



A Utah PTA Program 

October Theme: Thinking and Reasoning

Learning is more than memorizing facts and formulas. We acquire valuable skills while we are learning. Thinking and Reasoning are skills that will be used throughout one's lifetime. Using critical thinking skills can help one look beyond the surface, find real meaning and weigh the pros and cons of an issue.

The AEGIS Character Education Program is core-curriculum based and teaches seven universal principles as well as eight enabling skills - including Critical Thinking. As the concepts and skills are modeled and practiced while the children are learning about core subjects they will be able to acquire, internalize and act upon them.

We have included a small part of a Rights & Responsibilities lesson from our fourth grade curriculum to help illustrate how the skills are taught along with the core subject lesson. (Please visit our website for other examples of our 38 lessons per grade level.)

Our goal is to help the schools integrate character education into everyday lessons and build students of strong character. Developing their critical thinking skills will ensure that our children will have the tools necessary to make good decisions that will be beneficial to their future.

Knowledge does last a lifetime!