

Pack the Knapp



Writing Prompts- Middle School

Use the following ideas for classroom discussion or a writing assignment:

A Lesson in Losing

One of the teams playing in today's game will lose. Losing is inevitable. Overcoming losses is an important part of sports and school.

Discussion or Writing Assignments:

1. Consider the Conrad Hilton quote:

“Successful people keep moving. They make mistakes, but they don’t quit.”

Discuss or write about someone who made mistakes, but is successful because they did not quit. How did they work through their mistakes? How did it contribute to their success?

2. Discuss or write about a time in which you lost a game or made a mistake, but learned a valuable lesson.
3. Discuss or write about the character traits a person needs to “keep moving” after making a mistake?

Managing Priorities

The athletes on both teams are also students who missed classes to compete. They will have to make up the work they missed.

Discussion or Writing Assignments:

1. Come up list of at least five tips you would give these student-athletes to balance the demands of sports and school.
2. What character traits do student-athletes need to be successful in the classroom and in their sport?