

Amazing Faces



A RIF GUIDE FOR COMMUNITY COORDINATORS

Themes: Poetry, Feelings, Celebrations, Social Situations, Family

Grade Level: 2nd to 5th grade

Book Brief: A collection of poetry celebrating our diverse world.

Editor:
Lee Bennett
Hopkins

Illustrator:
Chris Soentpiet



TIME TO READ!

Before reading: Allow the children to look at the pictures by Chris Soentpiet. Ask how the pictures help them know what each poem is going to be about. What do the faces in the pictures reveal?

RELATED ACTIVITIES

FACE COLLAGE (AGES 8-12)

Materials: magazines, scissors, glue, construction paper

1. Cut out different parts of faces from magazine pictures.
2. Glue parts together onto paper to create a unique face.
3. What do you see in the face you have created?
4. Write a poem about the face to go with your collage.



FACE PHOTOS (AGES 8-12)

Materials: camera, printer, paper, pencils

Take a picture of a friend (or several). Once the pictures are printed, write a poem that describes each picture. Display them for all to see!



FUN FACE CAKES (AGES 5-12)

Ingredients: rice cakes, chocolate chips, bananas, blueberries, strawberries, peanut butter

Use a rice cake as the base. Spread peanut butter on rice cake. Place chocolate chips, berries and bananas on rice cake to create a fun face to eat! (Use spreadable cheese and vegetables if you're worried about a peanut allergy.)

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

OTHER POETRY BOOKS BY THIS AUTHOR

Days to Celebrate: A Full Year of Poetry, People, Holidays, History, Fascinating Facts, and More (2004), *Marvelous Math: A Book of Poems* (2001), *Hand in Hand: An American History Through Poetry* (1994).

TECHNOLOGY LINK FOR KIDS

www.rif.org/kids



PROUDLY SPONSORED BY ★macy's
©2011 Reading Is Fundamental, Inc.

Reading Is
Fundamental