LEARNING OBJECTIVES:
To understand the importance of patience in teaching others.

Suggested Resources:
As detailed in Session A.

Each tutor should have either a clean shoe with laces or a cardboard practice shoe.

Preparation:
Work with another teacher to pair each of your Year 6 children with a younger partner who cannot tie their shoelaces.

Script:
“Today is your chance to practise patience and encourage it in others as you teach them a new skill. Can you remember the phrases we learnt last week to encourage patience?

How will you use patience as you teach the skill?

Remember that it takes time to learn a new skill. Don’t rush when you are explaining or teaching the skills, ensure that your pupil understands each step. Don’t try to compete with other pairs, children learn at different speeds, it isn’t a race.”

Have the following phrases printed off for each child or display them prominently as a reminder to your Year 6 tutors:

What will you say if they are struggling?
“It may take some time to master this skill, please be patient and keep practising even if you find it difficult.”

What will you say if they want to give up?
“I know you feel like giving up, but please practise patience and give yourself time to learn the skill.”

What will you say to a child who succeeds or is very patient?
“Well done for working so patiently today! Thank you for being patient and allowing me to teach you.”

Where else in your life could you use patience? How did patience help you today?