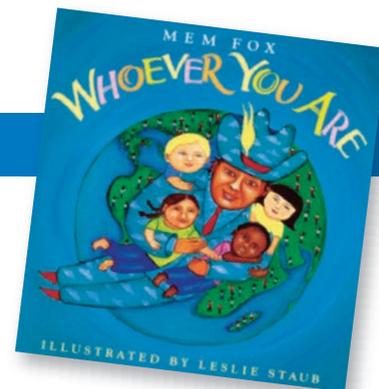


Whoever You Are

A RIF GUIDE FOR COMMUNITY COORDINATORS



Themes: Diversity, Differences, Multiculturalism

Grade Level: Pre-K to 2nd grade

Book Brief: This story is a celebration of all the different kinds of children all over the world, whoever and wherever they are.

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TIME TO READ!

Before reading: Ask the kids to think about all the things that make them special. What about them is different from everyone else? What makes them *unique*?

RELATED ACTIVITIES

WHAT'S IN A NAME? (AGES 5-12)

Help your kids celebrate all the things that make them special with an acrostic poem.

Materials: paper, crayons or markers, stickers (optional)

Have kids write their names vertically on a piece of paper. For each letter, have them pick a word or phrase that describes them and that starts with that letter. Write the word beside the letter. Decorate with crayons, markers and stickers.

Example ▶



SELF-PORTRAITS (AGES 5-12)

Materials: crayons or markers, paper, ruler

Have kids draw self-portraits. Make a "frame" by drawing lines about 1 in. from the edges of the paper. Have kids write words or sentences that describe themselves inside the frame. Decorate the frame.



"GETTING TO KNOW YOU" SCAVENGER HUNT (AGES 7-12)

Print out enough copies of the attached sheet for everyone. Have kids find at least one person to fill in every box. The student with the most boxes filled wins!

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

OTHER BOOKS BY THIS AUTHOR

The Little Dragon (2011), *Let's Count Goats* (2010), *Hello Baby!* (2009), *Where the Giant Sleeps* (2007).

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“Getting to Know You” Scavenger Hunt

I have a pet.	I can speak more than one language.	I was born in this city/town.
My favorite books are mystery books.	I can play a musical instrument.	I have an older brother or sister.
I can do a handstand.	My favorite color is blue.	I can touch my tongue to the tip of my nose.
My favorite books are funny books.	I have glasses or contact lenses.	I want to go to college when I’m older.
I love to read.	I have short hair.	I’m wearing a yellow top.
I was born in a different state or country.	My favorite books are scary books.	I’m good at sports.