

S6C Morning Assembly  
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**THEME: NURTURING RESPONSIBILITY**

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Candidate A: Christy  
Candidate B: Claudia  
Candidate C: Bobo  
Candidate D: Beeson

T: Right girls, it's time to have group discussion practice. You now have 4 minutes for the discussion. You may start now. (Press timer)

A: Hi everyone. We are here to discuss how to nurture responsibility. Let's start by first discussing what a student's responsibility is. In my opinion, responsibility for students is that they try their very best and work hard on their schoolwork, homework, tests and exams. Teachers have gone to great lengths to prepare such exercises for us. It would be a shame if we waste their efforts by not working hard. Not to mention, study is the utmost important task for students. We should all sink our teeth into it.

B: That is a nice point candidate A. And I would like to further elaborate on this. Apart from academic studies, we cannot forget the more basic part of responsibility— punctuality. Being punctual is part and parcel for everything, no matter as major as attending an appointment, or as minor as merely submitting assignments.

C: I go along with the importance of being hardworking and punctual. But I believe students' responsibility is more than just doing your own part well. Students are not just separated entities. They are also part of the school as well. As a part of this big family, students are expected to serve the school, and mutually help with their schoolmates.

D: You're right, candidate C. A few examples would be taking up various posts at school, like Discipline Prefect and House Prefect, offering a helping hand to classmates who have difficulties in homework, or as simple as keeping the classroom neat and tidy! All these are simple acts but demonstrate great responsibility. Well, as everyone has given their opinions on what responsibilities students have to bear, let's move on to the reason why nurturing responsibility is important.

A: I believe a major reason is that lack of responsibility could cause inconvenience to others. Just imagine, if you needed to do a group project, however, your group mates were irresponsible and became free riders. In this case, you would need to do the whole project on your own, including the work that is supposed to be done by others. Isn't that annoying?

D: Right, not only does being irresponsible in teamwork cause trouble and burden to others, but such behaviour also leads to unfairness. As mentioned by candidate A, other teammates need to bear the burden of the project of the irresponsible one. But at the end, all students in the same group get the same mark. Isn't it unfair to the student who is responsible?

B: Yes. And I want to mention that it is essential to nurture responsibility because being responsible is a long-lasting virtue in our whole life. The number people one has to encounter with is even more in a workplace and our society after graduation! We don't simply try to be responsible at school, but also at the office and in daily life, for our future colleagues, boss and our fellow citizens!

C: Now that everyone has shared different reasons to be responsible, let's talk about the ways to nurture responsibility. To nurture means "to develop, to cultivate". It becomes a good habit in your life. I think the first step to nurture responsibility is to pull one's weight.

A: Pull one's weight? What do you mean? We need to take our fat out?

C: (Laugh) No! To pull your weight means that you work as hard as other people in a group. That is, you are **meeting your own commitment** and **endeavour to complete every task you have**. In this way, you are fulfilling your own responsibility as an individual and that you are in turn helping others.

D: I see eye to eye with you, candidate C! I think to understand that everyone's contribution matters is a key to nurturing responsibility. Beginning from the family to the society, every individual's effort counts. With the understanding of our worth, willingness is built.

A: Exactly. Being responsible or not is a matter of choice. You can be responsible and live up to your title when you stop making excuses. If you try to kick your mistakes to your colleagues, not only will you earn their loathing, but also make you a person not deserves to be venerated. Stop making excuses, and admit your mistakes bravely. Maybe, it will finally earn you an acclaim too!

D: Definitely! Charles Dickens had once said, 'Procrastination is the thief of time'. Stop wasting your precious time on excessive entertainment. Do utilise it in a smart means. Keep your things on the right track and fulfill your responsibility. Only when you prioritize your time spent on your duties can you be a truly responsible person.

B: As a final remark, time and tide wait for no men. We should plan our time well with some to-do lists. Prioritising our tasks would be beneficial in utilising the limited time well. Once time was gone, nothing can be done to remedial. Be a responsible time keeper as well as a responsible person!

T: (Timer beep.) Time's up. Thank you everyone. All of you have shared some nice ideas on how to nurture responsibility! You all may now leave the exam room. (To the audience) Dear Holy Familians, I hope all of you can live up to the ways to cultivate responsibility in your life as mentioned by our class under God's guidance. Hang in there! Thank you.