

Peaceful Solutions Answer Key

Example responses may vary but should include calm, respectful actions and assertive communication.

1. Taylor and Jordan can divide the work and agree to share tasks fairly.
2. The group can say, "Let's all agree on rules before playing."
3. Maya can ask her friend calmly about the message before assuming.
4. Riley can apologize and offer to replace the marker; Jay can accept the apology.
5. They can take turns or find a new place to sit together.

Teacher's Guide

- **Objective:** Help students recognize conflict situations, express emotions appropriately, and practice problem-solving through positive role-play.
- **Differentiation Tips:**
 - Read each scenario aloud for auditory learners or those with reading challenges.
 - Allow students to act out the scene with sentence starters ("I feel...", "Let's try...", "Can we...") on the board.
 - For nonverbal students, use visual cards showing calm vs. aggressive responses.
- **Engagement Ideas:**
 - Encourage groups to switch roles (e.g., each student tries being the calm problem-solver).
 - Let students create "Conflict Solution Posters" summarizing healthy ways to resolve disagreements.
 - Have a short class discussion about what "assertive" means vs. "aggressive."
- **Extension Activities:**
 - Ask students to write their own school or home conflict scenario and act it out.
 - Reflect as a group on what made each role-play solution successful.
 - Encourage journaling: "How can I handle conflict better next time?"