

Topic:

A Big Fat Enormous Lie by
Marjorie Sharmat

Time:

1 or 2, 45-
minute sessions

Grade:

K-3

Core:

K: 6000-0301
1: 6010-0402
3: 6030-0501

Objectives:

1. Students will think about the meaning and consequences of lying.
2. Students will read and be involved with a story as they discuss the citizenship concept of honesty.

Procedure:

1. At the beginning of the lesson, make one or two announcements to the students that are untruths.
Examples:
“School is canceled after lunch today!”
or
“School recesses have been canceled starting tomorrow!”
2. Tell the students that you want to read a book with them, A Big Fat Enormous Lie. And, by the way, the statements you made at the beginning of class were lies.
3. How do the students define a “lie?”
4. Are lies always harmful?
5. Ask students: “How do you feel when you lie?”
6. Read A Big Fat Enormous Lie by Marjorie Sharmat with the students.
7. You may want to have students draw a picture of what they think the lie monster looks like — before you show the pictures in the book.
8. Students could retell the story — to classmates, parents or to other classes.

Additional Resources:**Author:**

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