

Social Studies for Elementary
With Casey Burkholder

Grade 3 Learning Centre
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THEME	Laws
OBJECTIVE	For students to reflect upon the laws that exist in their world: all different kinds, why they're in place, who made them, and think of the consequences.
MATERIALS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Cardboard puppet theatre stage. -Puppets on popsicle sticks: pictures of classmates, a police officer, and a ticket. -Signage of laws that the students might be familiar with.
PROCEDURE	<p>WELCOME</p> <p>Hello! How are you doing? Today, we're going to do Amy's Puppet Theatre!</p> <p>WARM UP</p> <p>But first, what's this? It's a No Swimming sign! Where would you see this sign? At the beach! At a lake! Why would it be there? Why couldn't you swim there? Maybe it's polluted! Or there are sharks! Or a strong rip tide! What if you saw the sign and decided to go swimming anyway? We could get sick from the water! Or eaten by a shark! Who decides there's No Swimming at the beach? The police! The government! And what's the punishment for going swimming there anyways? A ticket! Or you're sent to jail!</p> <p>PRESENT</p> <p>Now, today, we're talking about laws! This sign that says No Swimming is a law! What does the word 'law' mean? Laws are rules for us to follow! And who makes these laws? The government! Why are laws important? To keep us safe!</p>

	<p>PRACTICE</p> <p>What about these other laws here? No Fishing, No Littering, Do No Enter, etc. Where would you see them? Why follow them? What if you broke them? Can you think of other laws in the world around you?</p>
	<p>PRODUCE</p> <p>Now let's do a puppet show together! I need a pair of students to come up: choose a sign then choose a character. Act out a cool story about following the law or breaking the law. Be creative, have fun! Hopefully have everyone up for a turn.</p>
	<p>WRAP UP</p> <p>Tell me some of the laws we discussed! What does the word 'law' mean? Who makes the law? Why is it important to follow laws? Remember to be safe! If you're unsure about safety, always ask an adult! For homework, write a list of 5 other laws that you know!</p>
EXTENSION	<p>Could discuss more laws that affect them and more laws in general. Could discuss why different laws are in place and their consequences. Could have students search out more laws they come across, for homework. Could have students write 5 silly 'laws' for homework - for pets, for an imaginary friend, for zombies, etc. Could have students think of new laws, things that are lacking in their community or in the world.</p>



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On or about FEBRUARY 14, 14		at or near ST. ALBERT		Date of offence	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Highway & Rules of the Road Reg.		<input type="checkbox"/> Municipal Bylaw			
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Offence Notice I declare on reasonable and probable grounds and certify that the person named above committed the offence as indicated and hereby that I served an Offence Notice personally upon the person charged on the offence date.					
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IN THE NAME OF HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO APPEAR BEFORE A JUSTICE AT					
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on MARCH 21 at 14 at 1:00 PM					
AND TO ATTEND THEREAFTER AS REQUIRED BY LAW					
THE FOLLOWING DOES NOT FORM PART OF THE CHARGE					
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adm.		<input type="checkbox"/> Youth		You may plead guilty to the offence charged by mailing or delivering this ticket together with the voluntary payment in the amount indicated.	
This ticket may be paid in person at any Registry Office or Provincial Court. You must bring this ticket with you when making a payment. If you wish to mail your payment, see the reverse side of this ticket for mailing instructions. You may also pay this ticket using the Internet by following the instructions on the website at www.finespayment.gov.ab.ca . Service fees will apply at a Registry Office or if you use the website.					
WARNING: If you choose the Voluntary Payment Option, YOUR PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE THE ABOVE APPEARANCE DATE TO AVOID LATE PAYMENT CHARGES.					
Should you be convicted of the offence in your absence and fail to pay the fine imposed within the time allowed if any, you will be subject to late payment charges. The amount of the late payment charge will be \$25.00 (25% of the amount of the Voluntary Payment amount, whichever is greater).					
You have the right to retain and instruct counsel regarding this matter.					
If you fail to respond to this Offence Notice as required by law by the appearance date indicated above, or if you plead not guilty and fail to appear in court in person or by agent on your trial date, you will be deemed not to dispute the charge and you may be convicted of the offence in your absence without a hearing.					
If you are convicted, until the fine plus any late payment charges are paid in full, you will not be allowed to obtain or renew your Driver's Licence and/or Motor Vehicle Licence(s).					
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