

Warm-Up Activity:

Define <i>loyalty</i> :	
Example of being loyal:	
Why is loyalty important? When is it difficult to be loyal?	

True or False: For the following questions, determine if the statement is true or false. If false, underline the incorrect word(s) and correct the statement in the space provided. **For example:** Baby cats are known as <u>puppies</u>.

a. True b.) False, <u>kittens</u>

- 1. Ruth is a Bible character from the book of Ruth in the New Testament.
 - a. True
 - b. False, _____
- 2. A person's character is defined by their beliefs and moral standards.
 - a. True
 - b. False, _____
- 3. Loyalty is being supportive of your family and friends only when it is comfortable or convenient.
 - a. True
 - b. False, _____
- 4. When Ruth was younger, a family of Israelites from the land of Judah moved into her homeland of Moab.
 - a. True
 - b. False, _____



5.	Ruth married one of the family's two sons and was very happy, but tragically all of the
	men in their family died, leaving her with only her sister-in-law Orpah.

- a. True
- b. False, _____

6. Naomi urged Orpah and Ruth to go back to their own families, and they both agreed.

- a. True
- b. False, _____
- 7. Naomi wanted to return to her homeland of Judah, and so Ruth accompanied her to the town of Bethlehem.
 - a. True
 - b. False, _____
- 8. Naomi changed her name to Mara, which means joyful.
 - a. True
 - b. False, _____
- 9. A kinsman redeemer is a Jewish religious custom.
 - a. True
 - b. False, _____

10. Boaz agreed to be Ruth's kinsman redeemer and sealed the deal by shaking her hand.

- a. True
- b. False, _____

Short Response:

11. Why did Ruth choose to stay with Naomi?

12. How did Ruth's loyalty pay off? Explain using a specific example from the video.

13. What is a kinsman redeemer?

14. In the video, Leo asks Ruth if she felt nervous about moving to Bethlehem. How did Ruth respond to this? How did she manage to maintain a positive attitude despite challenges?

Making Connections:

- 15. In demonstrating her loyalty to Naomi, what other important character qualities did Ruth exhibit? Name at least one and explain using evidence from the video.
- 16. How does the story of Ruth demonstrate the importance of loyalty? Give a specific example of how you can apply this lesson to your own life and explain.

Ruth | Answer Key

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Check students' Warm-Up Activity for completion.

- 1. Ruth is a Bible character from the book of Ruth in the <u>New</u> Testament.
 - a. True
 - b. False, <u>Old</u>
- 2. A person's character is defined by their beliefs and moral standards.
 - a. True
 - b. False, _____
- 3. Loyalty is being supportive of your family and friends <u>only when it is comfortable or</u> <u>convenient.</u>

a. True

- b. False, even when you don't want to be or when it is uncomfortable.
- 4. When Ruth was younger, a family of Israelites from the land of Judah moved into her homeland of Moab.
 - a. True
 - b. False, _____
- 5. Ruth married one of the family's two sons and was very happy, but tragically all of the men in their family died, leaving her with <u>only her sister-in-law Orpah.</u>
 - a. True
 - b. False, and her mother-in-law Naomi
- 6. Naomi urged Orpah and Ruth to go back to their own families, and they both agreed.
 - a. True
 - b. False, Ruth stayed with Naomi
- 7. Naomi wanted to return to her homeland of Judah, and so Ruth accompanied her to the town of Bethlehem.
 - a. True
 - b. False, _____
- 8. Naomi changed her name to Mara, which means joyful.
 - a. True
 - b. False, <u>bitter</u>
- 9. A kinsman redeemer is a Jewish religious custom.
 - a. True
 - b. False, ____
- 10. Boaz agreed to be Ruth's kinsman redeemer and sealed the deal by shaking her hand.
 - a. True
 - b. False, <u>removing one of his sandals</u>

Short Response:

11. Why did Ruth choose to stay with Naomi?

Ruth explains that she couldn't bear to leave Naomi. They were family, and Naomi would be all alone if Ruth left. Ruth wanted to be loyal, so she told Naomi she would go wherever she went, stay wherever she stayed, and even her God and her people would become Ruth's.

- 12. How did Ruth's loyalty pay off? Explain using a specific example from the video. While Ruth was in Bethlehem with Naomi, Ruth met the owner of the field she was working in, Boaz. He was a generous man, and when he heard about how she stuck by Naomi's side, he made sure the harvesters left extra for her. Ruth took home more than enough food for Naomi and her. Boaz was impressed by how loyal Ruth was and she was rewarded.
- 13. What is a kinsman redeemer?

A kinsman redeemer is a Jewish religious custom that when a man dies and leaves a widowed wife but no children, a male relative can become a kinsman redeemer by taking care of what the man who died left behind, including taking his widow as a wife.

14. In the video, Leo asks Ruth if she felt nervous about moving to Bethlehem. How did Ruth respond to this? How did she manage to maintain a positive attitude despite challenges? Ruth explains that she was nervous because Bethlehem was a big change. Even though it was Naomi's hometown and she knew people, it was hard because she was an old widow and Ruth was an immigrant. Despite the challenges, Ruth was not bitter. As tempting as it was to dwell on her misfortunes, Ruth decided to push on and focus on helping Naomi because she was all she had left.

Making Connections:

- 15. In demonstrating her loyalty to Naomi, what other important character qualities did Ruth exhibit? Name at least one and explain using evidence from the video. Sample answer: While remaining loyal to Naomi, Ruth also demonstrated courage and selflessness. Ruth was willing to give up everything to stay with her mother-in-law, Naomi. This is very courageous and also demonstrates that she was willing to put others' needs before her own. Ruth explained that having the responsibility of looking out for loved ones is never a burden, but a joy, which shows how much she cared for her family.
- 16. How does the story of Ruth demonstrate the importance of loyalty? Give a specific example of how you can apply this lesson to your own life and explain. Sample answer: Ruth's story demonstrates the importance of loyalty because although remaining loyal to your family and friends can be difficult, it is worth it and can result in positive outcomes. If you care for someone and love them, it is important to show them this through being loyal. I have learned that loyalty means sticking by someone's side, even if it is difficult or uncomfortable. I am inspired to do this for my own friends and family.