



Grade Level: Grade 1

Subject: Social Studies

Objective:

- Students will learn about friendship and supporting one another.
- Students will learn about perseverance and belief in oneself.
- Students will understand the importance of celebrating the accomplishments of others.

Materials:

- Story: "Jungle Buddyz: A Race to Remember"
- Whiteboard or chart paper
- Markers or chalk
- Extension activity materials (optional)

Introduction:

- Show the cover of the storybook "Jungle Buddyz: A Race to Remember" to the students.
- Ask the students if they have ever heard about the jungle or animals like lions, giraffes, monkeys, flamingos, and sloths.
- Explain that today, we are going to read a story about five friends who live in the jungle.

Story Comprehension:

- Read the story "Jungle Buddyz: A Race to Remember" aloud to the students.
- After reading, ask the students the following questions:
  1. Who are the main characters in the story?
  2. How did Scooter feel before the race?
  3. What did Scooter's friends do to help him?
  4. Did Scooter win the race? Why is it still important to celebrate his accomplishment?

Discussion and Reflection:

- Write the following questions on the whiteboard or chart paper:
  1. How did Scooter feel before the race? How did his friends help him?
  2. Have you ever felt nervous or scared to try something new or challenging? Did anyone help you? How did it make you feel?
  3. Why is it important to believe in ourselves and support our friends?
  4. How does it feel when we celebrate others' accomplishments, even if we didn't win?

- Engage the students in a class discussion based on the questions.
- Encourage students to share their own experiences and thoughts.

Conclusion:

- Summarize the key points discussed during the class.
- Emphasize the importance of friendship, belief in oneself, and celebrating the accomplishments of others.
- Remind the students that supporting and encouraging one another is a crucial part of being a good friend.

Extension Activity:

- Choose one of the following extension activities:
  1. Friendship Collage: Provide students with magazines, scissors, and glue. Ask them to cut out pictures of friends or examples of friendship from the magazines and create a collage.
  2. Role-play: Divide the students into groups of five, assigning each student a character from the story. Have the groups create and perform a short skit showcasing friendship and support.
  3. Kindness Cards: Provide students with construction paper, markers, and other art supplies. Ask them to create small cards with kind messages to give to their friends, family, or classmates.

Note: The Extension Activity can be done in a subsequent class or assigned as homework.