

## AMI #2

### Understandings:

- A mature individual seeks wisdom before acting, which allows them to handle unfavorable situations in a professional manner.
- A mature individual's decisions are based on character, not feeling.
- Maturity creates a positive environment at home, school, and work, allowing individuals to accomplish their goals and tasks.
- Maturity is an expected skill in the workplace, especially when excellence is expected at work.
- Maturity is based on our abilities to control our emotions.
- Impulse: a sudden strong and unreflective urge or desire to act

### Define the following terms:

1. Maturity -
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. Impulse –

### Read the following:

Hal hated Charlie, everything about him, from his knowing sneer to his rolling swagger. When he saw him enter the restaurant with Keith, he wished fervently (*very strongly*) he could get away and considered getting up and walking out of the breakfast meeting, without a word to either of his two former partners but then he garnered (*gather or collect*) his faculties (*mental and physical powers*) and decided to accept this reality. He would choose how to respond, and his choice would be to be cordial (*pleasant*) and cooperative (*working together for a common purpose*). He felt a surge of strength as he realized that handling himself in a dignified manner

with both these men would be a bigger personal victory than if he met with Keith alone. -  
Excerpt from *The Hero's Choice: Living from the Inside Out*

Things to think about:

Hal paused to gather his thoughts before he responded. This allowed him to demonstrate great maturity and professionalism.

### **Answer the following questions:**

1. Have you ever been in a situation, seeing someone that they would prefer to avoid?
2. How would you act in Hal's position?
3. Would they leave?
4. Do you agree this is a victory?
5. What would have happened if Hal followed his first gut feeling and left?
6. What would the two men have thought of him?
7. I demonstrate maturity at home by (name 2 ways):
8. I demonstrate maturity at school or work by (name 2 ways):

## Mature or Immature Scenarios

**Read each statement and decide if the action is mature or immature.  
Put a M for Mature and I for Immature.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ An employee is texting a friend about tonight's ballgame during the weekly department meeting at work.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ An employee posts a personal Facebook update during the workday.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Following the announcement of the results at the SkillsUSA championships, the second place winner immediately congratulates the winner and tells them they did a great job.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ After learning that an employee did not receive a good work evaluation, the employee asked the manager to explain the expectations and for advice about how to improve for the next evaluation.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ A team project at work does not go well. When asked about the failure, the employee quickly blames a co-worker for everything bad about the project.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ During class, students are instructed to find a partner. The student walks past three other students before finding a friend to partner with for the activity.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ A manager feels an employee is violating the company dress code. To fix this, the manager sends an e-mail to the entire staff addressing the issues and the names of those employees caught ignoring the rules.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ Two students are partners for a lab experiment. A mistake is made and a glass beaker is broken. The pair immediately notifies the instructor the beaker was broken and offers to pay to replace the broken item.
9. \_\_\_\_\_ During class, a student speaks out of turn. The teacher quickly corrects the student and asks them to wait their turn. The student slams their book shut and stares at the clock for the rest of the class period.
10. \_\_\_\_\_ One of the SkillsUSA chapter officers volunteered to ask the school principal about having a recruitment activity on Saturday. The officer forgot so the officer skips the next meeting.