## RELATIONSHIPS EDUCATION

MODULE B
Caring Friendships

O15 - Managing Conflict

Year 6 Spring Term: Lessons 1-2



# Lesson Overview

### Lessons 1-2: Managing Conflict

Engage &
Activate

Whole Class & Paired Activities



Conflict

30 minutes

Explore & Explain

Whole Class & Paired Activities



Conflict corner

30 minutes

Elaborate & Reflect

Whole Class & Group Activities



Managing conflict

30 minutes

Evaluate & Review

Whole Class, Paired & Group Activities



Resolving conflict/ Optional task

30 minutes



### Lessons 1-2: Managing Conflict

Aim

To recognise situations of conflict and consider ways in which conflict can be managed and resolved

Lesson Objectives

In this lesson pupils will:

Identify situations in which conflicts occur

Explore conflict resolution by considering opposing perspectives

Consider strategies for resolving conflicts

Learning Outcomes

By the end of this lesson, pupils will have:

Reviewed their approach to resolving conflict in different situations

Identified ways in which conflicts can be managed

Evaluated strategies they can use to resolve conflicts constructively

### Key Vocabulary

compromise

mediator

opposition

resolution

#### Resources



Envelopes



Pens / Pencils



Resource sheets



Scissors





### Lessons 1-2: Managing Conflict

Whole Class & Paired Activities

Conflict

**Inform** pupils that in this lesson we will **look** at conflict in friendships and **consider** ways in which conflict can be managed and resolved.

Ask pupils to think about what the term 'conflict' means to them.

**Record** responses on the board; these may include disagreements, arguments, anger, problems, fights.

Ask pupils to identify situations where/when conflicts can occur.

**Explain** that conflicts generally occur when people have differing views, opinions, needs, interests and are unable to form a compromise.

In pairs, pupils **discuss** a situation in which they had a disagreement or conflict with someone, focusing on the answers to the following questions:

- Why did the conflict occur?
- How was the conflict managed?
- On reflection, how might you have better managed the conflict?

Take feedback from pupils.

**Conclude** that conflicts, (be they in the form of misunderstandings, opposing views or arguments) occur in every type of relationship. By reflecting on our own attitude, behaviour and approach towards conflict we will be able to better manage conflicts in future.





### Lessons 1-2: Managing Conflict

Whole Class & Paired Activities

Conflict

Introduce learning objectives and learning outcomes.

**Discuss** key vocabulary and **share** definitions. **See** below.

compromise an agreement or settlement of a dispute that is reached by each side

making concessions

mediator a person who helps find a solution to a disagreement or dispute

opposition disagreement with something, often by speaking or fighting against it

**resolution** the act of solving or ending a problem or difficulty



Explore &
Explain

## Lessons 1-2: Managing Conflict

Whole Class & Paired Activities

Conflict corner

**Explain** that, generally, friendships are caring relationships that provide us with a basis for social development and emotional well-being. However, when conflict occurs with friends, this often becomes a source of stress and frustration. If we are able to resolve conflicts better, then this stress and frustration will be removed from our friendships and our friendships will be a source of comfort for us.

**Explain** that **one** reason conflict may occur is when **one** friend contributes more to the relationship than the other.

Ask pupils: When else may conflict occur in friendships? For e.g., when one friend becomes jealous; when there is poor communication; when there is a lack of consideration and/or respect.

**Explain** that **one** way to mange conflict better is to put ourselves in the our friend's shoes.

Watch the video about, 'Seeing both sides of a story' (1:32)



https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zhypyrd



Explore &
Explain

## Lessons 1-2: Managing Conflict

Whole Class & Paired Activities

Conflict corner

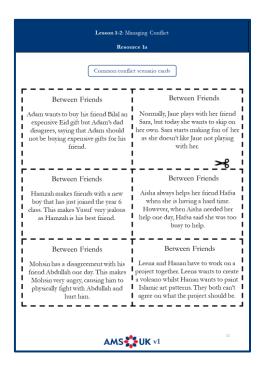
Preparation: Photocopy and cut out scenario cards from Resource 1a and place one scenario card in one envelope.

