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WeBlog: Relationship Matrix

WeBlog Guide Activity One: Time Management

Li's parents expect her to do many things for them, and some she doesn't especially like - babysitting and playing the piano, for example. It's hard for her to balance the things she wants to do with what her parents expect from her, and then make time for everything.

What matters most?

Sometimes, dividing up your time can be a matter of figuring out what matters most to you. See if you can figure out what your priorities are.

In addition to the basic go to school for eight hours and normal home activities like eating and sleeping, list all the things you do:

School-Related:

Family/Home-Related:

Personal:

Now put a star next to the one thing in each area that is most important to you. Figure out how much time you spend on these three top priorities each day.

Do you spend most of your time on what matters to you? If not, what alternatives do you have?





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WeBlog Guide Activity Two: Cyberconnections

Learning a new language and communicating face to face can be challenging for any girl—think of all the things you have to understand: what facial expressions mean, how your posture and body language might be interpreted, what “slang” words are acceptable or insulting, and so on. When you turn on the computer and start to chat with your friends virtually, it, too is another language, although we often don’t think of it that way.

Consider this: ursosic! If someone sent you this as a text message or posted it on your blog, how would you respond?

It could mean:

YOU (of all people) are sick in a twisted sort of funny way in a disgusting way

OR

You are really extremely sick, as in you are mentally unhealthy you are physically unhealthy



“One day I missed school because I was really sick. That evening I emailed Rosa and told her I had a really high fever and couldn’t stop throwing up. Rosa emailed me back and said ursosic!

She likes that expression, but another time we were IM’ing and I told her that I had seen this really gross cockroach that was as big as a rat in the girls locker room. She IM’d the same thing back, and this time I thought she was insulting me for saying something gross.”

Online communication and text messaging can be misleading. It is easy to confuse when someone is joking or being serious. You can’t see the person’s facial expressions and body language, the way they are standing or the position of their body. So how can you keep your cyber-connections helpful rather than hurtful?





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Just as being polite in person is part of etiquette, being respectful online is an important skill. See if you can fill in the following blanks. Answers are below..

When you send someone an email or IM, you shouldn't write in all _____

If you think someone won't understand the feelings behind your message, you can use _____

Make sure to _____ mail before you send it

Don't respond right away to a message or post if you're _____

Make sure it's okay before you post someone's _____ on your blog

Answers

1. CAPS

2. emoticons

3. reread

4. upset

5. photo

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