Study Guide for Kindergarteners: Media Masters Rock - The AQBS Rule

Overview: This study guide is designed to help kindergarteners learn the AQBS Rule from the video *Media Masters Rock - The AQBS Rule.* The lesson focuses on teaching young children to pause, think, and ask questions before responding to emotions or online content.

Learning Objectives:

- 1. Learn what AQBS stands for (Ask Questions, Be Skeptical).
- 2. Practice stopping and thinking before reacting to strong emotions.
- 3. Understand how to be thoughtful about what they see online.

Step 1: Video Recap (5 minutes)

Ask the class:

- 1. What does AQBS mean? (Answer: Ask Questions, Be Skeptical.)
- 2. Why is it important to stop and think before reacting? (Answer: It helps us make good choices.)

Simple Examples:

- If you see something that makes you feel mad, what should you do? (Stop and ask questions!)
- If you're not sure if something is true, what should you do? (Be skeptical!)

Step 2: Emotion Detective - How Do I Feel? (10 minutes)

Materials: Large emoji cards (happy, sad, mad, surprised).

- 1. Hold up an emoji card.
- 2. Ask the kids to name the feeling. (e.g., "This face is angry! How do you know?")
- 3. Practice asking questions about emotions:
 - Why do I feel this way?
 - Do I need to do anything about it?

Activity: Have kids act out the emotion on the card, then "freeze" when you say, "Media Master time!" They then practice asking questions about the feeling.

Step 3: Is It True or Not? (10 minutes)

Materials: Big pictures of silly or fun "posts" (e.g., "Cats can fly!" or "It's raining candy today!").

- 1. Show a picture or "post."
- 2. Ask the class:
 - Is this true?
 - What could we do to check if it's true?

Explain: Being a Media Master means stopping to think before believing everything we see online.

Step 4: Craft Time - Media Master Masks (15 minutes)

Activity:

- 1. Give each child a paper plate and craft supplies (markers, stickers, yarn).
- 2. Help them create a "Media Master Mask" they can wear.
- 3. Add these words to the mask: "Ask Questions, Be Skeptical."

Prompt: While decorating, ask: "What should a Media Master do if they see something online that surprises them?"

Step 5: Story Time - Media Master Adventures (10 minutes)

Scenario 1: A post says, "If you click here, you'll get a free toy delivered to your house, every day, for the rest of your life!"

Scenario 2: A post shows a picture of a funny animal doing something unbelievable like a dog flying or a cat taking a bath in a bathtub.

Ask kids:

• What should we do first? (Stop and ask questions!)

• How can we check if it's true?

Role-Play: Let children take turns pretending to be Media Masters who ask questions before reacting.

Wrap-Up (5 minutes)

Review Key Points:

- 1. AQBS means Ask Questions, Be Skeptical.
- 2. Stop and think when you feel a strong emotion.
- 3. Being a Media Master means being smart and thoughtful online.

End with a Cheer: "Media Masters rock! We ask questions, we're skeptical, and we think before we act!"

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