

DEFINITION: Diligence is defined as "Investing my time and energy to complete each task assigned to me." It is also defined as "persistent and steady effort." How well are you doing in getting your jobs done at school and at home?

DEFINITIONS FROM: www.characterfirst.com and http://www.thefreedictionary.com/diligence

SHARE IDEAS with SOMEONE YOU CAN TRUST. BRAINSTORM ABOUT HOW TO BE MORE DILIGENT.

Write down your ideas about what to do to "keep on, keepin' on" when it's a challenge! Use the back, a journal, or another paper!

Remember to be **DILIGENT** and write your name on your papers!! Hmm. Where DOES it to go?



NAME:



CHARACTER QUALITY: DILIGENCE

Word Hunt: Look in the puzzle box below for the words that are synonymous with or define the character trait of one who has **DILIGENCE** and is considered DILIGENT!!

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If you're a DILIGENT individual, what can be said about

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THINK ABOUT THE DEFINITION ABOVE.
CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING ACTION STEPS.
CHECK THE ONES WHICH ARE EASY OR DIFFICULT FOR YOU TO DO.
GIVE EXAMPLES OF WHAT YOU NEED TO DO.

EASY	HARD	ACTION STEPS	EXAMPLES OF WHAT TO DO
		Finish my PROJECTS!	
		Do a job RIGHT!	
		Follow INSTRUCTIONS!	
		Concentrate on my WORK!	
		Not be LAZY!	



THINK WHAT THE WORLD WOULD BE LIKE IF PEOPLE WERE NOT DILIGENT. What kind of problems would we have? Fill in the blanks below to find out!



If a farmer is not diligent, we do not have O O	
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If the firefighters are not diligent more buildings would U	_
If a police officer is not diligent the streets are $\mathbf{U}_{} = \mathbf{a}_{} \mathbf{e}$	
If the bus driver is not diligent I couldn't get a i e .	
If the doctor is not diligent, I would stay i	

CAN YOU THINK OF OTHER CAREERS THAT NEED DILIGENCE?



Read the quotes below. Choose the one that inspires you the most. On the back or on another sheet of paper write a paragraph explaining the following:

- 1) Which quote did you select?
- 2) Why does it mean more to you than the others?
- 3) What action(s) does it prompt you to consider?



The expectations of life depend upon diligence; the mechanic that would perfect

his work must first sharpen his tools.

~ Confucius

Diligence is a great teacher.

~ Saudi Arabian Proverb

"We want each of you to show this . . . **diligence** to the very end, in order to make your hope sure. We do not want you to become lazy. . .

~ Paul of Tarsus

A great fortune depends on luck, a small one on **diligence**.

~ Chinese Proverb

Diligence is the mother of good luck.

~ Benjamin Franklin

Nothing is so difficult that **diligence** cannot master it.

~ Malagasy Proverb

Diligence is the mother of good fortune.

~ Miguel de Cervantes

Decay is inherent in all compounded things. Strive on with **diligence**.

~ Buddha

He who labors diligently need never despair; for all things are accomplished by **diligence** and labor.

~ Menander

The secret of success is constancy of purpose.

~ Benjamin Disraeli

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