The following resources have been selected to supplement the lessons in Young Women Manual 1 and provide Young Women leaders with updated general conference addresses, discussion questions, scripture references, and other resources that are applicable and relevant to issues young women face today. Prayerfully choose resources that will engage young women in learning and help them strengthen their faith and testimonies.

You may want to take more than one week to teach some of the lessons, and you should consider ways to reinforce the doctrine and gospel principles in these lessons during midweek activities. You can adjust the order of these lessons based on the needs of the young women or the counsel of priesthood leaders. Consider teaching lessons about the Savior during the Easter and Christmas seasons. In the week following each general conference and the general Young Women meeting, take time to discuss the recent words of the prophets, other General Authorities, and general Young Women leaders.

LESSON 1

A Daughter of God

Note to teachers: Be careful to ensure that young women understand the differing roles of God the Father and Jesus Christ. Consider using the full text under “God the Father” in True to the Faith (2004, 74–76), as well as the text under “Worship” (188–89), which is very helpful in explaining how to worship the Father.

Discussion Questions

- What are some qualities and attributes of our Father in Heaven? In what ways does His plan of salvation provide for our needs at every stage of life?
- In what ways can we increase our worship of Heavenly Father?

- How can knowing that we are daughters of a loving Heavenly Father help us stay true to gospel standards and understand our divine worth?
- How can we understand our true identity as daughters of God when the world sends us so many conflicting messages about who we are, how we came to be, what we should be, and what we should do?

Words of the Prophets


Additional General Conference Talks

- Mary N. Cook, “A Virtuous Life—Step by Step,” Ensign and Liahona, May 2009, 117–19. Consider using the first paragraph of this talk to emphasize to the young women that they are daughters of God.

Additional Resources

- “The Family: A Proclamation to the World,” Ensign and Liahona, Nov. 2010, 129; see also Young Women Personal Progress (2009), 101. Consider using the second and third paragraphs of the proclamation in the section of the lesson titled “You Were and Are Loved.”
- Young Women theme, Personal Progress, 3.
 LESSON 2

Jesus Christ, the Savior

Discussion Questions

- What would you say to someone who does not believe Latter-day Saints are Christians?
- In what ways can we show our gratitude for the Savior’s atoning sacrifice?

Words of the Prophets


Additional General Conference Talks


Lessons Resources


Media


Accept and Act

- Personal Progress: Divine Nature, value experience 1; Individual Worth, value experience 1.

LESSON 3

Following the Example of Jesus Christ

Discussion Questions

- As we partake of the sacrament every Sunday we are reminded to follow the example of Jesus Christ, but it is sometimes easy to become distracted by worldly influences throughout the week. What can we do to follow Christ’s example all week long?
- In what specific ways can we follow the example of Jesus Christ when we are at home and with our families?
- What can we do to influence our friends, family, and others to better follow the Savior’s example?

Words of the Prophets

beginning with, “Paul’s counsel, ‘Be thou an example of the believers, . . .’”

Additional General Conference Talks


Additional Resources

- 3 Nephi 12:48; Moroni 7:48.
- Preach My Gospel, Chapter 6: How Do I Develop Christlike Attributes?

Media

- Music: “I’m Trying to Be like Jesus,” Children’s Songbook, 78–79.
- Video: “Charity: An Example of the Believers.”

Accept and Act

- For the Strength of Youth (pamphlet, 2001), “Service to Others,” 38, or online at youth.lds.org. Make a list of everyday acts of kindness you can do for others.

Lesson 4

Seeking the Companionship of the Holy Ghost

Discussion Questions

- How do we feel impressions from the Holy Ghost? Do all people feel promptings and impressions in the same way?
- How can we qualify for the companionship, guidance, and protection of the Holy Ghost each day?

Words of the Prophets


Lesson 5

Finding Joy in Our Divine Potential

Note to teachers: In addition to a grandmother, mother, and young married sister, you may want to invite a single sister to speak to the young women about the joys of being a woman.

Discussion Questions

- How would you explain the concept of “divine potential” to a friend?
- How can the knowledge of our divine potential help us find happiness?
- How can we gain confidence in taking on the responsibilities of marriage and motherhood?
• How can our experiences on this earth prepare us to achieve our divine potential in the next life?

Additional General Conference Talks


Additional Resources

• Romans 8:16–17; Mosiah 2:41.

• Study by Topic: Eternal Life, lds.org/study/topics/eternal-life.

• Study by Topic: Women in the Church, lds.org/study/topics/women-in-the-church.

• Mormonads: Individual Worth.

Media

• Music: “Walk Tall, You’re a Daughter of God,” lds.org/youth/music.


• Video: “Significant in Every Way,” lds.org/youth/video.

Accept and Act

• Personal Progress: Divine Nature value experience 2; Individual Worth value experience 1; Individual Worth value experience 4.

• Consider having the young women study the proclamation on the family to learn more about the roles and divine potential of women.

LESSON 6

Finding Joy Now

Discussion Questions

• Many people seem to have a negative outlook on life. How can we avoid this attitude and help others look at things in a positive way?

• How does listening for and being aware of ideas or promptings from the Holy Ghost increase the potential for joy?

• How does trusting in our Heavenly Father and Jesus Christ affect the joy we feel in our lives?

• How do obeying the commandments and keeping covenants increase our happiness and joy?

Words of the Prophets

• Thomas S. Monson, “Finding Joy in the Journey,” *Ensign* and *Liahona*, Nov. 2008, 84–87. Consider using the paragraph beginning with, “This is our one and only chance . . .” as an introduction to the lesson.


