Character and Life Skills

Pre-Viewing and Discussion Questions

Lesson Title: Corporate to Negotiate

Grade Level: High School

Pre-viewing: Before watching...

- 1. How do you define cooperation?
- 2. Bertrand Russell is quoted as saying, "The only thing that will redeem mankind is cooperation." What does it mean to "redeem mankind"?
- 3. Do you agree with Bertrand Russell's statement? Why or why not?
- **4.** What gets in the way of people cooperating sometimes? What are some ways these challenges can be overcome in order to accomplish something important?
- **5.** On a scale of one to ten, ten being the most important, how important do you think cooperation is as a trait? Why?
- 6. What are the benefits of working with others?

Discussion Questions: After watching...

- 1. Why is this video call Cooperation?
- 2. William O Howland, Director of DC Department of Public Works, says about the movement to clean up Washington, D.C., "Right now is the time to make a change. I'm asking everyone, young and old...to get involved to make a change." How will his plan involve cooperation?
- 3. How does the motto, "Not in our D.C." infer cooperation?
- **4.** Eugene Burrell, Thandiway's father, says that he wants young people—and everyone else—to take pride in the city as he does. As he asks his son, "Who else will take care of it?" Do you think this is an important lesson for a parent to pass down? Explain.
- **5.** If cooperation is an action among two or more people, how can one person's actions be considered "cooperating"?
- **6.** What is the difference between cooperation and responsibility? Can we have one without the other? Explain.