

Kindness



**This lesson plan can be taught over the course of a few days or weeks.

TEACHING POINTS:

Listen to "The Kindness Song" to learn about kindness through music. Watch Willamina Pickles and Penelope in action as they discuss why kindness is important. Practice Kindness by creating a "Kindness Quilt."

MATERIALS:

"The Kindness Song" by: Mariella Price

Kindness video featuring Willamina Pickles and Penelope (link below in WATCH section)

Squares of paper (1 per student), crayons, markers, glue, construction paper, etc.

LESSON PLAN

TALK ABOUT:

Ask the children to close their eyes and imagine a world, a classroom, a home, and a neighborhood, where kids get along and everyone feels safe. Brainstorm with children all the things they can do to brighten up the world.

Optional: Make a list and hang it someplace for everyone to see as a reminder!

QUESTIONS:

- 1. What are some things you can do to make the world a kind, fun and loving place to live? (ex: use kind words, ask before you take things, be helpful)
- 2. How does it feel when you are kind towards others? When someone is kind to you?

LISTEN:

To "The Kindness Song" and discuss with the children the different kindness words and actions that they heard in the song. Make a list or add to the list that you created of the words/actions together. (Laugh together, please, thank you, use gentle words to make amends, empathy, lead by example, lift each other up)

CREATE

Kindness Quilt: Give each child a square of paper and various writing/drawing tools. Have children choose a way to show kindness and have them draw/write it on a square. Attach all the squares together to make a quilt, (attach the squares with tape, staples or yarn) and hang someplace to enjoy!

WATCH:

Willamina and Penelope on YouTube talk about kindness.

Questions for video:

 What did Willamina & Penelope say about ways to show kindness? Were the ways the same as our list that we created together? (wave, say hello, smile, lend a helping hand to your neighbors, teachers and friends, gentle words, good manners) let's add them to our list.

- 2. Let's review, how does it make you feel when you show kindness? How does it make others feel?
- 3. How can you show kindness to yourself? (positive affirmations)