Additional General Conference Talks

• Mary N. Cook, “Remember This: Kindness Begins with Me,” *Ensign* and *Liahona*, May 2011, 118–21. Consider using the paragraph beginning with, “We can follow the example of the good Samaritan . . .” in the section of the lesson titled “We Can Have Joy Now.”


Additional Resources

Lesson 7

Homemaking

Discussion Questions

• What kind of feeling do you want in your future home?
• What gifts and talents can help us contribute to a happy home now and in the future?
• What skills and attitudes do we need to further develop to have successful and happy homes?

Words of the Prophets


Additional General Conference Talks


Additional Resources

• “The Family: A Proclamation to the World,” Ensign and Liahona, Nov. 2010, 129; see also Young Women Personal Progress (2009), 101.

Media

• Art: Mary and Martha, Gospel Art Book (2009), 45.

• Video: Jeffrey R. Holland, “Motherhood: An Eternal Partnership with God,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages.
• Video: Dieter F. Uchtdorf, “Create,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages.

Accept and Act

• Personal Progress: Divine Nature value project, bullets 1 and 4; Knowledge value experience 2; Knowledge value project, bullets 1 and 5.
• Share with another young woman a quality you admire about her that will help her become a good mother.
• Invite a sister or sisters from your ward or branch to an activity meeting to teach homemaking skills or talents the young women would like to learn.

Lesson 8

Attitudes about Our Divine Roles

Discussion Questions

• With so many conflicting worldly views of women’s roles, how can we know and follow Heavenly Father’s plan for womanhood?
• How can following the prophets’ counsel to obtain an education help us fulfill our divine roles?

Words of the Prophets

• Quentin L. Cook, “LDS Women Are Incredible!” Ensign and Liahona, May 2011, 18–22. Consider using the three paragraphs beginning with, “We recognize that there are enormous forces arrayed . . .”

Additional General Conference Talks


• Silvia H. Allred, “Steadfast and Immovable,” *Ensign* and *Liahona*, Nov. 2010, 116–18. Consider using the paragraph beginning with, “I know that each of us has a vital and essential role . . .”


**Additional Resources**


**Media**


- Video: M. Russell Ballard, “Mothers and Daughters,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages for Youth.

- Video: Jeffrey R. Holland, “Motherhood: An Eternal Partnership with God,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages.

**Accept and Act**

- Personal Progress: Divine Nature value experience 3; Divine Nature value project, bullet 3.

- Invite the young women to read paragraph seven of the family proclamation and identify principles related to their divine roles.

**LESSON 9**

**Honoring Parents**

**Discussion Questions**

- What can you do to strengthen your relationship with your parents?

- How can we show respect to our parents and grandparents even when their beliefs or opinions are different than ours?

**Words of the Prophets**


**Additional General Conference Talks**


**Additional Resources**


- Mormonads: Family.

**Media**


- Video: M. Russell Ballard, “Mothers and Daughters,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages for Youth.

**Accept and Act**

- Personal Progress: Divine Nature value experience 5; Individual Worth value, project bullet 1; Virtue value experience 2.
LESSON 10
Supporting Family Members

Note to teachers: As you prepare this lesson, be sensitive to those class members who may not have a father, a mother, or siblings in their homes or who may have family members who are not active in the Church.

Discussion Questions

• Think about members of your family that need support right now. What can you do to show love and support for them?

• What can we do to love and support family members who may not be living the gospel?

Words of the Prophets


• L. Tom Perry, “Fatherhood, an Eternal Calling,” Ensign and Liahona, May 2004, 69–71. Consider using this talk to supplement the discussion about the role of fathers.

Additional General Conference Talks

• Richard J. Maynes, “Establishing a Christ-Centered Home,” Ensign and Liahona, May 2011, 37–39. Consider using the five paragraphs beginning with, “It is difficult to overstate the importance parents have . . .”


Additional Resources


• For the Strength of Youth (pamphlet, 2001), “Family,” 10–11, or online at youth.lds.org.

• Mormonads: Family.

Media

• Video: “Fathers and Sons,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages for Youth.

• Video: “Two Brothers Apart,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages for Youth.

• Video: “A Father Indeed,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages.

Accept and Act

• Personal Progress: Divine Nature value experience 3.

LESSON 11
Growing and Maturing in Self-Reliance, Part 1

Discussion Questions

• What does it mean to “govern yourself”? (See Young Women manual 1, 43).

• How does following the Lord’s standards help us govern ourselves?

• Becoming self-reliant also means learning to live providently. What does provident living mean?

• What does it mean to become spiritually self-reliant? How can we become more spiritually self-reliant?

Words of the Prophets


Additional General Conference Talks


sister was self-reliant enough to be able . . .” (110). If you replace the poem with the quotation, use Doctrine and Covenants 58:27–29 in the scripture discussion instead of Doctrine and Covenants 29:1–2.

**Additional Resources**
- Mormonads: Education, Finances.

**Media**

**Accept and Act**
- *For the Strength of Youth* (pamphlet, 2001), “Agency and Accountability,” 4–5, or online at youth.lds.org. Read the two paragraphs beginning with, “You are responsible for . . .” and decide how you can become spiritually and temporally self-reliant.
- Personal Progress: Choice and Accountability value experience 1.

**LESSON 12**
**Growing and Maturing in Self-Reliance, Part II**

**Discussion Questions**
- How can we strengthen our relationships with our parents?
- How can we keep our parents’ trust?
- How can we keep Heavenly Father’s trust?

**Words of the Prophets**

**Additional General Conference Talks**

**Additional Resources**
- 2 Nephi 28:30; Mosiah 4:27; Helaman 10:4–5; Doctrine and Covenants 42:42.

**Media**
- Video: Dieter F. Uchtdorf, “Continue in Patience,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages.

**Accept and Act**
- Personal Progress: Divine Nature value experience 5.

**LESSON 13**
**Sustaining Priesthood Bearers**

**Note to teachers:** You may consider teaching lesson 15, which gives an overview of the doctrine of the priesthood, before teaching this lesson. Young women will more fully respect and honor the priesthood if they understand the doctrine.

