

## Child's Growth and Learning

**Domain:** Social and Emotional Development

**Key Element:** Self Concept

ACTIVITY	OBJECTIVES	MATERIALS
Important Person	<p>Student will develop independence, confidence and competence.</p> <p>Student will share in a group setting.</p> <p>Student will identify own characteristics, attributes and personality.</p>	Suitcase

### **Lesson Plan**

Each week the class will celebrate a different student. Each week the Important Person brings a favorite book from home to share with the class. A family member could read the story, or the teacher will read, or the student could retell or read the book. On Monday, the week before the student's week, he or she will take home the Important Suitcase. The student will: Gather 5 special items to share at school, complete, with help from an adult, a short survey found in the suitcase, choose a favorite book to share at school, bring to school the suitcase with special items, survey and book on the Monday of his or her special week.

### **Guidance/Facilitation/Teacher Behaviors**

Teacher will introduce briefly the project at the Fall Parent Teacher Conference or Welcome or Open House night. A couple of weeks prior to the project's initiation, the teacher will send home a newsletter re-explaining the project. The teacher will create a list of dates of when each student will be the Important Person and send the list home with students for parents to review.

### **Procedure/Process/Expected Child Behaviors**

Student will introduce family members to others. Student will share things that are important to him/her with the class. Student will show pride in telling about him/herself. Student will demonstrate a liking of self and show pride in who s/he is.

### **Extensions**

Display important suitcase items on a table during the week.

### **Evaluation**

All students will participate in some way. Students will show pride and pleasure in sharing about themselves. Students will gain knowledge about similarities and differences in culture and personalities and develop an appreciation for other individuals in the classroom community.