

## Warm Up

How to gain the respect of others.	How to lose the respect of others.
Be <u>kind</u> to others.	(Be <b><i>rude</i></b> to others.) (Be <b><i>mean</i></b> to others.) (Be <b><i>inconsiderate</i></b> to others.)
<u>Keep</u> your promises.	<u>Break</u> your promises.
Be <u>punctual</u> .	Be <u>late</u> . Be <u>tardy</u> .
Be <u>direct</u> and <u>honest</u> .	Be <u>indirect</u> and <u>dishonest</u> .
<u>Admit</u> when you've made a mistake.	<u>Deny</u> when you've made a mistake.
<u>Keep</u> / <u>Respect</u> boundaries.	<u>Overstep</u> boundaries.
Demonstrate <u>competence</u> .	Demonstrate <u>incompetence</u> .
Display <u>modesty</u> .	Display <u>hubris</u> .
<u>Stand against</u> injustice.	<u>Stand for</u> injustice. <u>Support</u> injustice. <u>Tolerate</u> injustice.
Practice <u>equality/fairness/neutrality/impartiality</u> .	Practice <u>favoritism</u> .

## Useful Expression 2

In today's scene, Ms. Gruwell says, *I'm a teacher. **It doesn't matter** what color I am.*

The expressions **no matter what**, and **it doesn't matter** are two different expressions. **No matter what** refers to anything and everything. Whereas **it doesn't matter ...** means that something is unimportant or irrelevant.

**It doesn't matter what color I am** means that the color of my skin is not important (is irrelevant).

### Activity:

Look at the following situations and try making sentences like the one that Ms. Gruwell uses in today's scene (It doesn't matter what color I am.)

1. You can **say** anything and everything, but you won't change my mind.  
**-It doesn't matter what you say.**
2. Our company gives equal opportunity to both men and women.  
**-At our company, it doesn't matter what your gender is. Anyone can advance up the corporate ladder.**
3. You're an adult now. You can't keep blaming your failures on things that happened to you when you were a child.  
**-It doesn't matter what you did ... / what mistakes you made ... / what failures you've had in the past.**
4. I don't care how much this ring costs. I'm going to buy it.  
**-It doesn't matter how expensive it is (It doesn't matter what it costs).**
5. I don't care if you approve or not. I'm moving to Tokyo.  
**-It doesn't matter if you approve or not. (It doesn't matter whether you approve or not.) (It doesn't matter what you think.) (It doesn't matter what your opinion is.)**