**Discussion Questions**
- How can you be a positive influence on the young men you know, especially those who hold the Aaronic Priesthood?
- Why is it important to respect and support the bishop? What keys does the bishop hold that can bless us and our families?

**Words of the Prophets**
Additional General Conference Talks


Additional Resources

- 3 Nephi 12:1; Doctrine and Covenants 1:37–38; Doctrine and Covenants 21:4–5; Doctrine and Covenants 68:2–4; Doctrine and Covenants 84:36–39; Doctrine and Covenants 124:144.

Media

- Video: *Strength of Youth Media 2011 DVD*, “Something Different about Us: Example.”

Accept and Act

- Invite your bishop or branch president to attend the lesson or activity night to answer questions about his responsibilities and explain how he can bless the lives of the young women through his calling.

LESSON 14

Patriarchal Leadership in the Home

Note to teachers: The young women in your class come from varied backgrounds and family situations. Some have fathers who are righteous patriarchs in their families. Others may have fathers who are not active in the Church or who are not members. Some may not have fathers in their homes. Be sensitive to each young woman’s situation. Regardless of present family situations, the objective of this lesson is to teach what the patriarchal order is and how a father, as patriarch in the home, can bless his family.

Discussion Questions

- How can the priesthood bless our lives now, regardless of our individual circumstances?
- What spiritual qualities should we seek in a husband? How can these qualities help him lead a family in righteousness?
- Consider your relationship with your Father in Heaven. How has He shown you His great care and love for you as an individual?

Words of the Prophets


Additional General Conference Talks


Additional Resources

- Exodus 20:12; 1 Nephi 1:1; 1 Nephi 16:18–25, 30–32.
- “The Family: A Proclamation to the World,” *Ensign* and *Liahona*, Nov. 2010, 129; see also *Young Women Personal Progress* (2009), 101. Use the family proclamation to find answers to the nine questions in the lesson.

Media

**LESSON 15**

**The Melchizedek Priesthood**

Note to teachers: Much of the material in this lesson focuses on the Melchizedek Priesthood. You may want to teach about the Aaronic Priesthood to the same degree. It is valuable for the young women to learn about the priesthood that young men their age hold and are learning about. You might also consider acquainting the young women with the oath and covenant of the priesthood.

**Discussion Questions**

- How has the priesthood blessed your life?
- Think of a priesthood holder you respect. Describe how he honors the priesthood and share why you respect him.

**Words of the Prophets**


**Additional Resources**

- Art: *Melchizedek Priesthood Restoration* (picture of Peter, James, and John restoring the Melchizedek Priesthood to Joseph Smith and Oliver Cowdery), *Gospel Art Book* (2009), 94.
- Study by Topic: *Priesthood*.

**Media**


**Accept and Act**

- Personal Progress: Integrity value experience 7.
- Invite each young woman to ask her father or a priesthood leader to share his personal testimony of the priesthood and how it blesses his family and affects his daily choices.

**LESSON 16**

**Women and Priesthood Bearers**

**Discussion Questions**

- What can you do to help your young men friends honor their priesthood, defend and preserve their virtue, and be ready for their future responsibilities?
- What can you do to help build the kingdom of God, now and in the future?

**Words of the Prophets**

- M. Russell Ballard, “Prepare and Think in Terms of the Future,” lds.org, Prophets and Apostles Speak Today. Consider reading the two paragraphs beginning with, “This year in August . . . ”

**Additional General Conference Talks**


**Additional Resources**

- 2 Timothy 1:2–7; Alma 56:45–48; Alma 57:19–21.

**Media**

- Video: Jeffrey R. Holland, “Motherhood: An Eternal Partnership with God,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages.
Accept and Act

- With the approval and recommendation of the bishop or branch president, invite one or a few young men to share how their Aaronic Priesthood experiences are helping them prepare for their future responsibilities, such as a mission, marriage, and supporting a family. Ask them to share how young women can support them in their priesthood and future responsibilities. You may want to ask the Young Women president to consult with the bishop about which young man or young men to invite.

Lesson 17

The Purpose of Covenants and Ordinances

Discussion Questions

- What are the purposes of ordinances and covenants?
- How can some kinds of activities or interests keep us from honoring our covenants with God?

Words of the Prophets

- David A. Bednar, “Receive the Holy Ghost,” Ensign and Liahona, Nov. 2010, 94–97. Consider using the three paragraphs beginning with, “Baptism by immersion is . . .” in the section of the lesson titled “When We Receive Priesthood Ordinances, We Make Sacred Covenants.”
- David A. Bednar, “That We May Always Have His Spirit to Be with Us,” Ensign and Liahona, May 2006, 28–29.

Additional General Conference Talks

- Mervyn B. Arnold, “What Have You Done with My Name?” Ensign and Liahona, Nov. 2010, 105–7. Consider using the first three paragraphs beginning with, “When President George Albert Smith was young . . .” in the section of the lesson titled “We Are Responsible for Keeping the Covenants We Make with the Lord.”
- Mary N. Cook, “Be an Example of the Believers,” Ensign and Liahona, Nov. 2010, 80–82. Consider using the three paragraphs beginning with, “Next, be an example of the believers in purity . . .” in the section of the lesson titled “When We Receive Priesthood Ordinances, We Make Sacred Covenants.”

Additional Resources

- 1 Nephi 22:11; Alma 13:8, 16.
- Quotations by Church leaders: ordinances and covenant, lds.org.

