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Minding Mistakes Spelling / Vocabulary Worksheet

Grades 3 to 4

Instructions: Read the paragraphs on the left (or have an adult help if needed), and then practice writing the words in the spaces on the right.

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Everyone

Life seldom goes perfectly, and people old and young can make mistakes or have failures in their life. Sometimes we fail when we don't try hard enough. Other times we may work really hard at something and still come up short of our goal. Whatever the case, it's important to remember that making mistakes and failing at times is just another part of life that **everyone** experiences.



1. Everyone

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4. _____

Certain

Just because you may fail at **certain** things, that doesn't make you a failure as a person. Every person has their own strengths and their own weaknesses, and one failure or even a string of failures, no matter how big they may seem, does not make someone a failure as a person.



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Succeed

It doesn't feel good when we make mistakes or fail to accomplish what we set out to accomplish. We all want to **succeed** in life, to be winners at everything we do. But none of us can win all the time, and none of us is perfect. Being an excellent person doesn't hinge upon whether or not you fail...we ALL will have failures and make mistakes at times. It's about how you handle those failures when they come.



1. Succeed

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Patience

When Thomas Edison was asked how he kept the **patience** to persevere after failing so many times in his attempts to invent the light bulb, he reportedly said, "I didn't fail... I just discovered 10,000 ways how NOT to make a light bulb." Mr. Edison had the right perspective: If we learn from our mistakes, then it's impossible to fail. Learning from a mistake makes it a valuable experience, not a failure. And if we continue trying after we fail, eventually we'll succeed and accomplish many wonderful things... just like Thomas Edison!

1. Patience

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