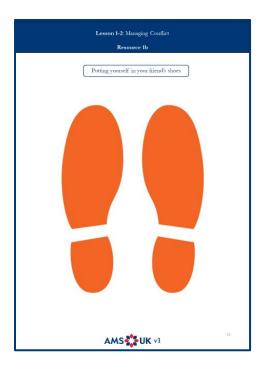
Photocopy Resource 1b. One copy per pupil.

Give each pair one envelope and each pupil one copy each of Resource 1b.

**Instruct** pupils to **role play** the conflict scenario on the card given to them by:

- standing on the 'shoe prints' on Resource 1b
- explaining their point of view to their partner (as shown in the video)
- exchanging places with their partner
- putting themselves in their partner's shoes and considering the conflict from their partner's point of view
- reaching a resolution to the conflict







Explore & Explain

### Lessons 1-2: Managing Conflict

Whole Class & Paired Activities

Conflict corner

Select pairs to perform role-plays.

**Discuss** with pupils the scenarios they have just seen role-played and **ask** them to **reflect** and **feedback** on any conflicts they have had recently and whether they could have put themselves in their friend's shoes to help resolve the conflict.





### Lessons 1-2: Managing Conflict

Whole Class & Group Activities

Managing conflict

**Emphasise** if we manage conflict appropriately the conflict can actually strengthen our relationships and improve our understanding of each other.

**Inform** pupils that we will now **elaborate** further on how to manage conflict situations by setting ground rules which we will use whenever we face such situations.

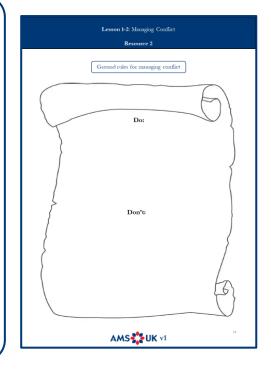
**Separate** pupils into groups and **hand out** a copy of **Resource 2**: Ground rules for managing conflict, to each group.

**Instruct** pupils to **devise** rules that they should '**do**' and not do (**don't**) when managing a conflict.

Examples of '**do**': listening to one another; respecting the other person.

Examples of 'don't': blame the other person; not taking responsibility; being violent or abusive and so on.

Take feedback.



**Explain** that all relationships and friendships have ups and downs. Sometimes, arguments or conflict may result from experiencing a bad day or other issues that have nothing to do with the actual friendship. Regardless of the reasons, friendships should never become unsafe as violence and being abusive are not options when we are in conflict.



Evaluate & Review

### Lessons 1-2: Managing Conflict

Whole Class, Paired & Group Activities

Resolving conflict

**Read** the hadith together to **emphasise** the importance of resolving conflict between friends.

The Messenger of Allah said:

'Shall I not inform you of something more excellent in degree than fasting, prayer and almsgiving (sadaqah)? The people replied: Yes, Prophet of Allah! He said: It is putting things right between people, spoiling them is the shaver (destructive).'

Abu Dawud

**Elaborate** that if we **resolve** conflict with our friends and those close to us we get reward more than performing voluntary worship such as nafl salah, fasting and sadaqah.

On the other hand, spoiling a relationship is a shaver, i.e. removes good deeds like a blade shaves hair.

Review learning by referring to learning objectives and learning outcomes.

**Pose** questions to check understanding and clarify misconceptions using **think**, **pair**, **share**:

- Name **two** situations when conflicts can occur.
- Why do conflicts occur? Give two examples.
- How can 'standing in the shoes' of your friend help resolve conflict?
- Name three ground rules to resolve conflict.
- What are the rewards for putting things right between people?