Media

- Video: Elaine S. Dalton, “Return to Virtue,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages for Youth.

Accept and Act

- Personal Progress: Faith value experience 4; Divine Nature value experience 4.

Lesson 18

Temple Marriage—Requirement for Eternal Family Life

Discussion Questions

- In what ways does a temple marriage bless a family?
- What can you do now to prepare to be married and sealed in the temple?

Words of the Prophets

marriage is debated . . .” as an introduction to the lesson.

Additional General Conference Talks


Additional Resources


- Mormonads: Marriage.

Media


- Art: *Young Couple Going to the Temple*, Gospel Art Book (2009), 120.

- Video: Elaine S. Dalton, “Return to Virtue,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages for Youth.

Accept and Act

- Personal Progress: Choice and Accountability value experience 6; Integrity value experience 1.

- Invite the bishop or branch president to teach the young women about temple recommend interviews (see *True to the Faith* [2004], 172).

LESSON 19

Personal Records

Discussion Questions

- What blessings from the Lord could we record in our journals? How can recording these blessings remind us of the Lord’s love for us?

- Who else might be blessed when we keep personal records? How?

Words of the Prophets


Additional General Conference Talks


Additional Resources


- Mormonad: “Choose to Write.”


Media


Accept and Act

- For three weeks, every night before going to sleep, ponder Elder Henry B. Eyring’s question, “Did God send a message that was just for me? Did I see His hand in my life?” (*Ensign* and *Liahona*, Nov. 2007, 69). Record these experiences in your journal.

- Review your Personal Progress journal. How has your testimony grown in the past six months? What have you learned?
**LESSON 20**

**Reach Out to Others**

**Discussion Questions**
- In what ways can we reach out to others and encourage their activity in Church meetings?
- How can we overcome our own self-consciousness to reach out to others?

**Words of the Prophets**
- M. Russell Ballard, “Finding Joy through Loving Service,” *Ensign* and *Liahona*, May 2011, 46–49. Consider using the four paragraphs beginning with, “Another place where we have ample opportunity…” in the section of the lesson titled “We Can Reach Out to Others.”

**Additional General Conference Talks**

**Additional Resources**
- Matthew 25:40; Luke 15:4–7; 1 Thessalonians 2:7–8; Mosiah 2:17; Mosiah 18:8–9; Moroni 7:45–48; Doctrine and Covenants 81:5.

**Media**
- Video: “Charity: An Example of the Believers.”
- Video: Thomas S. Monson, “Have I Done Any Good in the World Today?” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages.
- Video: Strength of Youth Media 2011 DVD, “Inviting All to Come unto Christ: Sharing the Gospel.”
- Video: “For Madison,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages for Youth.

**Accept and Act**
- Personal Progress: Individual Worth value experience 3.
- Activity: Gather the young women (you may include the young men as well) and read pages 12 and 13 of *For the Strength of Youth* (pamphlet, 2001) as a group. Discuss friendship and how to be a good friend.

**LESSON 21**

**A Righteous Example Influences Others**

**Discussion Questions**
- How do your friends react when you live Church standards? How can you respond if they label your obedience as being self-righteous?
- What are some ways you can respond to others who may tease you or put you down for living Church standards?
- How does our honesty with others impact our relationships with them?

**Words of the Prophets**
- Quentin L. Cook, “LDS Women Are Incredible!” *Ensign* and *Liahona*, May 2011, 18–21. Consider using the three paragraphs beginning with, “When I was recently assigned…” in the section of the lesson titled “A Good Example Can Bring Joy to Many People.”
- Russell M. Nelson, “Be Thou an Example of the Believers,” *Ensign* and *Liahona*, Nov. 2010, 47–49. Consider using the paragraph beginning with, “In a letter to one of his most trusted companions…” in the section of the lesson titled “The Scriptures Stress the Importance of Example.”
paragraphs beginning with, “The thirteenth article of faith begins . . .” in the section of the lesson titled “A Righteous Example Can Influence Others.”

Additional General Conference Talks

- Mary N. Cook, “Be an Example of the Believers,” Ensign and Liahona, Nov. 2010, 80–82. Consider using the four paragraphs beginning with, “Now, may I say a word to the marvelous youth . . .” in the section of the lesson titled “A Righteous Example Can Influence Others.”

Additional Resources

- 2 Nephi 31:9, 16; Alma 17:11; Alma 39:11; 3 Nephi 18:16; Moroni 7:10.
- Quotations by Church leaders: example.

Media

- Music: “We Believe,” lds.org/youth/music.
- Video: “I’m a Young Woman, and I Believe,” lds.org/youth/video.
- Video: “No Cussing Club,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages for Youth.
- Video: “Charity: An Example of the Believers.”

Accept and Act

- Personal Progress: Good Works value experience 7.

LESSON 23

Forgiveness

Discussion Questions

- What does it mean to forgive others? Why is it important to forgive others?
- How can we forgive someone who has really hurt us?
- How have you felt when you have forgiven someone? How have you felt when someone has forgiven you?

Words of the Prophets

reading the eight paragraphs beginning with, “A young couple . . .”


Additional General Conference Talks


Additional Resources


Media


Accept and Act

- Personal Progress: Integrity value experience 2.

Lesson 24

Prayer and Meditation

Discussion Questions

- What does it mean to pray with real intent?
- How can we be more committed to act on answers we receive? (See Preach My Gospel, 2004, 73.)

Words of the Prophets

- Boyd K. Packer, “Prayer and Promptings,” Ensign and Liahona, Nov. 2009, 43–47. Consider reading the two paragraphs beginning with, “Pray even if you are young and wayward . . .”

