

# Choice Champions



## What is Responsible Decision-Making?

It means thinking about what's right and safe before you choose what to do.

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2nd-3rd grade

### What Are Decisions?

Decisions are choices we make about what to do or how to act. We make many decisions every day.

List three decisions you made today:

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_

 Some decisions are small and some are big. Draw a line to match each decision with "Big" or "Small":


- What to have for breakfast
- Whether to tell the truth
- Which game to play at recess
- How to treat a new student
- Which crayon to use
- Whether to return something you borrowed

- Big Decision
- Small Decision

# Decision Making Steps

**1**<sub>2</sub>**3** Good decision-makers follow steps. Number these decision-making steps in order (1-4):

Steps	Order (1-4)
Think about possible choices and what might happen	
Reflect on how your decision worked out	
Choose the best option	
Stop and identify the decision to be made	

 When making decisions, we need to gather information. What questions could you ask for these decisions?

Choosing a book to read:

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Deciding whether to join a club:

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Figuring out how to solve a problem with a friend:

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# Thinking About Consequences



Consequences are what happens because of our choices. Choose what type of consequence would happen for each choice, then write what you think would happen because of that choice:

**Choice:**

Finishing your homework right after school.

*Positive consequence:*

*Negative consequence:*

**Choice:**

Telling a lie when you make a mistake.

*Positive consequence:*

*Negative consequence:*



Our decisions can affect many people, like ripples in water. For this situation, write who might be affected and how:

**Situation:**

You decide to leave your toys and school things all over the floor at home

How it affects **YOU:** \_\_\_\_\_

How it affects your **FAMILY:** \_\_\_\_\_

How it affects your **TEACHER:** \_\_\_\_\_

# Values in Decisions

✓ Values are things that are important to us. They help guide our decisions.  
Check the values that are important to you:

☐ **Honesty** (telling the truth) ☐ **Kindness** (being nice to others)

☐ **Responsibility** (doing what you should) ☐ **Fairness** (treating people equally)

☐ **Respect** (being polite and considerate) ☐ **Helpfulness** (assisting others)

☐ **Learning** (gaining knowledge) ☐ **Cooperation** (working together)

☐ For each situation, circle the choice that matches the value:

**Honesty:**

- Finding \$5 and keeping it quiet
- Finding \$5 and asking if someone lost it


**Responsibility:**

- Forgetting your homework and making an excuse
- Forgetting your homework and telling your teacher the truth

**Kindness:**

- Seeing someone alone at recess and inviting them to play
- Seeing someone alone at recess and playing with your friends instead

# Decision-Making Practice

 For each scenario, write what you would decide and why:

You find a wallet with money and ID in it:

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Your friend wants you to break a classroom rule:

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You have homework but also want to play a new game:

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 Complete these sentences about your decision-making:

One thing that helps me make good decisions is:

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When I need to make a difficult decision, I will:

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Something I want to get better at when making decisions is:

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