



DON'T JUST SAY NO! Be open-minded.

The Secret Millionaires Club is figuring out the best gift wrap for its holiday business. At first, Radley doesn't want to listen to Elena's and Jones' unusual gift-wrap ideas. But, as Warren explains, managers in successful businesses need to respect others' opinions. The Secret Millionaires Club learns that business owners should be open to alternatives and consider them seriously to succeed.

Being open-minded can lead to success in life.

Ask kids: Why was Radley not receptive to the ideas of Elena and Jones at first? Why is it sometimes difficult to be open-minded? Can you describe a time when you kept an open mind? What did you learn from that experience? How does being open-minded and staying positive help us grow and succeed?

Demonstrate how being open-minded helped you.

Help your child learn why it's important to practice keeping an open mind. Provide an example from your own life in which being open-minded led you to enjoy something new, gain a unique perspective, understand someone else's opinion, or taught you something.

Activities:

1. Imagine you're part of the Secret Millionaires Club. Have your child come up with a creative way to wrap presents for the holidays like Elena and Jones did. Together, brainstorm a list of ideas. Then ask your child to choose an idea to pitch to the club and explain why it's a good choice.
2. Promote being an open-minded thinker using the senses—taste, hearing, and sight. First, have your child pick a new food to try. Then encourage your child to listen to a new type of music, such as classical or jazz. Finally, have your child watch a different movie genre than he or she would normally choose. Afterwards, discuss each experience and whether your child developed a different perspective about it.
3. Being open-minded can help us think creatively. With your child, make a list of other ways to stimulate creativity, such as keeping a journal, doing puzzles and brainteasers, or taking a nature walk. Then be sure to have your child put some of the activities into practice!

Tip: Keeping an open mind helps build an appreciation for new things. Encourage your child to try a new activity. For instance, your child might want to play chess, take up a new instrument, practice juggling, or learn how to do a handstand. Point out when your child is being open to new experiences and discuss how it feels.