Additional General Conference Talks


Additional Resources

- True to the Faith (2004), 119. This entry identifies the proper language to use when praying.
- Mormonads: Prayer.

Media

- Music: “Sweet Hour of Prayer,” Hymns, no. 142; “Prayer is the Soul’s Sincere Desire,” Hymns, no. 145.
- Video: Elaine S. Dalton, “You’re Never Alone.”

Accept and Act

- Personal Progress: Integrity value experience 2; Divine Nature value experience 3; Choice and Accountability value experience 1.

Lesson 25

Sabbath Day

Discussion Questions

- How can we best evaluate what is appropriate and uplifting to do on the Sabbath?
- In what ways can the Sabbath be a “day of rest”?
What blessings are available to us as we keep the Sabbath day holy? (See Doctrine and Covenants 59:9–21.)

How can the way we dress affect our worship and activities on the Sabbath?

Words of the Prophets


Additional General Conference Talks


Additional Resources

- For the Strength of Youth (pamphlet, 2001), “Sabbath Day Observance,” 32–33, or online at youth.lds.org.

Media

- Music: “‘Tis Sweet to Sing the Matchless Love,” Hymns, no. 177; “Welcome, Welcome, Sabbath Morning,” Hymns, no. 280.
- Video: “Remembering the Sacrament,” lds.org/youth/video.
- Video: “The Miracle of Personal Progress,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages for Youth.

Accept and Act

- Personal Progress: Faith value experience 3.

Lesson 26

Testimony

Discussion Questions

- What is a testimony? Why is it important to continually strengthen our testimonies?
- How can we share our testimonies with others without saying, “I want to bear my testimony”?

Words of the Prophets


Additional General Conference Talks


Additional Resources

- Alma 5:45–46; Alma 34:8; Doctrine and Covenants 62:3; Doctrine and Covenants 76:19–24; Doctrine and Covenants 80:4; Doctrine and Covenants 84:61.
- Mormonad: “Without a Doubt.”

Media

LESSON 27
Scripture Study
Discussion Questions
• What are some of the blessings that come as a result of scripture study? (See 1 Nephi 15:24.)
• In what ways will scripture study help us in our lives? (See 2 Nephi 32:3.)

Words of the Prophets

Additional General Conference Talks

Additional Resources
• 1 Nephi 15:23–25; 2 Nephi 4:15; 2 Nephi 31:20; Alma 17:2; 3 Nephi 23:6–14; 3 Nephi 26:1–2; Doctrine and Covenants 1:37; Doctrine and Covenants 10:43–52; Doctrine and Covenants 18:34–36.
• Mormonad: “Questions? Answers.”

Media

LESSON 28
Resisting Sin
Discussion Questions
• How can we strengthen our ability to resist temptation?
• What scriptures have given you strength to resist temptation?

Words of the Prophets

Additional General Conference Talks

Additional Resources
• Study by Topic: Temptation.
• Mormonads: Temptation, Obedience.

Media
• Music: “As Zion’s Youth in Latter Days,” Hymns, no. 256; “True to the Faith,” Hymns, no. 254; “Dare to Do Right,” Children’s Songbook, 158.
• Video: Boyd K. Packer, “Counsel to Youth,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages.
• Video: Dallin H. Oaks, “Within Bounds.”

Accept and Act
• Personal Progress: Divine Nature value experience 5; Choice and Accountability value experience 2.

Lesson 29
The Second Coming
Discussion Questions
• How can we remain calm and at peace when some of the signs of the Second Coming seem troubling?
• How can we make preparations to be ready when the Savior comes again?

Words of the Prophets

Additional General Conference Talks

Additional Resources
• Study by Topic: Second Coming of Jesus Christ.

• Gospel Principles (2009), Chapter 43: “Signs of the Second Coming.”

Media
• Music: “Come, O Thou King of Kings,” Hymns, no. 59; “Jesus, Once of Humble Birth,” Hymns, no. 196; “When He Comes Again,” Children’s Songbook, 82.
• Video: “They that Are Wise,” lds.org/media-library.

Accept and Act
• Consider recording answers to the following questions in your journal: In what areas of my life am I prepared for the Second Coming? What areas of my life need improvement?

Lesson 30
Service
Discussion Questions
• How can we learn to be more thoughtful of the feelings and needs of others?
• What are some ways we can serve our families, friends, and communities?
• How does service bless both the giver and the receiver?
• How might the intentions of our hearts affect how we serve?

Words of the Prophets

*Addition General Conference Talks*

• Mary N. Cook, “Remember This: Kindness Begins with Me,” *Ensign* and *Liahona*, May 2011, 118–21.

*Additional Resources*

• Mosiah 2:17; Mosiah 4:16–21, 26–27; Alma 34:28–29; 3 Nephi 12:40–44.

*Media*

• Music: “Have I Done Any Good?” *Hymns*, no. 223; “Each Life That Touches Ours for Good,” *Hymns*, no. 223
• Video: “For Madison,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages for Youth.
• Video: *Strength of Youth Media 2011 DVD*, “We Believe in Doing Good to All Men: Service.”
• Video: Thomas S. Monson, “Have I Done Any Good in the World Today?” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages.

*Accept and Act*

• Personal Progress: Divine Nature value experience 2; Good Works value experience 2; Good Works value experience 5; Good Works value experience 6; Good Works value project, bullet 5.

**LESSON 31**

*Group Activities: A Basis for Wise Dating*

*Discussion Questions*

• Why have youth been counseled to avoid going on frequent dates with the same person?
• There may be times when you are pressured to go against the counsel of the prophet in regard to early or steady dating. What can you do or say in these situations to remain true to the Lord’s standards?
• How can following Church dating standards bless your life?

