Portfolio Activity 10.11

MAKING A CONTRACT

Materials Needed:

- A group of elementary or middle grade students
- A. Visit an elementary or middle grade classroom and discuss the "essential features of a contract." From the discussion, develop a contract with the students. Find out if the students think the contract is fair. Would they sign it?

- B. Based on this discussion, what features would you want to include in student contracts?
- C. If you have the opportunity to teach, try implementing student contracts. Evaluate how successful they are in your classroom.
- D. Record your contract ideas in your portfolio.