

DYP 21st Century Skills LEARNING & DEVELOPMENT VIDEO SERIES

Part 10 - Initiative

Grades 6-8





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For this week:



Take on the "It's Not My Job" activity to better understand what taking initiative is all about!

Your Critical Thinking skills will be very important!

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That's Not My Job

This is a story about four people named
Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody.
There was an important job to be done and Everybody
was sure that Somebody would do it.
Anybody could have done it,
but Nobody did it.

Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody's job.
Everybody thought Anybody could do it,
but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it.
It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody
when Nobody did what Anybody could have.

Answer the questions below.

- 1. What was the mean idea or point of the story?
- 2. List threes reasons why workers may ignore doing an important task or job in the workplace?
- 3. At work, how do you think those employees that ignore doing a task are viewed by the boss?
- 4. Are you the type of worker that takes the initiative (to act or to do something on your own without being told)? Why or why not?



KEY TERMS

Taking the Initiative

Name

proactive	initiative
reputation	courage
reactive	capabilities

Directions: Select the best term above for each definition.

- 1.____ How other people view you.
 - 2._____ Doing something before others and/or acting before being told to do something. Taking this is respected by the boss.
- 3._____ Doing the right thing, even when you are fearful.
- 4._____ What a person is able and capable of doing.
- 5.____ Acting only when told or after something has occurred.
- 6._____ A person that acts before they are told or before something happens. The opposite of reactive.



Email your answers online by next Thursday at ...



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