## Counting Ways to be a Friend

**Time needed:** 30-40 minutes **Recommended Level:** PK-4

Categories: Awareness, Empowering

**Common Core Standard(s):** Speaking & Listening

**Purpose:** Students will compare and contrast

good and bad behavior choices.

## **DISCUSSION:**

Introduce the book *Billy Bully: A Schoolyard Counting Tale by Alvaro & Ana Galan*. While reading, identify the poor choices that Billy Bully makes with his friends and how it affects their friendship. Then draw attention to how he regains his friends. Record these behaviors on a chart, listing Good Choices and Bad Choices.

## **ACTIVITY:**

Give each student a piece of storybook paper. Talk about choices they can make to be a good friend. Have students complete the sentence: I will \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to be a good friend. Then, have them illustrate the sentence.

## **FOLLOW-UP:**

Make a class book titled "Counting Ways to Be a Friend" by putting all the students' ideas together.

