

PERSEVERANT

Children as process monitors

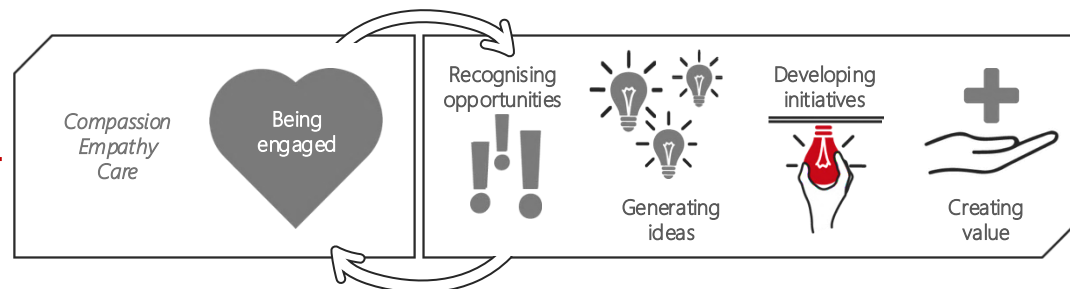
age 4 - 6

age 7 - 9

age 10 - 12



20 min



SUITABLE

- At the start of a social entrepreneurship project.
- To keep children motivated, even when things get a little difficult.

TIPS

- At first, everyone wants to have the perseverance badge. Go along with this for a moment. Only then can you really put it into practice.

MATERIALS

Neck cord with click buckle,
(laminated) perseverance badge

Source: gezondleven.be

STEP 1

Tell the children that during the project there may be moments when it feels like things are not going as planned, that things are moving more slowly than we would like, etc.
Make it clear that this is perfectly normal and that we have to learn to deal with it.

STEP 2

During the welcome circle, show the perseverance badge: a symbol that hangs from a lanyard with a click buckle.
Choose a symbol in advance that will convey the message: 'persevere!', 'don't give up!', 'hang in there!', and that will help the children during moments when things are not going so smoothly.

STEP 3

Discuss that a child who feels that things are not going well for them can tell the teacher. Encourage the children to explain why they need to use the perseverance badge. Help them find the words to express this. If a child asks for a perseverance badge without good reason, reassure them of their abilities: "You still have some strength left, use your own courage for a little while longer."

STEP 4

Give the perseverance badge to a child who needs it. The perseverance badge lets the other children know that they can help that child to persevere.
Ask for the perseverance badge back when the difficult phase is over.

STEP 5

Hang the perseverance badge in the classroom as a reminder for the children and regularly repeat the intention.



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Example PERSEVERANT

Context

Any activity or project.



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