

Topic:

Law Enforcement Officers

Time:

3 hours

Grade:

1 - 2

Core:**Objectives:**

1. Students will understand the police officer's role.
2. Students will see society's need for police officers.

Procedure:

1. Begin the discussion by explaining that everyone has feelings about police officers. Ask the students to express and explain their impressions about police officers. Make a list on the board. Discuss the reasons for their feelings and how these reasons have developed. At the end of the discussion, discuss the concept of authority and why society needs people with various positions of authority.
2. Invite the school resource officer or a police officer to explain and discuss his/her duties and to answer questions from the class. When inviting a police officer, give him/her plenty of background on the substance the students are discussing.
3. After the officer has left, go through the students' list of impressions and feelings developed initially. Have any of their feelings or attitudes changed?

Additional Resources:**Author:**

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