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Whole Class, Paired & Group Activities

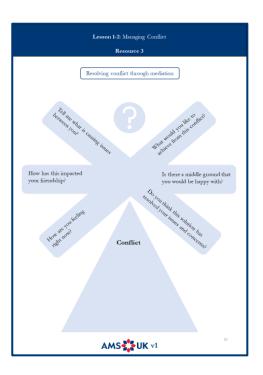
Resolving conflict

Optional Extension or Homework Task

**Ask** pupils in groups to think about a hypothetical disagreement or conflict they are having with a friend. **One** pupil will take on the role of mediator to **resolve** the conflict.

Pupils will **recount** the conflict to the mediator, who will **ask** mediatory questions to find out more information about the conflict in order to **support** in **resolving** it.

Pupils can use **Resource 3**: Resolving conflict through mediation, to **record** the conflict and the **use** the written mediation questions as a **guide** to their questioning.





#### Lessons 1-2: Managing Conflict

#### Resource 1a

Common conflict scenario cards

### Between Friends

Adam wants to buy his friend Bilal an expensive Eid gift but Adam's dad disagrees, saying that Adam should not be buying expensive gifts for his friend.

#### Between Friends

Normally, Jane plays with her friend Sara, but today she wants to skip on her own. Sara starts making fun of her as she doesn't like Jane not playing with her.



#### Between Friends

Hamzah makes friends with a new boy that has just joined the year 6 class. This makes Yusuf very jealous as Hamzah is his best friend.

#### Between Friends

Aisha always helps her friend Hafsa when she is having a hard time. However, when Aisha needed her help one day, Hafsa said she was too busy to help.

#### Between Friends

Mohsin has a disagreement with his friend Abdullah one day. This makes Mohsin very angry, causing him to physically fight with Abdullah and hurt him.

### Between Friends

Leena and Hanan have to work on a project together. Leena wants to create a volcano whilst Hanan wants to paint Islamic art patterns. They both can't agree on what the project should be.



### Lessons 1-2: Managing Conflict

#### Resource 1b

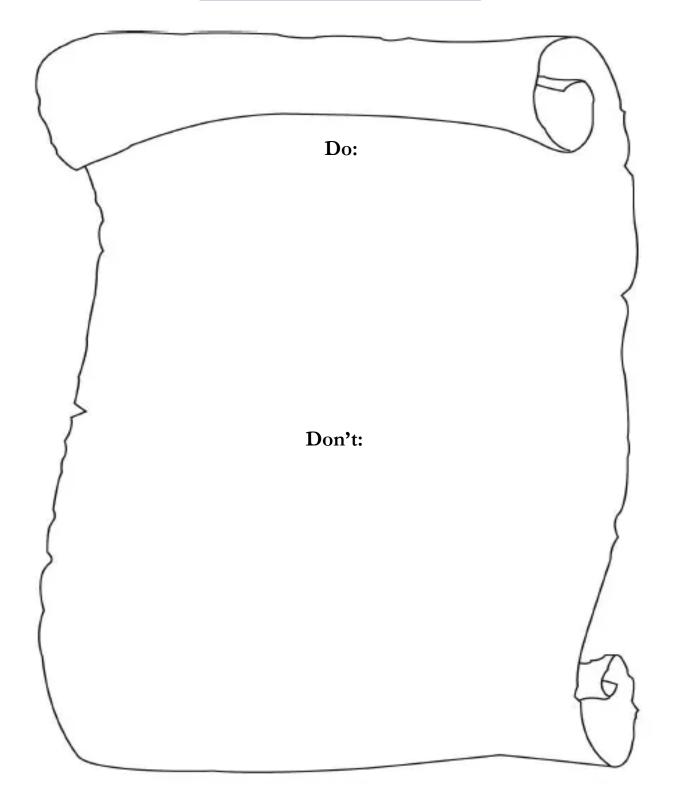
Putting yourself in your friend's shoes





#### Resource 2

Ground rules for managing conflict





#### Resource 3

Resolving conflict through mediation

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What would you like to affice?

How has this impacted your friendship?

Is there a middle ground that you would be happy with?

How are you feeling

Conflict

Do sou think this solution has and concerns.

