LESSON PLAN

Father and Son

GRADES	TIME	READING LEVEL
9+	50 min	5

Lesson flow



5 min

Opening Hook

Start with a brief discussion about emotions and ask students to share a time they felt angry. Introduce the story as a humorous fable about managing anger.

15–20 min

Story Exploration

Read the story "Father and Son" aloud to the class. Discuss key moments, focusing on the father's advice and the son's reaction. Highlight the humorous elements that make it an engaging moral tale.

15 min

Analysis Exercises

Divide students into small groups. Ask them to analyze the characters' actions and discuss what they would have done differently. Each group can present their findings.

10 min

Application/Reflection

Have students write a short paragraph reflecting on a personal experience where they managed their anger or wished they had. Encourage sharing in pairs.

5 min

Assessment Strategy

Collect the reflection paragraphs to assess understanding of the moral lesson and ability to connect it to personal experiences.

STORY OVERVIEW

- **Title and moral/theme**: Father and Son; The moral of the story is that managing one's temper is crucial, as a moment of anger can lead to regret and missed opportunities for reconciliation.
- **Plot Summary**: An aged father advises his fiery son to count to one hundred before acting on his anger. However, the son gets struck by his father's walking stick and loses the chance to reconcile as the father leaves in a cab before the son can calm down.
- **Key Characters**:
  - **Father**: Represents wisdom and the importance of self-control.
  - **Son**: Embodies youthful impulsiveness and the struggle with anger.

LESSON FUNDAMENTALS

- **Learning Objectives**:

    - Students will understand the importance of managing emotions and temper.
    - Students will identify the consequences of actions taken in anger.
    - Students will analyze character motivations and their significance in the story.
    - Students will create connections to personal experiences related to anger and reconciliation.
- **Discussion Questions**:
    - What does the father's advice reveal about his character?
    - How might the story have changed if the son had counted to one hundred?
    - In what ways does this story serve as an engaging moral tale for young readers?
- **Required Materials**:
    - Copies of the story "Father and Son"
    - Whiteboard and markers
    - Paper and pencils for students

✓ Original text available on the story page.