

Lesson 25



Area: Apologize

Title: **What Does It Mean?**

Objective: Students will enhance vocabulary and demonstrate an understanding of a variety of terms related to saying, “I’m sorry” or “I apologize.”

Materials: Paper and pencil
“What Does It Mean?” Terms Sheet with definitions
“What Does It Mean?” Terms sheet without definitions

Activity:

1. Introduce/review the concept of “synonyms” – the idea that there are many words that mean similar things to saying, “I’m sorry.” Or “I apologize.”
2. Pass out terms sheet—one copy per student (or pair of students). This will be used as a reference.
3. The words in boxes without definitions should be cut up and put into a jar, envelope, etc.
Divide students into 2 teams.
4. Students will take turns drawing out a word from the jar/envelope. Then each student must draw *or* perform the meaning of the word (as if playing Pictionary or Charades) using term sheet if necessary. When the correct word is guessed, the team shifts to another student. Teams can earn points for correct guesses. Award prizes to winning team if you choose.

Closure: Wrap up with the following questions:

- What made this a challenging activity?
- Was it easier to draw or perform the meaning of the words?
- Why is it helpful to know or understand words other than “I’m sorry” or “I apologize”?



What Does It Mean? Terms Sheet

Directions: Cut out the following terms on the dotted line. For use with the lesson "What Does It Mean?"

Grieved: Feeling sorrow or pain

Justification: To prove or show to be just, right, or reasonable

Plea: A decision, decree

Pained: to make suffer or cause distress, to hurt

Excuse: To make apology for- to try to remove blame from

Afflicted: Causing if pain or suffering

Vindication: to set free, deliver, exonerate

Mortified: A sense of humiliation and shame caused by something that wounds ones pride or self-respect

Acknowledgement: To take notice of- disclosure of something that might be concealed

Confession: To disclose ones faults

Ashamed: Feeling shame, guilt, or disgrace- feeling inferior or unworthy

Remediate: Affording a remedy, concerned with correction

Dejected: Low spirits, sad, discouraged

Amends: Something given to make up for loss or injury

Embarrassed: To be uneasy or ashamed: make self-conscious

Explanation: Clearing up difficulty or mistake

Humiliated: To lower pride or dignity; make ashamed

Rationalization: An explanation or excuse

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Pained	Excuse	Afflicted
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