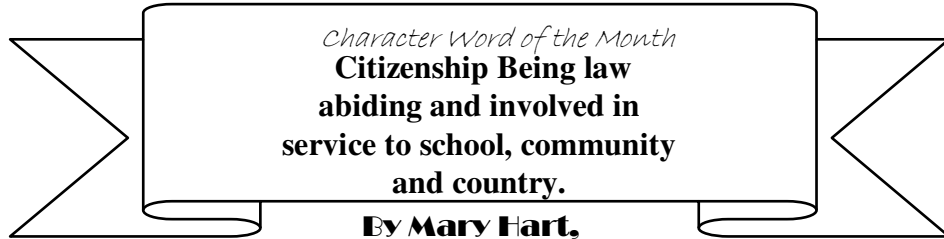


DINNER



DILEMMAS



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You, as a family, are encouraged to discuss a separate ‘situation’ each week of the month, presented as a “Dinner Dilemma”. You could decide how the character quality relates to the situation presented. Additionally, you could discuss how the character quality of the month applies to each family member. The character word for the month of November is **Citizenship**.

<p>Week 1 Situation: Sam’s class goes to lunch. When they sit down there is a mess under the table left from the previous class. The cafeteria monitor comes by and asks Sam to clean up the mess. Dilemma: On one hand Sam knows being a good citizen means keeping the school clean and safe. On the other hand Sam knows his class did not make the mess. Discussion: What advice do you have for Sam?</p>	<p>Week 2 Situation: Sue, wanting to be a good citizen, was moving the neighbor’s trash can back to her garage. The neighbor yelled at her, “Don’t step on my flowers!” Dilemma: On one hand Sue wants to be a good citizen by helping a neighbor. On the other hand her neighbor never says, “Thank you,” and often yells at her. Discussion: What advice do you have for Sue?</p>
<p>Week 3 Situation: Sam’s class votes on a service learning project that Sam does not like, did not vote for, and does not want to do. Dilemma: On one hand Sam knows as a good citizen the majority rules. On the other hand Sam does not want to participate in the project he did not vote for. Discussion: What advice do you have for Sam?</p>	<p>Week 4 Situation: Sue was chosen to be a safety patrol because she is a good citizen. She sees her best friend running down the hall. Dilemma: On one hand Sue knows she should write a referral on her friend. On the other hand Sue does not want to get her best friend in trouble. Discussion: What advice do you have for Sue?</p>

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