

# RESPONSIBILITY

## 1. As pupils enter

As the children enter play your chosen music and display the word 'Responsibility' if you wish to.

## 2. Introduction

Draw attention to the word 'Responsibility' and ask the assembly what they think the word means.

Gather some responses and then ask: **Has anyone ever been given an important job to do?** Again, gather responses and ask whether doing the important job made the children feel 'responsible'?

Explain that everyone is going to watch a retelling of a story that is found in the Bible, in which there is an important job to do.

## 3. Play the video

The duration is 3' 48" and the final words are: 'See you again soon. Bye!'

## 4. After the video - Time to talk

Consolidate the children's recall and understanding of the story by asking some or all of the Video questions above. Then lead a discussion about 'responsibility' by asking:

- What do we mean when we say 'don't judge a book by its cover'?
- Did anyone make such a judgement in the story?
- What are some of the occasions when it is important to be responsible? (For example - jobs.)
- What are some of the occasions when *you* have to be responsible?
- How do we show other people that we are responsible and can be trusted?
- Why is it important to be responsible?

## 5. Opportunity to sing

An opportunity to sing your chosen song.

## Video page



## 6. Opportunity to reflect

*Close your eyes as we think about some of things we've heard today... Think about a time when you have been given responsibility... What did you have to do? How did it make you feel? Has there ever been a time when perhaps you've been distracted, and failed to show responsibility? Acting responsibly around school can help to keep everyone happy and safe... What are some of the ways you can show that you are responsible today..?*

## 7. Opportunity for prayer

Begin with your usual form of address ('Dear God', 'Let us pray', etc) and:  
*Thank you for our story inviting us to think about being responsible. Help us to avoid making judgements about people, based only on what others say about them. Help us to be grateful for those who show responsibility everyday through their actions - whether in big ways or small. Amen.*