



LESSON: ON THE SHOULDER

Learning objectives:

- Identify those who have sacrificed for them.
- Explain what service, sacrifice, and patriotism.
- Understand the importance of their sacrifice that helped paved the way for them to learn, grow, and succeed.

Teacher Preparation:

- Have board or construction paper with three columns with the word Service, Sacrifice, and Patriotism.

Activity:

Students will identify words that they think best describes service, sacrifice, and patriotism. The students will then pick three heroes either from their community or from the storyboards provided. Students will discuss what made these individuals heroes and what they think they sacrificed. Next, ask students to think about their future plans and how they might reach these goals. Then ask the students how the service, sacrifice and patriotism of the heroes plays a part in their ability to reach their own goals.

Additional Activity:

Invite a guest speaker to talk about service, sacrifice, and patriotism and what it means to them. If you do not have a speaker that can come to the school, please feel free to reach out to Carry The Load to request one of our ambassadors to speak.

<https://www.carrytheload.org/site/SPageServer/?pagename=ambassadors>)



Resources:

Definitions:

- Service- the action of helping or doing work for someone.
- Sacrifice:-to give up (something important or valued) for the sake of others.
- Patriotism-the quality of being patriotic; devoting to and vigorous support for one's community and country.