



Grade Level: Grade 2

Subject: Social Studies

Objective: Students will learn about friendship, perseverance, and self-belief through the story "Jungle Buddyz: A Race to Remember". They will discuss the importance of supporting and encouraging others, even when faced with challenges.

Materials:

- Copy of the story "Jungle Buddyz: A Race to Remember"
- Chart paper and markers
- Sticky notes
- Pencil crayons / markers
- Extension activity materials (optional)

Introduction:

1. Begin the lesson by asking students if they have ever been in a race or competition, and how they felt during that experience.
2. Introduce the story "Jungle Buddyz: A Race to Remember" to the students, highlighting the main characters and their unique qualities.
3. Explain that the story is about friendship and how friends can support and encourage each other, even when faced with challenges.

Story Comprehension:

1. Read the story "Jungle Buddyz: A Race to Remember" aloud to the students.
2. Pause periodically to ask comprehension questions. For example:
 - Who are the main characters in the story?
 - How did Scooter feel before the race?
 - How did Scooter's friends help and support him?
 - How did Scooter feel after completing the race?
3. Encourage students to actively listen to the story and take brief notes on sticky notes about important events or feelings they notice.

Discussion and Reflection:

1. Create a chart titled "Friendship, Perseverance, and Self-Belief" on chart paper.
2. Ask students to share their sticky notes and take turns sticking them on the chart paper under relevant categories.

3. Facilitate a class discussion using the following prompts:
- Why was Scooter feeling nervous before the race?
 - How did his friends help him feel more confident?
 - How did Scooter persevere and overcome his challenges?
 - Why is it important to support and encourage our friends?
 - Can you think of a time when you supported or encouraged someone? How did they feel afterward?
 - How can we apply the lessons from the story to our own lives?

Conclusion:

1. Summarize the discussion by emphasizing the importance of friendship, perseverance, and self-belief.
2. Remind students that supporting and encouraging others can make a significant impact on their confidence and success.
3. Encourage students to remember the story of "Jungle Buddyz: A Race to Remember" as a reminder to be supportive and encouraging to their friends.

Extension Activity:

1. Provide students with pencil crayons or markers.
2. Ask them to create an illustration or design a friendship card inspired by the story "Jungle Buddyz: A Race to Remember".
3. Students can write a supportive message or quote about friendship on the card.
4. Optional: Display the friendship cards in the classroom or school hallway as a reminder of the importance of friendship and encouragement.