

Accountable Talk

This activity will allow members to:

- Practice active listening.
- Improve communication skills.
- Increase confidence and team-building skills.



Materials needed:

- One printed worksheet per member. Download it at kkids.org/IDEA.
- Pens or pencils

How to lead this activity:

Learn how to use your voice to lead others!

1. Give each member an Accountable Talk worksheet. Members will complete this activity together.
2. Ask members to form four different groups. Here's how:
 - a. Using numbers 1–4, assign each member a number.
 - b. Or ask members to count off 1–4.
3. Assign a number to each corner of the room. Ask members to go to the corner that matches their number.
4. Tell members to use the phrases on their worksheet as they talk with one another.
5. Get conversations started by using these topics, and use the blanks to create your own:
 - a. What is your favorite holiday?
 - b. What makes you happy?
 - c. Why do you like helping others?
 - d. _____
 - e. _____
 - f. _____
6. When the activity is over, thank everyone for their time and participation. This is a resource members can use with the following activities: Top Choice and Pick and Choose. See pages 18–21 for more information.

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To lead well, young leaders must know how to inspire without intimidation. Improve your communication skills by practicing these phrases during discussions with fellow K-Kids members.

<p>I agree with _____ because _____.</p>	<p>I disagree with _____ because _____.</p>	<p>Help me understand what you mean when you say _____.</p>
<p>Tell me more about _____.</p>	<p>Can you explain what _____.</p>	<p>I would like to add _____.</p>
<p>I see _____ differently now because _____.</p>	<p>One thing I noticed is _____.</p>	<p>I am confused by _____.</p>
<p>So what you're saying is _____.</p>	<p>Couldn't it be that also _____.</p>	<p>I think that because _____.</p>