One of Us

A RIF GUIDE FOR PARENTS AND FAMILIES

Themes: Self Esteem, Self Respect,

New Social Situations, Tolerance

Grade Level: K to 3rd grade

Book Brief: Roberta tries to find out where she fits

in on the first day at a new school.

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TIME TO READ!

Before reading, make connections: What is it like to go to a new place? Meet new people? Make new friends? Ask your child

about his or her first day in a new place.

While reading, make predictions: As you turn each page, have your child guess how Roberta will fit in with each group.

After reading, ask questions:

- ◆ Do you think Roberta was scared?
- Why are there so many groups?
- What would happen if everyone liked the same things?
- Do you think people have to like all the same things to be friends?
- Look at the picture on the last page. What did Roberta teach the kids at her new school?

RELATED ACTIVITIES

ORIGAMI BUTTERFLY

Materials: 6 in. x 6 in. piece of paper

- 1. Fold along diagonal to make triangle.
- 2. Fold triangle in half to make smaller triangle.
- 3. Fold one corner up to make a wing.
- 4. Fold second corner up to make a wing.
- 5. Open butterfly and decorate.

For more ideas, go to: www.origami-instructions.com.

OUT AND ABOUT

Are there any new kids in your area? Help your child make a "Welcome to the Neighborhood" kit. It might include phone numbers, directions to favorite places nearby, a sweet treat, or a nice card. Be creative!

ROBERTA'S LUNCH WRAP

Fill a flour tortilla with your favorite ingredients and roll it up. Here are some ideas:

- mayonnaise, coconut, raisins—like Roberta!
- peanut butter and jelly
- cream cheese, ham, shredded carrots
- honey mustard, turkey, cheese, shredded carrots, lettuce
- hummus, red and green peppers, avocado, spinach leaves



ADDITIONAL RESOURCES



OTHER BOOKS BY THIS AUTHOR

Our Friendship Rules (2011), Say Something (2008).

