



## Character Building Scenario 1

Read through each scenario and answer the questions that follow.

A junior athlete who has been a starter for the past two years is experiencing a serious reduction in playing time. The athlete has not suffered an injury or is not being benched because of a disciplinary action. The coach can sense the athlete's frustration. The athlete who at one time arrived early and stayed late for practice is now showing up right as practice is starting and leaving immediately once practice is over.

What character traits come into play during this scenario?

What action(s) would a great coach, great parent, or a great athlete take?

What action(s) would a poor coach, poor parent, or a poor athlete take?

What life lesson would you want to teach or learn?



## Character Building Scenario 2

During the off season an athlete has competed on a club team. During the club season the athlete experienced a great deal of individual success. The athlete who was surrounded by other great athletes also experienced a great deal of team success. During the regular season the athlete is playing a different position than they had played during the off season. Also the regular season team is suffering through a losing season.

What character traits come into play during this scenario?

What action(s) would a great coach, great parent, or a great athlete take?

What action(s) would a poor coach, poor parent, or a poor athlete take?

What life lesson would you want to teach or learn?



## Character Building Scenario 3

After three unsuccessful seasons the team finally has a winning record and has recently qualified for the conference championship game. Three weeks prior to the championship game the star player had been caught cheating on a test. The teacher unfortunately did not report the misconduct until the week of the championship game. The athletic handbook states that if a student-athlete is caught in such an act they will be suspended one game.

What character traits come into play during this scenario?

What action(s) would a great coach, great parent, or a great athlete take?

What action(s) would a poor coach, poor parent, or a poor athlete take?

What life lesson would you want to teach or learn?