

Read Aloud Guide for Families



A Kind of Magic

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Themes: Self-Expression, Finding Your Voice, Music

Book Brief: Farrokh was a shy and quiet boy – but then he discovered the power of music!

READ ALOUD

Before Reading: Build Background

- Ask, "Have you ever felt shy or nervous around new people? What helped you feel more comfortable?"

While Reading: Make Connections

- What is Farrokh like at the beginning of the story? How does he feel about himself?
- What does Farrokh discover that he loves? How does music make him feel different?
- What does Farrokh do with his friends? How does forming a band change his life?

After Reading: Ask Questions

- Ask, "What is the main idea of this story? How did music help Farrokh overcome his shyness? What does this teach us about finding what we love?"

RELATED ACTIVITIES

If your child enjoyed this book:

- Start a "Confidence Through Creativity" project. Help your child discover something that makes them feel confident, like drawing, singing, dancing, building, or writing. Spend time doing it together and talk about how doing things we love helps us feel good about ourselves, just like music helped Farrokh.
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