

Compassion

WebQuest Description: This webquest allows our students to explore more about compassion with all students.

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Introduction

"The more you like yourself, the less you are like anyone else, which makes you unique." Walt Disney
As you begin your journey on this webquest, you will discover that each character in every book has a unique story to be told. You will soon find that compassion is a necessity to life, and true friends are a valuable part of growing up. By realizing that everyone is different in one way or another, you may just find that by treating others the way you would want to be treated is better for everyone in the long run.

Tasks

After the webquest you will have:
*Learned about different characters in selected books who show a great amount of compassion
*Listened to a few of the authors talk about the stories they have written
*Responded to a few questions to talk about different situations you have shown or been shown compassion

Process

Number One - Wonder
In this first task, you will read the story Wonder by R.J. Palacio. This will be done over time. You will read it on your own for some of the book and also we will read it together in class. After we have finished the story, you will go to this site Meet the Author and listen to the author. Once you have done that, we will discuss your opinion of the book and talk about what you liked or did not like about the story.
Number Two - Thank You, Mr. Falker
In this second task, you will read Thank You, Mr. Falker by Patricia Polacco. We will read this story aloud in class. With a partner, you will go to this site, Dylesxia. Follow the directions on the website and also answer the first question in the reflection section. After completing this task, you will write an essay about either showing someone compassion, or a time when you were shown compassion. How did you feel or how did it make you feel?
Number Three - Rules & Anything but Typical
For this task, you will read the story Rules by Cynthia Lord and Anything but Typical by Nora Raleigh Baskin. We will read these stories over time, on your own and in class. After you have read them, explore this website, Autism Facts and learn about autism spectrum disorders. You can even listen to someone read what it says!
Number Four - Compassion Poem
After reading the poem found here, Compassion Poem you will have the chance to write your own poem. You should do this in the form of a haiku. Remember, a haiku has 5 syllables, 7 syllables, 5 syllables. Here are some examples to get you started, Haiku Examples.

Evaluation

This webquest and the assignments along with it are worth a total of 40 points.
10 Points: Opinion of Wonder (You must have an opinion and evidence to support it)
10 Points: You will write an essay about either showing someone compassion, or a time when you were shown compassion. There will be a prompt given to you.
10 Points: You will be asked 10 questions after visiting the Autism Facts site.
10 Points: Haiku Poem (Based on criteria of what makes a haiku)

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Conclusion

Wow! You have finished this webquest! Way to go! Did you enjoy it? We have read some really great stories about compassion. Which ones were your favorite? Which ones didn't you like as much? Although this lesson is finished, remember...showing compassion to others will allow you to make some really great friends. If you have any questions about the characters we read about in any of these books, you are welcome to talk with me about them.

Teacher Page

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Standards

Credits

Other