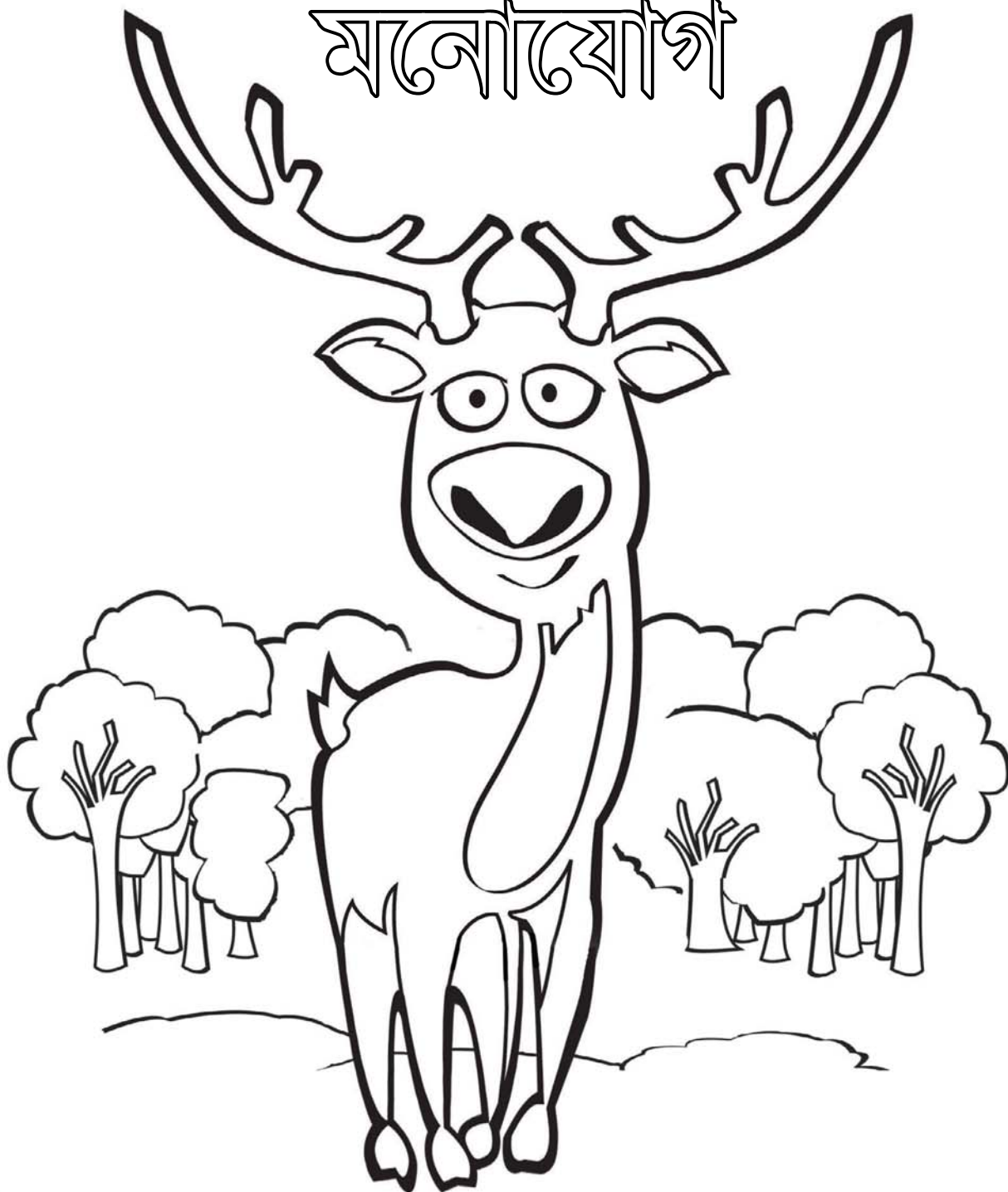


# Attentiveness

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# Family Connection

**OVERVIEW:** Attentiveness is essential for creating a positive and productive learning environment. Not only does it help us learn, but it shows how much we value the person talking or the task at hand. Attentiveness isn't always easy, especially in today's multi-media world. Sometimes we have to silence our phones, turn off the television, or face away from other distractions. **Let's try to give others the respect and attention they deserve!**

