

## Making Good Ripples

In Jacqueline Woodson's book, *Each Kindness*, she states, "Each little thing goes out, like a ripple, into the world." I try to do good things, even if it is a little action, so I make ripples that are good. Good ripples help make positive relationships.

Having integrity helps me build positive relationships with my uncle and the customers at his food truck and with my great-grandparents. My uncle depends on me, and I have to be polite and kind to the customers. At my great-grandparents, I have to be caring and understanding because they are ninety-six and sometimes need help with things.

My uncle can depend on me because I am trustworthy with the money and food. That helps us have a positive relationship. When I work with his customers, I take my time to make sure that I get the orders right. I also tell them to have a good day when they leave. Hopefully, the experience that I have with them makes their day better.

I visit my great-grandparents every week. When I am there, I make sure to be caring and understanding. If I say something and they don't hear it, I repeat myself, and I listen when they talk. I also help with the dishes sometimes. I play where they can see me so they can be entertained since they don't have much to do during the week. When I leave, I say "I love you" so they will feel happy and loved.

I feel that positive relationships are important in every situation. "Be the reason someone smiles. Be the reason someone feels loved and believes in the goodness in people," is a quote by Roy T. Bennett. I try to do that to build positive relationships with everyone I meet.

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