

Conflict and Disagreement: *Lost at Sea*

OBJECTIVES:

- Review information on conflict and discuss how the information is relevant.
- Experience disagreement firsthand through an activity.
- Reflect on the experience and apply learning to life.

Hope and Aaliyah are best friends. They don't like another girl, Jess, though she would like to be their friend. They both tease her a lot by laughing at her and whispering about her behind her back.

One day they decide to tease her more by inviting her to meet them in town on the weekend. They don't turn up and don't call her beforehand.

Jess is hurt, angry, and confused and doesn't know what to do. What advice would you give Jess about how to handle this conflict?

Omar has recently moved to a new school. At the end of his first week, he's become friends with the popular group of boys. They include Omar and he plays soccer with them most lunchtimes.

All the boys joke around with one another and they start making jokes about Omar being a terrorist. Omar feels really uncomfortable with the jokes but when he says something the boys get annoyed and tell him to 'take a joke.'

Omar doesn't know what to do. What advice would you give Omar about how to handle this conflict?

Kiana and her friend Nada are spending the night over at Kiana's house. They want to watch a movie but cannot decide which one to watch.

The movie Kiana wants to watch Nada has already seen. The one Nada wants to watch Kiana has already seen.

They can't seem to work this out. What advice would you give Kiana or Nada about how to handle this conflict?

Jerrell's friend Nick asks to borrow his basketball almost every day after school. Pretty often, Nick won't return it until Jerrell asks for it, and Jerrell notices that he returns it muddy, and last time had some sticky stuff on it.

Jerrell is annoyed and doesn't want to let Nick use his basketball anymore, but he's afraid that if he says no to Nick, Nick will be angry.

What advice would you give Jerrell about how to handle this conflict?

Lost at Sea!

Scenario:

- You and your team have chartered a yacht.
- None of you have any previous sailing experience, and you have hired an experienced skipper and two-person crew.
- As you sail through the Southern Pacific Ocean a fire breaks out and much of the yacht and its contents are destroyed.
- The yacht is slowly sinking.
- Your location is unclear because vital navigational and radio equipment has been damaged.
- The yacht skipper and crew have been lost whilst trying to fight the fire.
- Your best guesstimate is that you are approximately 1000 miles SouthWest of the nearest land.
- You and your friends have managed to save 15 items, undamaged and intact after the fire:
- In addition to the 15 items, you have salvaged a four-person rubber life raft.
- The total contents of your combined pocket's amounts to three boxes of matches and 3 \$5 bills.

- Shaving mirror
- Quantity of mosquito netting
- 5 gallon can of water
- Case of army rations
- Maps of the Pacific Ocean
- Floating seat cushion
- Sextant
- 2 gallon can of oil/petrol mixture
- Small transistor radio
- 20 square feet of Opaque plastic sheeting
- Shark repellent
- One quart of rubbing alcohol
- 15ft nylon rope
- 2 boxes of chocolate bars
- Fishing kit

Lost At Sea Answer Key!

1. **Shaving Mirror.** Critical for signaling
2. **2 gallon can of oil/petrol** mixture critical for signaling.
3. **5 gallon can of water.** Necessary to replenish fluids.
4. **One case of army rations.** Basic food intake.
5. **20 square feet of opaque plastic.** Can be utilized to collect rain water and provide shelter from the elements.
6. **2 boxes of chocolate bars.** Reserve food supply
7. **Fishing kit.** Ranked lower than the chocolate as there is no guarantee you will catch any fish.
8. **15ft of nylon rope.** Could be used to lash people or equipment together to prevent it being washed overboard.
9. **Floating seat cushion.** A life preserver
10. **Shark repellent.** Enough said.
11. **One quart of rubbing alcohol.** Contains more than 80% alcohol, which is used as an antiseptic for any injuries.
12. **Small transistor radio.** Of no use without a transmitter.
13. **Maps** of the Pacific Ocean. Worthless without navigation equipment.
14. **Mosquito netting.** There are NO mosquitos in the mid-pacific ocean.
15. **Sextant.** Useless without the relevant tables and a chronometer.



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