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WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

Below are some challenging situations that call for a decision. What would you do in each situation? Your values should help you determine the right action to take.

Directions: Next to each scenario, write what you would do, what value your decision is based on, and where you learned it. When you finish, you will have identified some values that are important to you.

Scenario	What You Would Do	Value	Where You Learned It
1. Walking alone one afternoon, you spot a wallet on the sidewalk. It contains \$1,000 in cash. What would you do? (Would it make a difference if you knew that the owner was wealthy?)			
2. You witness a friend cheating on an exam. As the top scorer, he is now eligible for the college scholarship that would have gone to you. Will you tell? (Would it make a difference if the exam had been given in medical school and this person was destined to operate on you in ten years?)			
3. When leaving your friend's house, you slip on an icy front porch step and fall, breaking your arm. Would you sue your friend's family if you were sure you could win the lawsuit? (Would it matter if the family were rich or poor?)			
4. A group of kids is making fun of a new student at school. Would you intervene on behalf of the new student and say something to the group? (What if several of the group members were your friends?)			
5. You are drinking a canned soft drink as you hike through the woods. When the can is empty, you realize that there are no trash containers in the woods. Do you toss the can in the bushes or carry it out with you? (What if you still have ten miles to hike?)			

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BEING RESPONSIBLE IN A FAMILY

Directions: As you mature, you are expected to assume greater responsibilities within your family. Below are examples of teenagers taking on additional responsibilities. Read the examples and then decide how you have assumed greater responsibility by answering the questions that follow.

- *Robin's mother used to hire a baby sitter for Robin and her younger brothers after school. Now Robin is able to babysit for her brothers.*
- *Now that he can drive, Kristofer goes grocery shopping for his family once a week. He also drives his brothers and sisters to various after-school activities.*
- *Dylan cooks dinners for the family when his parents have to work late. Some meals are better than others, but he likes the challenge of trying new things.*

In what ways have you assumed greater personal responsibility for . . .

1. . . household chores?

2. . . chores or activities outside the home?

3. . . helping other family members?

4. . . taking care of your own needs?

Focus In

- What family responsibilities do you think you could assume right now? How often?
- What family responsibilities do you hope to assume in the future?
- Is it important to feel appreciated for what you do? How could members of your family do that?
- How do you show other family members your appreciation?