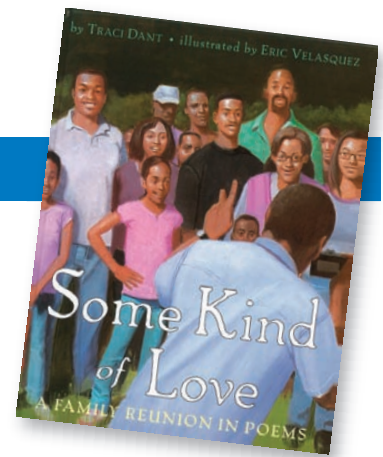


Some Kind of Love

RIF EXTENSION ACTIVITIES FOR EDUCATORS

THINK-TAC-TOE ACTIVITY OPTIONS

- ◆ Individual students can choose an activity to complete.
- ◆ Student pairs or cooperative groups can work together on a choice of their own.
- ◆ Educators can assign an activity for an individual, pairs or groups.



<p style="text-align: center;">RHYME TIME</p> <p>The poems in this story don't rhyme. Write your own poem that <i>does</i> rhyme. Pick a rhyming pattern, or <i>rhyme scheme</i>, and write a poem about someone in your family. Draw a picture to go with your poem.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Word Smart/Creative Writing</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LOVELY LILACS</p> <p>There are a lot of lilacs in this book. Research to find out more about lilacs. Find out at least 10 facts about lilacs, including their <i>scientific name</i>. Share your findings in a brochure. Be sure to make it colorful and interesting!</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Science/Informative Writing</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">WHAT'S IN A NAME?</p> <p>Use your LAST NAME to write an <i>acrostic poem</i> about your family. For each letter of your last name, think of a word or phrase that describes your family and why you love them. Decorate your poem.</p> <p>Example: Care about me Happy Open-minded</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Word Smart/Creative Writing</i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">EXTRA, EXTRA!</p> <p>Your family is a big deal—when you have a reunion, the newspaper writes about it! Write an article about an imaginary family reunion. Who comes? Where do you meet? What food do you eat? Does anything exciting happen? Remember, a good article also has a <i>headline</i>!</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Word Smart/Creative Writing</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">GIVING THANKS</p> <p>The grandmother is the one who brings everyone together in <i>Some Kind of Love</i>. Write a letter to your grandmother, grandfather or someone special to thank them for everything they've done for you. Draw a picture to go with your letter.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Word Smart/Creative Writing</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">THE NUMBER GAME</p> <p>In the book, 100 people come to the family reunion. If there are 4 people in each family, how many families are at the reunion? What if there are 5 people in each family? If 20 families have 4 people and all the rest have 5 people, how many families have 5 people? Remember, there are 100 people in total!</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Math</i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">SHALL I COMPARE THEE...</p> <p>The poems in this book use a lot of <i>figurative language</i>, like "your midnight faces." Figurative language helps a writer paint a picture or create a mood with words. Write a poem or short story about yourself. Describe yourself using figurative language. Is your hair black as night? Are your eyes blue like the ocean?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Word Smart/Creative Writing</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY</p> <p>Everyone has funny stories about their family! Write a story or draw a comic strip about a trip your family took, or about something funny or exciting that happened to your family. Draw a picture to go with your story.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Word Smart/Narrative Writing</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">MAPMAKER, MAPMAKER</p> <p>In the book, families travel from Cincinnati and Chicago to St. Louis, Missouri, for the reunion. How far away are those cities? Find the states these cities are in. Draw a map to show the distance. Put your own city on the map. How far away are you from St. Louis? Be sure to include a <i>compass rose</i> and a <i>map key</i>.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Art Smart/Geography</i></p>