*Words of the Prophets*


*Additional General Conference Talks*


*Additional Resources*

• Jacob 2:28; Doctrine and Covenants 87:8.
• New Era Special Issue: Dating, Apr. 2010.
• Questions and Answers: Dating, youth.lds.org.
• Mormonads: Dating.

*Media*

• Video: “Virtue: For Such a Time as This,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages.

*Accept and Act*

• Personal Progress: Choice and Accountability value project, bullet 1

**LESSON 32**

*Personal Purity through Self-Discipline*

*Discussion Questions*

• How can deciding now to stay morally clean help you maintain personal purity?
• In what ways do music and other forms of entertainment influence our thoughts and actions?
• How can our thoughts and actions influence what kind of women we become?
• What are some ways we can develop stronger self-discipline?

**Words of the Prophets**


• L. Tom Perry, “Thy Speech Reveals Thee,” *New Era*, July 2007, 2–5. Consider using the five paragraphs beginning with, “To anyone who has followed the practice . . .” in the section of the lesson titled “We Can Learn to Discipline Ourselves.”

**Additional General Conference Talks**


**Additional Resources**

• Jacob 2:28; Mosiah 4:30; Alma 38:12; Moroni 10:30; Doctrine and Covenants 10:5; Doctrine and Covenants 121:45–46; Articles of Faith 1:13.


• For the Strength of Youth (pamphlet, 2001), “Entertainment and the Media,” 17–19, or online at youth.lds.org.

• For the Strength of Youth (pamphlet, 2001), “Language,” 22–23, or online at youth.lds.org.

• For the Strength of Youth (pamphlet, 2001), “Sexual Purity,” 26–28, or online at youth.lds.org.

• Mormonads: Language, Media, Music, Self-discipline.

**Media**


• Video: *Strength of Youth Media 2011 DVD*, “Honest, True, Chaste, Benevolent, Virtuous: Values.”

• Video: “Guardians of Virtue,” lds.org/youth/video.

• Video: “No Cussing Club,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages for Youth.

• “Worthy Music, Worthy Thoughts” videos, lds.org.

**Accept and Act**

• Personal Progress: Integrity value experiences 1 and 2.

**Lesson 33**

**Avoiding Degrading Media Influences**

**Discussion Questions**

• What are some indications that we are spending too much time watching TV, playing video games, texting on cell phones, using social media and the Internet, or using other forms of media? (Note: As you consider how to use these questions, think about the circumstances of the young women in your ward and adapt the questions accordingly.)

• How can you help your friends understand and respect your personal media standards?

• All forms of media are tools. How can we use such tools to bless our lives and the lives of others? How can these tools be harmful or detrimental?

• How have you used Church media sites, such as youth.lds.org?

• How can we share the gospel using social media?
Words of the Prophets

- Thomas S. Monson, “True to the Faith,” *Ensign* and *Liahona*, May 2006, 18–21. Consider using the four paragraphs beginning with, “Next, the evil one also dangles before us . . .”

Additional General Conference Talks


Additional Resources

- Moroni 7:12–17; Doctrine and Covenants 25:10; Doctrine and Covenants 45:32; Articles of Faith 1:13.
- Mormonads: Media, Music.

Accept and Act

- Personal Progress: Choice and Accountability value experience 5; Choice and Accountability value experience 6; Choice and Accountability value project, bullet 3.

Leon 34

Worthy Thoughts

Discussion Questions

- We may sometimes find ourselves in settings where we are surrounded by words that are offensive to us. What can we do to remove these words from our thoughts?
- How can the music we listen to and the visual media we see affect our thoughts? How do our thoughts affect our actions?

Words of the Prophets

- Jeffrey R. Holland, “The Tongue of Angels,” *Ensign* and *Liahona*, May 2007, 16–18. Consider reading the paragraph beginning with, “In all of this, I suppose it goes without saying . . .”
- Jeffrey R. Holland, “Place No More for the Enemy of My Soul,” *Ensign* and *Liahona*, May 2010, 44–46. Consider using the two paragraphs beginning with, “Like thieves in the night . . .”

Additional General Conference Talks


Additional Resources

- Proverbs 23:7; Mosiah 4:30; Alma 12:14; Alma 37:36; Doctrine and Covenants 6:36; Doctrine and Covenants 25:12.
- Mormonads: Music, Thoughts.

Media

- Video: “No Cussing Club,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages for Youth.

Accept and Act

- Personal Progress: Choice and Accountability value project, bullet 3. For a weekday activity, consider reading from the hymnbook, “Music in our Personal Lives,” First Presidency Preface. Sing several of your favorite hymns. Consider memorizing a hymn as a class.

Leon 35

Living Righteously Amid Pressures

Discussion Questions

- How can our desires affect our choices?
• How can you respond to people who harass or make fun of you because of your beliefs or standards?
• How can you be a good example to friends who are not living the standards without being annoying or coming across as self-righteous?

Words of the Prophets


Additional General Conference Talks


Additional Resources

• 1 Timothy 4:12; 1 Nephi 15:34; 2 Nephi 31:16; Alma 17:11; 3 Nephi 12:16; 3 Nephi 18:24.

Media

• Music: “True to the Faith,” Hymns, no. 254; “Choose the Right,” Hymns, no. 239.
• Mormon Messages for Youth videos, lds.org/media-library.

Accept and Act

• Personal Progress: Choice and Accountability value experience 2; Integrity value experience 1; Integrity value experience 2; Integrity value experience 5.

LESSON 36

The Importance of Truth in Living a Virtuous Life

Discussion Questions

• What are some gospel truths and standards that the world distorts?
• How can we explain living the law of chastity, a sacred and sensitive topic, to friends who may not believe the same way?
• What does integrity mean? What are the blessings of living true to what you know is right?

