

Name _____

The Superpower of Empathy: Understanding Why It Matters

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Answers will vary. Students should reflect on a specific challenging situation where empathy was difficult, explain how they overcame the challenge, and discuss the lessons learned.
2. Answers will vary, but students can discuss how a world where empathy was universally practiced might lead to increased understanding, reduced conflicts, and a more compassionate and inclusive society. They can also mention potential challenges in achieving universal empathy.
3. Empathy can inspire kindness and compassion by fostering a deeper understanding of others' needs and feelings. Students can discuss how empathy can lead to acts of kindness both on an individual and community level.
4. Students should share a personal goal related to developing empathy, outline the steps they plan to take, and explain the positive impact they hope it will have on their character and interactions with others.

