**Be Accountable**

Accountability is important because it builds trust and credibility. A person who follows through with his/her responsibilities can be trusted to do so again, and someone who is willing to hold responsibility for an unaccomplished duty usually learns from his mistake the first time. People with strong ethics are usually accountable people because they know that being unaccountable is basically the same as being dishonest. Being responsible plays a key role in being accountable.

**Joseph Kaluza**

Being accountable is when you say you'll be there, and you will, a few minutes early. Accountability is important when working within a group because it also incorporates responsibility to do your part of the job. When you are expected to show up somewhere and do a specific thing, you accountability is at stake when you don't do it. When people can't count on you, your trust with them is broken, and they can't rely on you anymore.

**Melanie Coulas**

ACCOUNTABILITY goes hand-in-hand with responsibility. When you are ACCOUNTABLE for something, you take responsibility. You recognize the consequences your actions have and you try to fix any problems that might arise. You think about the results before you start. You take care of yourself and others. You are in charge of your life, so make sure that what happens is what should happen. Be ACCOUNTABLE.

**Elizabeth Linsley**

Being accountable means that you are someone that is responsible, and that can be relied on. If your accountable, you are a trustworthy person and people respect you. You accountability builds up over time and is a part of your reputation. For example, if you turn in all your homework on time, you can be relied on. Then, if something happens one day and you really did lose it, people will believe you. Or if you always listen to people when they are down. They will listen to you and like you. That is because you are an accountable and reliable person. It is an excellent quality to have!

**Lilly Field**

When we do something wrong, we always try to pawn it off on someone else. Why don't we hold ourselves accountable? We don't do it, because we don't like the feeling of getting in trouble. Most people don't like the feeling of blaming someone else, so we just don't say anything and act like we didn't know anything about it, right? We need to stop caring about ourselves so much and start stepping up to the plate and holding our selves accountable! I am going to try to do that now! Now that everyone is aware of it, we should all try to do it!

**Michelle Andoniello**

Being accountable is accepting your responsibilities. When you are accountable, you not only know what is right, you DO what is right. Your actions and your choice to be responsible affects everyone around you. Driving responsibly can avoid accidents and the shelling out of mucho pocket money. However, you also have the choice to be irresponsible and not want to be held accountable. If you make choices like drinking and driving, you can get killed or you can be the cause of others deaths. Responsibility is easy if you live by your morals and consider others. Responsibility is the product of accepting burdens and what are sometimes challenges, but it is the predecessor to living in a peaceful world.

Being accountable also means answering to your mistakes. Being accountable means accepting the consequences for your actions. Driving drunk can cause serious consequences that you WILL be forces to deal with. Being accountable is accepting free will. The bottom line is that, no matter what you do and weather or not you decide to live responsibly, you are the one that will have to answer. Even when you don't want to be, you are ALWAYS accountable for your actions.

**Stephanie Bullen**