

# Responsibility



### **Prayer**

O Lord my God! Assist Thy loved ones to be firm in Thy Faith, to walk in Thy ways, to be steadfast in Thy Cause. Give them Thy grace to withstand the onslaught of self and passion, to follow the light of divine guidance. Thou art the Powerful, the Gracious, the Self-Subsisting, the Bestower, the Compassionate, the Almighty, the All-Bountiful.

('Abdu'l-Bahá, Baha'i Prayers, p. 165)

### Quotation

Be...a preserver of the sanctity of thy pledge.

(Baha'u'llah, Epistle to the Son of the Wolf, p. 93)

### **Discuss the Spiritual Quality**

Being responsible is being accountable for your actions. It means others can depend on you to do what you say you will do or not do. When we act responsibly, we do a job to the best of our ability and we accept correction when we need it. With responsibility we admit our mistakes and we also take credit where it is deserved.

## Discuss the Spiritual Quality (cont.)

- What jobs are you responsible for in your own home?
- Can you think of a time when you made a mistake and admitted it? This is being responsible because you are taking credit for what happened.
- How do you feel when you can know you can count on others to do what they say they are going to do?

# Story



Responsibility is doing for ourselves what we are able to do, instead of having others do it for us.



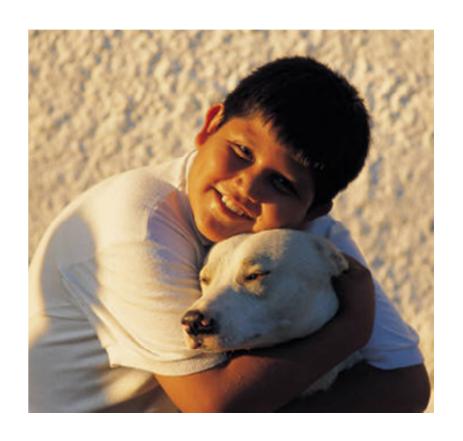
When we take responsibility for our actions, we do our best in whatever we do and we finish what we start.



We are being responsible when we care for ourselves, like brushing our teeth or washing our hands,



and when we care for other living things, like watering a plant, watching over our sister or brother, or taking care of an animal that needs our help.



When we are responsible, our actions are pleasing to ourselves, everyone around us, and God.



As we grow up, we can have even more responsibilities! It is fun learning how to do new things and also finding ways we can be a responsible person.



### Responsibility (Virtues In Us #23)

Sleeping children (x2)
Shh, shh, shh (x2)
Now it's time to wake up! (x2)
It's a great day (x2)

### It's Up to Me

To the tune of "Farmer in the Dell"

Responsibility, responsibility, don't you see it's up to me, responsibility!

I pick up all my toys....

I help around the house...

### **Activity**

Let's all practice responsibility!