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**Character Education Study Guide**

**(PreK - 2)**

**Featuring**

**Timmy the Turtle**

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 Discuss the importance of being punctual with homework, to school, to work, or to other activities and events.

**Discussion Questions**

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