
98. Able to say no
99. Has a purpose in life
100. Adaptable
101. Determined to succeed
102. Flexible
103. Respects self and others
104. Trustworthy
105. Trusting
106. Friendly forgiving fun to be around
107. Believes kindness is cool
108. Inquisitive
109. Energetic
110. Overcomes setbacks
111. Believes in delayed gratification

Look over the list and write five things from the list that are character qualities you already have and live by.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Now please write five qualities from the list that you are going to work on in the next few weeks before we meet again as a group.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Let's get a plan of action to make sure you improve in these five areas.

Write what you are going to do to instill these 5 character qualities into your life.

For instance: If the first quality you chose from the list is being nice to others, you could do these 3 things to gain this skill.

Here is your example:

1. Being nice to others
 - A. Offer to help someone with a heavy load
 - B. Say thank you to the food service people each day in the cafeteria
 - C. Start by being nicer at home

Your Leadership assignment is to rewrite the five qualities from the list that you are going to work on and the 3 steps you are going to take before our next meeting. You will be asked to share these steps and how you feel you are doing in that area at our next meeting.

1.
 - A.
 - B.
 - C.

2.
 - A.
 - B.
 - C.

3.
 - A.
 - B.
 - C.

4.
 - A.
 - B.
 - C.

5.
 - A.
 - B.
 - C.