

Polite Goodbyes Answer Key

Sample Responses

1. "Thanks for letting me play; I need to go now."
2. "This has been fun, but I have to stop for now."
3. "I've had a great time. I'll see you later."
4. "I appreciate working with you. I'll let you finish up."
5. "Thanks for including me, but I think I'll take a break."
6. "I'm glad I could help. I need to go now."
7. "This has been a good project, but I'm getting a little tired."
8. "It's time for me to go. Thanks for today."
9. "You're doing great! I have to leave for now."
10. "Thanks for letting me join; I'm ready to stop for today."

Teacher's Guide

- **Skill Focus:** Teaching **respectful communication** during group exits, helping students replace blunt phrasing with polite, socially appropriate language.
- **Differentiation Tips:**
 - Offer a word bank with phrases like "Thanks for letting me," "I need to go now," or "I enjoyed working with you."
 - For students with writing challenges, allow oral responses or sentence completion.
 - Model examples aloud before independent work to support comprehension.
- **Engagement Ideas:**
 - Have students role-play the "awkward" and "polite" versions to see which feels better.
 - Turn the activity into a game called "Smooth or Rough Exit," where classmates vote on which sounds friendlier.
- **Extension Ideas:**
 - Encourage students to write a short dialogue that ends with a smooth exit line.
 - Discuss how using kind exits can help maintain friendships and teamwork in school and daily life.