Words of the Prophets


Additional General Conference Talks


Additional Resources


Media

Caring for Our Physical Bodies

Discussion Questions

• In what ways will caring for your body now affect your future health? How will developing healthy habits in your teens prepare you to bear and raise children?
• What are some ways that people in the world harm their bodies? In times of temptation to misuse our bodies, how can we respect them instead?
• How can good physical health contribute to good emotional health?
• How is our agency compromised when we don’t take care of our bodies?
• How do eating disorders jeopardize health, feeling the Spirit, and the future?

Words of the Prophets


Additional General Conference Talks


Additional Resources


Nutrition and the Word of Wisdom

Discussion Questions

• Peers, the media, and others often tell us we need to look a certain way. How can following good nutrition standards and the Word of Wisdom help us feel healthy and confident?
• Why do you think the Word of Wisdom promises both physical and spiritual blessings? In what ways have you experienced the promised blessings of the Word of Wisdom?

Words of the Prophets


Additional General Conference Talks


• Elaine S. Dalton, “Guardians of Virtue,” *Ensign* and *Liahona*, May 2011, 121–24. Consider reading the paragraph beginning with, “What can each of you do to be a guardian of virtue?”

**Additional Resources**


• Mormonads: Word of Wisdom.

**Media**

• Music: “Walk His Way,” lds.org/youth/music.


**Accept and Act**

• Personal Progress: Good Works value experience 2.

**Lesson 39**

**Drug Abuse**

**Discussion Questions**

• How might taking a stand against the use of harmful substances affect others around you?

• What effects can drug abuse have on your future? Schooling? Marriage? Motherhood? Occupation? Physical health?

• What are some ways we can avoid the temptation of substance abuse? How can we ensure we never become addicted to any substance?

• Where can we turn for help if we or our friends are involved in abusing drugs?

**Words of the Prophets**

• Thomas S. Monson, “True to the Faith,” *Ensign* and *Liahona*, May 2006, 18–21. Consider reading the two paragraphs beginning with, “Each one of us has a body that has been entrusted . . .”

• Boyd K. Packer, “Counsel to Young Men,” *Ensign* and *Liahona*, May 2009, 49–52. This talk provides an answer to the fourth discussion question. Consider reading the paragraph beginning with, “Avoid the deadly poisons . . .”


**Additional General Conference Talks**


**Additional Resources**

• Daniel 1; 2 Nephi 15:20; Moroni 10:30; Doctrine and Covenants 59:17–20; Doctrine and Covenants 89:4.

• *For the Strength of Youth* (pamphlet, 2001), “Physical Health,” 36–37, or online at youth.lds.org.

• Provident Living, *Addiction Recovery Program*, providentliving.org. This can provide answers to the fourth discussion question.

• Provident Living, *Articles on Substance Abuse*, providentliving.org. These articles can provide answers to the fourth discussion question.

**Media**

• Music: “As Zion’s Youth in Latter Days,” *Hymns*, no. 256.

• Art: Daniel Refusing the King’s Food and Wine, *Gospel Art Book* (2009), 23.


**Accept and Act**

• *For the Strength of Youth* (pamphlet, 2001), “Message from the First Presidency,” 2–3. Make a list of the blessings promised when we are obedient to the commandments of God. Consider
sharing this list with your family, a class member, or a Young Women leader.

- With the approval of your bishop, consider inviting a qualified professional to a midweek activity to speak with the youth and their parents about this topic.

**Lesson 40**

**Health Care in the Home**

Note to teachers: Consider teaching this lesson as a midweek activity rather than during Sunday instruction.

**Additional Resources**

- Video: “In Sickness and Health,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages.

**Lesson 41**

**The Ability to Succeed**

**Discussion Questions**

- The Young Women theme says, “We are daughters of our Heavenly Father who loves us.” How can this knowledge give us confidence? How does knowing we are daughters of God affect our goals?

- How would you define success? How does your definition of success differ from the world’s definition of success?

- How is success determined by our desires and our efforts?

**Words of the Prophets**


- Dieter F. Uchtdorf, “Have We Not Reason to Rejoice?” Ensign and Liahona, Nov. 2007, 18–21. Consider using portions of this article to strengthen the conclusion of the lesson.

**Additional General Conference Talks**


**Additional Resources**

- Proverbs 31:10–31; Doctrine and Covenants 58:27–28; Doctrine and Covenants 103:36; Doctrine and Covenants 104:82; Doctrine and Covenants 121:7–8; Doctrine and Covenants 128:22; Moses 1:39.

**Media**


- Video: Dieter F. Uchtdorf, “Continue in Patience,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages.


**Accept and Act**

- Personal Progress: Individual Worth value experience 7

**Lesson 42**

**Courage to Try**

Note to teachers: This lesson focuses on courage to try and learn new and uplifting things, as well as courage to persist in difficult situations. Be sure the young women do not confuse this courage with daring to do that which is foolhardy or unrighteous.
Discussion Questions

- What worthwhile experiences have you had that required you to exhibit courage?
- How does preparation help develop confidence and courage to try something new?
- What future experiences might make us feel intimidated? What can we do to have courage to face these experiences?

Words of the Prophets

- Thomas S. Monson, “May You Have Courage,” 
- Thomas S. Monson, “The Call for Courage,” 

Additional General Conference Talks

- Mary N. Cook, “Never, Never, Never Give Up!” 

Additional Resources

- For the Strength of Youth (pamphlet, 2001), “Message from the First Presidency,” 2–3, or online at youth.lds.org.
- Joshua 1:6–7; 1 Samuel 17; 2 Timothy 1:7; Alma 17:6–16; Alma 56:41–48, 54–56; Helaman 5:12; Doctrine and Covenants 6:36.
- Mormonad: “Stand Out.”

