

**The Spiritual Works of Mercy** – Read each example below and identify which Spiritual Work of Mercy it best describes.

- A. Instruct the Ignorant
- B. Advise the Sinner
- C. Console the Doubtful

- D. Comfort the Sorrowful
- E. Forgive Injuries
- F. Bear Wrongs Patiently

D	1. offer words of encouragement to those who are hurting;
B	2. put an end to gossip by walking away;
D	3. be present to those who are struggling or in emotional pain or despair;
C	4. be optimistic and avoid being negative;
C	5. respond to negative and prejudicial comments with positive statements;
A	6. take time to “tutor” those who are just beginning tasks;
D	7. offer sympathy to those who are grieving.
E	8. go out of your way to be positive with someone who once wronged you.
F	9. be less critical of others;
F	10. assume that people who may have hurt you did so because they themselves are hurting;
B	11. Step in when people are clearly doing harm to themselves or others and tell them to stop;
B	12. be courageous but also compassionate in calling others to stop doing wrong and to do the right thing;
C	13. respond with hope to people who are always negative;
F	14. overlook minor mistakes made by others;
E	15. pray for those who have wronged you and pray for the courage to forgive;
C	16. ask people about their hopes and support them in striving to achieve them.
D	17. offer positive words to friends and classmates who are sad;
A	18. commit yourself to learning about the Catholic faith and share your understanding of the faith with others;
A	19. share your insights, knowledge, and skills with others;
E	20. let go of grudges;