

Diversity and Inclusion Instruction grades K-5

Grade Level	Theme	Lessons	Resources Used / Needed	Location in Curriculum
K	Holidays around the World (Diversity)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Traditions, Cultures and Celebrations ● Mexico- Las Posadas ● Germany- Christmas and St. Nicholas Day ● Italy- Christmas ● Sweden- St. Lucia Day ● India- Diwali ● Israel- Hanukkah ● Australia- Christmas ● Africa and the Middle East- Eid al-Fitr ● US & Canada- Kwanzaa & Christmas 	Little Social Studies Thinkers	SS / Cultures
K	Being a Good Friend	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Power Point. ● Then read and discuss YOU ARE FRIENDLY (bookmarked in S.S. folder). ● Create a "Ways to be a Good Friend" chart. ● Then role play using the prompts on the Power Point. 	Little Thinkers Unit 1: Citizenship Lesson 4: Being a Good Friend YOU ARE FRIENDLY	SS
K	Helping Others	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Power Point. ● Then read and discuss (questions in Teacher guide) A SICK DAY FOR AMOS MCGEE (bookmarked in S.S. folder). ● Back to Power Point. ● Then create Good Citizens Help anchor chart. ● Afterward, play Helpful/ Not Helpful game. 	Little Thinkers Unit 1: Citizenship Lesson 9: Helping Others A SICK DAY FOR AMOS MCGEE	SS
K	Respect Others Differences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Read the book, Sneetches. ● Then explain respect 	SNEETCHES	SS

		<p>means to show that we care. We are all different and we need to respect each others' differences (look, talk, likes, dislikes, etc.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Then have students decorate head cutouts to resemble themselves. 		
K	Actions That Show Friendship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listen and sing along to 10 Little Friends song. Read the story THE RAINBOW FISH. • Cards: play together, use kind words, help each other, follow rules, use mean words, say I'm not playing with you, break rules, say I'm not helping you. 	RAINBOW FISH song: Ten Little Friends	SS
1st gr	Holidays around the World (Diversity)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traditions, Cultures and Celebrations • Mexico- Las Posadas • Germany- Christmas and St. Nicholas Day • Italy- Christmas • Sweden- St. Lucia Day • India- Diwali • Israel- Hanukkah • Australia- Christmas • Africa and the Middle East- Eid al-Fitr • US & Canada- Kwanzaa & Christmas 	Little Social Studies Thinkers	SS / Cultures
1st gr	Unique Traits / Characteristics	I am Special Crafts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stand Tall Molly Lou Melon by Patty Lovell • Susan Laughs by Jeanne Willis 	SS
1st gr	Respecting other's differences / Personal boundaries	Write sentences that talk about how they can be a good friend	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All Are Welcome by Alexandra Penfold • Don't Hug Doug (He Doesn't like it) by Carrie Finison • We Laugh Alike / Juntos nos reimos by Carmen T. Bernier-Grand 	SS
1st gr	Every Person has a place	Classroom Picture- create a picture to show how you will add color to our class	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Crayon Box that Talked by Shane Derolf • Fur is Only Fur Deep by 	SS

			Julia Schettler	
2nd gr	Unique Traits/ Characteristics	Read 'Be You'. Discuss adjectives that describe themselves that are unique to them. Make anchor chart. Write a cinquain poem about yourself.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be You by Peter H. Reynolds 	
	Respecting Others/ Everyone is Unique	Discussion: Embracing similarities and difference, being a good friend, and having growth mindset Anchor Chart/Brainstorm Booklet	Our Class Is a Family by Shannon Olsen	
	Respecting Others' Differences	Understanding Characters	The Name Jar by Yangsook Choi	
	Inclusion	Theme Making Inferences	The Invisible Boy by Patrice Barton	
	Inclusion/ Appreciating Differences	One reading of the story can focus on the differences in the characters presented. The book includes children of many races and demonstrates friendships across race and economic status. Theme	The Day You Begin by Jacqueline Woodson	
	Respecting others differences/ Inclusion	Theme Characters growing a changing throughout a story Kindness	Each Kindness by Jacqueline Woodson	
3rd gr	Accepting Differences	Read the story and write a narrative about how you have changed to try to "fit in"	Morris Micklewhite and the Tangerine Dress by Christine Baldacchino	SS
4th gr	Appreciating Differences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unique characteristics posters Hot Dog Book Covers Family Food Celebration Day 	Spaghetti in a Hot Dog Bun by Maria Dismondy	SS
5th gr	Appreciating Differences, Happiness and Inequity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One reading of the story can focus on the differences in the characters presented. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Those Shoes by Maribeth Boelts Last Stop on Market Street by Matthew de la Pena 	SS / ELA

		<p>The book includes children of many races and demonstrates friendships across race. This book also focuses on the idea that not everyone has or can have the same things and that we should be understanding of those who are different. The story can also be used to spark discussion about being generous and giving to those in need.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participate in a discussion on Last Stop on Market St 		
Music- gr 8	Music of the Civil Rights Movement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decode the lyrics to “Swing Low, Sweet Chariot” • Write your own song lyrics if you lived in the poor conditions of the 1920’s • Discussion on songs that sound like “spirituals” 	Power to the People	Music- grade 8
Art-	Gender Bias	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read book <p>YouTube read out loud version.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Color Wheel- colors are for everyone • Create a multicolor rainbow design 	<p>Pink is for Boys by Robert Pearlman</p> <p>https://youtu.be/2RIb9ILFIRk</p>	Art gr K
Art-	Disabilities	<p>Learn about the artist, MARIAM PARÉ</p> <p>Create a piece of art using your mouth</p>	<p>Link to Mouth Painting artist www.mariampare.com/</p> <p>https://youtu.be/7mgslojlQsE</p>	Art

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