## **IIIICHARACTER COUNTS!**

## **Writing Prompts**

Use the following ideas for classroom discussion or a writing assignment:

## **Lesson in Losing**

Each of the teams that played today hoped they would win. They knew that in the end, one team would win and one team would lose. Losing a game may not be easy. Learning how to work through losses and disappointments is important in sports and school.

- 1. Think about a time when you lost a game or made a mistake. What happened? How did you feel?
- 2. What are some lessons that you learned after losing, or making that mistake? What are some important ways to move forward after losing or making a mistake?

## **Managing Time**

The athletes on both teams are also students. We call them "student-athletes." The student-athletes missed classes to play the game. They will have to make up the work they missed.

- 1. Think of a tip you would give these student-athletes to get their schoolwork done during basketball season. Why is it important that student-athletes manage their time well?
- 2. What does a student-athlete have to do to be a good student and a good basketball player?