

Grade Level: Grade 3

Subject: Health

# Objective:

- Understand the importance of believing in oneself and having a positive mindset.
- Learn the benefits of deep breathing and relaxation techniques.
- Recognize the value of friendship and support.

## Materials:

- "Jungle Buddyz: A Race to Remember" story
- Whiteboard or chart paper
- Markers
- Paper and pencils for students

#### Introduction:

- 1. Begin by asking students if they have ever felt nervous or unsure about doing something. Allow a few students to share their experiences.
- 2. Introduce the story "Jungle Buddyz: A Race to Remember" and briefly summarize the main events.
- 3. Explain that today, we will be discussing the importance of believing in ourselves, managing our emotions, and supporting others.

## Story Comprehension:

- 1. Read the story "Jungle Buddyz: A Race to Remember" aloud to the class.
- 2. After reading, discuss the following questions:
  - Who are the main characters in the story?
  - Why was Scooter feeling nervous before the race?
  - How did Scooter's friends help him overcome his nervousness?
  - What did Scooter learn from his friends?
  - How did Scooter feel at the end of the race?

## Discussion and Reflection:

- 1. On the whiteboard or chart paper, create three columns labeled "Believing in Yourself", "Managing Emotions", and "Supporting Others".
- 2. As a class, brainstorm examples from the story that relate to each column.

- Believing in Yourself: Scooter learning to believe in his abilities and being proud of himself.
- Managing Emotions: Scooter using deep breathing and Milo offering a breathing trick to help him keep calm.
- Supporting Others: Scooter's friends giving him encouragement and support throughout the race.
- 3. Discuss why each of these aspects is important in our daily lives and how they can positively impact our well-being.

## Conclusion:

- 1. Summarize the key points discussed in the story and the importance of believing in oneself, managing emotions, and supporting others.
- 2. Emphasize the idea that everyone has strengths and abilities, and it's essential to have a positive mindset to overcome challenges.
- 3. Encourage students to always support and uplift their friends and classmates when they are feeling nervous or unsure.

## **Extension Activity:**

- 1. Ask students to write a paragraph or short story about a time when they felt nervous or unsure about doing something, and how they overcame their feelings.
- 2. Have students share their stories with the class or in small groups, encouraging positive feedback and support from their peers.

Note: The extension activity can be modified based on the teacher's preference and time available.