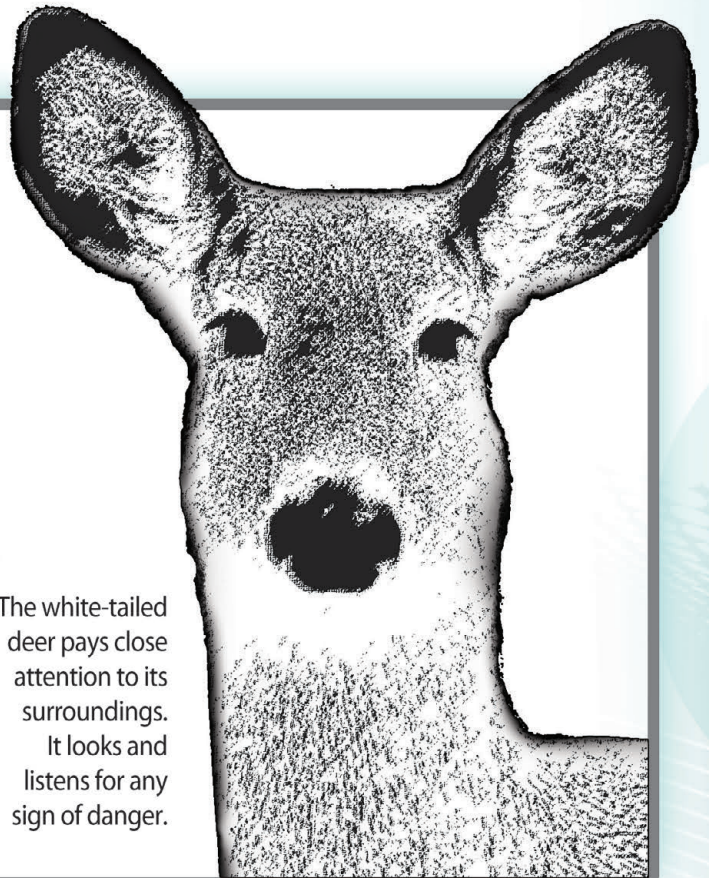
## Attentiveness

**DEFINITION:** Concentrating on the person or task at hand

### I WILL...

- Look at people when they speak to me.
- Ask questions if I don't understand.
- Sit or stand up straight.
- Not draw attention to myself.
- Not be distracted by others.

The white-tailed deer pays close attention to its surroundings. It looks and listens for any sign of danger.



### CHARACTER QUIZ:

1. What are two benefits of being attentive:  \_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_
2. Inside the ear you will find three small bones that clarify sound: They are: the \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_, and the \_\_\_\_\_.
3. An attentive student... **a.** Keeps his or her books organized. **b.** Lets others go first in line. **c.** Listens closely to the teacher.
4. The opposite of attentiveness is: **a.** Distraction **b.** Laziness **c.** Selfishness
5. Name three ways you can demonstrate attentiveness:  
 \_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_

# Attentiveness Craft

## THE DEER'S EAR

Make a deer's head with movable ears. Color the deer's head and ears before cutting them out. Fasten the ears to the head with brass fasteners so the ears can move.

### Points to Ponder:

- Ears must point in the right direction to listen.
- Eyes must be open to see.
- Mouth must be quiet so you don't distract others.

### Additional Supplies:

Scissors, markers, brass fasteners



# Attentiveness Craft

## MAKE A MAGNIFYING GLASS

Cut out two magnifying glass frames, preferably on heavy paper. Place a piece of kitchen plastic wrap between the frames, and staple the frames together. Trim the extra plastic wrap from the outside edges.

Spread a newspaper on a table and place your magnifying glass over a color picture. Put a small drop of water on top of the plastic wrap, and the water drop should magnify the picture underneath in order to see many small colorful dots.

### Points to Ponder:

- Give your full concentration to a person or project so that you can learn as much as possible.
- Look closely so that you can see the details you might miss at first glance.
- Attentiveness can help you get the most out of your education.

### Additional Supplies:

Plastic wrap, scissors, stapler, water, newspaper

