

Adventures in Citizenship

Make Change Happen
See, Believe, Do

An Interactive CD-ROM and Teacher's Guide

By Southern Mutual Help Association, Inc.

What You Will Find In The "Adventures in Citizenship Kit"

- ★ An **interactive CD-ROM** on "Adventures in Citizenship: Make Change Happen—See, Believe, Do."
- ★ A **223-page Teacher's Guide** on a separate CD which includes:
 - ✓ A variety of fun and creative lesson plans and units that are **correlated to state social studies standards** and benchmarks and
 - ✓ Reproducible **worksheets** and transparency masters.
- ★ A colorful **poster** for your classroom.

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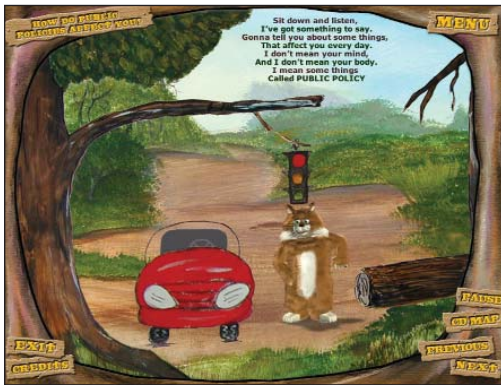
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About The "Adventures in Citizenship Kit"

The kit features an **interactive CD-ROM** on "Adventures in Citizenship: Make Change Happen—See, Believe, Do" which was produced by Southern Mutual Help Association, Inc. (SMHA) to help students:

- ★ Make connections between public policies and their everyday lives;
- ★ Recognize their own power; and
- ★ Learn how ordinary citizens can help create and change public policies through the democratic process to make their communities better places to live and work and play.

The accompanying **223-page Teacher's Guide** for using the CD-ROM was developed by teachers for teachers. This companion piece makes this resource an exciting and **effective tool for teaching citizenship, civics, problem solving, character education and personal responsibility**. The Teacher's Guide includes a variety of fun and creative lesson plans that address different learning styles and are **correlated to state standards**, benchmarks and key concepts primarily in social studies, science and language arts. Both the CD-ROM and Teacher's Guide include reproducible worksheets and transparency masters.



The **"Adventures in Citizenship" CD-ROM** features animated characters and rap songs, as well as stories of real grass-roots leaders, and the content is organized into three parts which can be explored in any order.

Part 1—What are public policies and how do they affect you?

"Rappin' Boogie Bobcat" engages students with a "Public Policy Rap" and takes the user on an interactive joy ride where he or she can discover public policy connections at home, at work, at school, at play and in the community. (Copies of the rap song lyrics can be printed from the CD, and they also appear on the screen so students can sing along.)



Part 2—The Saga of Soggy Bottom Swamp

Students get a front-row seat for "The Saga of Soggy Bottom Swamp," where swamp critters face a life-threatening dilemma, discover their power and save the swamp. The key civics concepts in this animated story of democracy in action are explored in more depth in Part 3 through a variety of interactive activities, how-to tips and real-life stories.



Part 3—What can you do about public policies?

This part of the CD-ROM is divided into three sections—"See," "Believe" and "Do." In it students discover the importance of knowing:

- ★ What the current situation or problem is and what they want it to be,
- ★ How to find and use their power, and
- ★ What it takes to make change happen.

The content of the third section of the CD-ROM is layered so students can get an overview and/or select topics to explore in more detail. There are also links to printable worksheets and tip sheets, as well as websites which contain additional information.

What Teachers Are Saying

"This helps to fight apathy. Kids started talking about what changes in the school they would like to see, and some decided to run for student council."

"Eighth grade American history . . . U.S. Constitution and citizenship. Students would understand their role in policy making and how it applies to being a good citizen." (8th-9th)

"I could use this when teaching laws, government, social behavior, air pollution, citizenship, and the importance of working together." (6th)

"My objective in utilizing this CD would be to familiarize students about public policy and make them aware of their roles and responsibilities as citizens to be a vital part in the public policy making process." (8th)

"The kids LOVED the rap and get it better than the teachers do. The kids were rapping in the halls and telling other students, 'Our teacher let us listen to rap today!'"

"The students will better understand the job of the local government after viewing this CD." (5th)

"I would use this CD from year to year with sixth graders as an integration of social studies and life skills and character development. The objective would be that the learner will discuss public policy and values needed to maintain societal roles." (6th)

"Kids LOVED the video [Saga]. It's the first time I've seen them take an interest in civics."

"This CD will greatly help with LEAP because of the civics part of the test." (6th-8th)

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