



# We the CIVICS Kids

## *The Lorax* by Dr. Seuss

1. The Once-ler yelled at the Lorax, *Well, I have my rights, sir, and I'm telling you I intend to go on doing just what I do.* Do you think the Once-ler did have the right to do what he was doing? Why or why not?
2. The Lorax and the Once-ler spent much of their time together yelling at each other. What do you think would have happened if they had tried to *negotiate* using calm voices? What win-win solutions can you create that could satisfy both sides?
3. The Lorax and the Once-ler have a lot to say. However, they do not seem to be able to resolve their conflict. Imagine that they tried to negotiate and failed; that they tried mediation and failed; and that they tried arbitration and failed. The next step would be to go to litigation; in other words, to have a mock trial. If they go to trial over their differences, who do you think would be the defendant and what would the charges be?