LESSON PLAN

The Honest Cadi

GRADES	TIME	READING LEVEL
9+	50 min	3

Lesson flow



5 min

Opening Hook

Begin with a brief discussion on what students think makes someone honest. Ask them to share examples of stories they know that highlight the importance of integrity.

15–20 min

Story Exploration

Read "The Honest Cadi" aloud to the class. Pause at key moments to ask students about their predictions and feelings regarding the Cadi's decisions.

15 min

Analysis Exercises

In small groups, students will analyze the story's themes and characters. They will create a Venn diagram comparing the Cadi and the Robber, focusing on their motivations and actions.

10 min

Application/Reflection

Have students write a short reflection on how the story relates to real-life situations involving power and ethical decision-making. Encourage them to include any short moral stories they know that resonate with these themes.

5 min

Assessment Strategy

Conduct a quick class discussion to gather insights from the students' reflections. Use their participation and understanding during discussions as informal assessment.

STORY OVERVIEW

- **Title and moral/theme**: The Honest Cadi; The corrupting influence of power and temptation.
- **Plot Summary**: In this moral short story, a robber who has stolen from a merchant is brought before a Cadi (judge). Instead of serving justice, the Cadi, tempted by the robber's gold, decides to exploit his position of power for personal gain. The story highlights the moral dilemmas related to integrity and corruption.
- **Key Characters and Their Significance**:
  - **The Cadi**: Represents authority and the moral challenges that come with power.
  - **The Robber**: Embodies temptation and the rationalization of unethical behavior.

LESSON FUNDAMENTALS

- **Learning Objectives**:
  - Students will analyze the themes of power and temptation in "The Honest Cadi."
  - Students will discuss how the characters' actions reflect moral dilemmas.
  - Students will compare this story to other inspirational stories with moral lessons.
  - Students will identify the consequences of corruption depicted in the story.
- **Discussion Questions**:
  1. What does this story reveal about the nature of power and its effects on individuals?
  2. How does the behavior of the Cadi challenge our understanding of justice?
  3. Can you think of any animal stories with moral lessons that reflect similar themes?
- **Required Materials**:
  - Copies of "The Honest Cadi"
  - Whiteboard and markers
  - Journals for reflection

✓ Original text available on the story page.