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be a good contributing member of my community, I need to have a few specific personal qualities. The first is to be dependable so people can count on me, and I will need to keep my word. If I say that I'm going to help someone, I will need to keep that promise. Another quality is to always do my best. This will show that I care and that I'm a respectable person.

If I want to be a good contributing member of my school, I need to be a good sport and example for the rest of my class and school. The key to success is to be friendly, positive, and encouraging. Participating in before school activities like the Dr. Seuss breakfast, and after school activities like Running Club, Talent Show, and Theater Club practices are good ways to be a part of my school community. Taking part in fundraisers such as Hoops for Heart and the annual clothing drives helps raise money to buy useful things for our school.

To be helpful in my township community, I can clean up trash and recycle to keep my town beautiful. Supporting local farms and businesses is another good way to serve my township. Some ways to make my neighbors' and friends' lives easier are to shovel their snow, run errands for them, and clean up their garden and plant fruit, vegetables, and flowers.

These are the things that I need to do to be a good contributing member of my community, whether in my school or in my township.