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Copy and paste the following text to share with parents...

Fairness is playing by the rules, taking turns, sharing and listening. Fair people do not take advantage of others. They consider all sides before they decide and don't blame others unjustly.

Help your family show fairness by...

- listening closely to others. Try to understand what they are feeling, saying or trying to say.
- considering all the facts, including opposing views before making a decision.
- not taking more than your fair share.

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Quick Teaching Tip!

Help students see that character has relevance everyday, everywhere, all the time! For your next current events assignment, try the following:

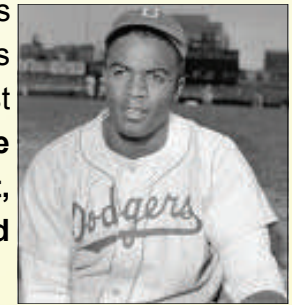
1. Go to www.Google.com.
2. Next, enter one of the Six Pillars in the search field.
3. Then, click on the word "News" shown in blue at the very top of the screen. Students can then select from a list of recent news stories that involve the Pillar they entered.
4. Ask students to report on the presence or lack of this Pillar and how it impacted the outcome of the situation or event in the story.

Character Connections

FAIRNESS

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Heroes, past and present, provide many opportunities to both learn and teach what good character looks like in action. One of America's most notable heroes, Jackie Robinson, was born this month in 1919. Throughout his life and career as the first African-American to play in major league baseball, **Jackie Robinson demonstrated how qualities like respect, responsibility and fairness can help us to succeed despite the significant challenges we may face.**



Celebrate Jackie Robinson's birthday and life this month with your students. Check out the resources below to get started:

National Baseball Hall of Fame Thematic Unit on Jackie Robinson

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Teammates by Peter Golenbock (Ages 6-9)

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Thank You, Jackie Robinson by Barbara Cohen (Ages 9-12)

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