



Social Emotion Learning and Drama

A creative approach to building school and life skills

HTY is pleased to present you with this brief, creative activity to help your students exercise Social-Emotional Learning competencies.

TROUBLE WITH MAKING GROUPS

DESCRIPTION: A garden classroom is instructed to find partners and make groups for a variety of lessons. Sometimes...they're great at making groups! And sometimes...they're not. They could use your help to find new partners and make different groups quickly and without arguing.

GRADE LEVEL FOCUS: K-2

SEL FOCUS: Interpersonal Communication Skills and Supporting Others

NHES 4.2.5 Demonstrate ways to show kindness and compassion

NHES 7.2.2 Demonstrate practices and behaviors that support health and well-being of self and others

ACTIVITY: Discussion/Practice



Click the image for a 6 1/2 minute activity

TO PREPARE:

- Preview the video before sharing it with your students to best help you introduce the activity
- Let students know they will be encouraged to think carefully about the way the characters in the story are finding partners to work with
- Feel free to pause the video and repeat any segments.
- Ask students to watch carefully to what happens to the groups the class makes, so that they can help think of more effective ways to form partnerships and groups

REFLECTION:

- Pause the video when Ms. Clara tells you to, and have students answer and discuss the questions:
 1. Which choices most helped the class?
 2. Which choices caused problems?
 3. What advice can you share with the class to improve how they make groups?
 4. How can you help with making groups in your class?
- If students are ready to practice making groups, have them find a partner (or two) to discuss these questions with. Then, take several answers from the class for each question.