Media

- Video: “Great Expectations for Youth of Church,” 
  Prophets and Apostles Speak Today.
- Video: Elaine S. Dalton, “You’re Never Alone.”

Accept and Act

- Personal Progress: Integrity value experience 3.

Righteous Living

Discussion Questions

- How does the Lord’s way of recognizing self-worth differ from the world’s way?
- In what ways can we increase our confidence before the Lord?
- What does it mean to have confidence before the Lord?

Words of the Prophets

- Thomas S. Monson, “Priesthood Power,” *Ensign* and *Liahona*, May 2011, 66–69. Consider using the seven paragraphs beginning with, “We have come to earth in troubled times . . .”

Additional General Conference Talks

- Mary N. Cook, “A Virtuous Life—Step by Step,” 

Additional Resources

- 1 John 2:28; 2 Nephi 22:2; Mosiah 2:41; Doctrine and Covenants 121:45; Doctrine and Covenants 130:20–21.

Media

- Video: Richard G. Scott, “How Can I Find Happiness?”
LESSON 44

Using Time Wisely

Discussion Questions

- What guidelines might help us prioritize the demands on our time?
- In what ways might better time management affect our lives?
- How can we overcome the tendency to procrastinate?
- What is the difference between idleness and rest?

Words of the Prophets


Additional Resources

- Ecclesiastes 3:2–8; Alma 34:33; Alma 42:4; Doctrine and Covenants 58:26–28; Doctrine and Covenants 60:13; Doctrine and Covenants 88:124.
- Mormonads: Idleness, Procrastination.

Media

- Video: Henry B. Eyring, “Choose This Day,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages.

Accept and Act

- Personal Progress: Knowledge value experience 1.

LESSON 45

The Value of Work

Discussion Questions

- How is work a blessing in our lives? What is the relationship between work and success in various areas of life?
- Why is the principle of work important to successful marriages and families?
- How does working together in a spirit of unity and cooperation build family relationships?
- How could a good work ethic affect other areas of our lives?

Words of the Prophets


Additional Resources

- Website: Happiness in Family Life: Work, lds.org/family/work.
- Website: Self-Reliance, lds.org/topic/self-reliance.

Media

LESSON 46

The Purpose and Value of Education

Discussion Questions

- Why is it important to gain an education?
- How can a good education help us in the future?
- How can getting an education better prepare us to be wives and mothers?
- How are education and learning lifelong processes?
- In what ways can a spiritual education support the other aspects of our education?

Words of the Prophets

- Dieter F. Uchtdorf, “Two Principles for Any Economy,” Ensign and Liahona, Nov. 2009, 55–58. Consider using the three paragraphs beginning with, “For members of the Church . . .” in the section of the lesson titled “We Have Been Counseled to Get an Education.”

Additional Resources

- For the Strength of Youth (pamphlet, 2001), “Education,” 9, or online at youth.lds.org.

LESSON 47

Encouraging the Development of Talents

Note to teachers: Be aware that the life of Vincent van Gogh was not exemplary. If a young woman mentions this, explain that this discussion is based on the development of his talents and the support he received and not his life in general.

Discussion Questions

- How can we recognize and develop the gifts and talents we’ve been given?
- How can we encourage the development of talents we see in our family and friends?
- How can we increase our ability to be genuinely happy for the gifts and talents of others?

Words of the Prophets


Additional General Conference Talks


Additional Resources


• *For the Strength of Youth* (pamphlet, 2001), “Agency and Accountability,” 5, or online at youth.lds.org.

• Mormonad: “Make Yourself Useful.”

**Media**

• Video: Dieter F. Uchtdorf, “Create,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages.


• Video: “A Work in Progress,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages for Youth.

**Accept and Act**

• Personal Progress: Divine Nature value experience 6; Knowledge value experience 2.

**Lesson 48**

**Short-Range Goals as Stepping Stones**

**Discussion Questions**

• How do you feel when you accomplish a goal? How does accomplishing goals increase confidence?

• How can the Personal Progress program help you set and accomplish important goals in your life?

• What are some things we can do to accomplish the goals we set for ourselves?

• How can prayer and the Spirit help us set and accomplish goals?

• Why should setting and achieving goals be a lifelong process?

• How can we help and encourage others to accomplish their goals?

**Words of the Prophets**


**Additional General Conference Talks**


**Additional Resources**


• Pamphlet: *Pursuit of Excellence*, order at store.lds.org.


• Mormonads: Goals.

**Media**


• Video: “Look Not Behind Thee,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages.

• Video: “The Miracle of Personal Progress,” lds.org/media-library, Mormon Messages for Youth.

**Accept and Act**

• Consider asking the young women to bring their Personal Progress books to a weekend activity and sharing with other young women and leaders what they are doing to accomplish their goals. Consider how young women could mentor each other in reaching their goals.
Lessons 49

Delegating Responsibility

Discussion Questions

- What leadership skills will help us “carry on the responsibility of building the kingdom of God”? *(For the Strength of Youth [pamphlet, 2001], 3).*
- In what ways might delegating tasks to others help us better fulfill our responsibilities?
- What are some qualities that an effective delegator might have?
- What can we do when others do not follow through with their delegated tasks?

Words of the Prophets


Additional General Conference Talks


Additional Resources

- Exodus 18:13–26; Esther 3–4; 1 Nephi 3:4–7; Jacob 1:1–4, 8; Mosiah 4:27.
- Mormonad: “Pull Together.”

Media


Accept and Act

- Personal Progress: Knowledge value project, bullet 4; Integrity value project, bullets 1 and 3.

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