



Qualities of a successful year are on display with this team-building board! Write on each of several soccer ball cutouts (pattern on page 71) a different characteristic that shows good team conduct. Post the balls on a board along with an enlarged copy of the tiger pattern on page 73. Discuss with students each term displayed. Then select a team name. Have each child sign a paper pennant labeled with your team name to show her commitment to the classroom team.

Use the tiger again. See page 15.

Student Activities

- **Writing to relate ideas:** Have each student pretend to be the coach of a team and write about the characteristics he is looking for in a team player.
- **Comparing and contrasting:** Instruct each child to write about a fictional team that displays the posted qualities in a game against a team that lacks those qualities.
- **How-to writing:** Ask each student to write a recipe for a successful year that includes the characteristics posted on the board.

A Year of Success

loads of friendship
for each teammate
high fives of respect
gallons of cooperation
spoonfuls of safety



Here's how to have the most perfect school year ever! Start with loads of friendship for each kid in the class to make him feel welcome. Then walk around the room giving everyone a high five full of respect.

Tiger Pattern

Use with "Welcome to Our Team" on page 7 and "Are You Ready for Some Tough Ones?" on page 15.



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