

Kindergarten & Gr. 1

AUTHOR VISIT

with children's author,

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Part One: Who Am I and What Do I Do?

Hi kids, my name is Anne van Gessel and I am a children's author, life coach and inspirational speaker. Most of my books talk about my experience with having a learning difficulty called dyslexia, which we are going to talk about today.

Part Two: Read Full Story of "Cruz Finds His Way"

Ask the kids to sit in front of you on a carpet, and get cozy as you read your entire children's picture book. Remember to turn the book in the direction of the children so that they can see the pictures.

Part Three: Ask the Class if they have any questions

After you have finished reading your story, ask the kids if they have any questions. If you are taking questions on the spot, limit them to 5.

Or if the teacher has already given you a set of questions to answer, then answer those.

Part Four: Discussion Time

About Being Different

In the story Cruz was different because (finish the sentence...)

Now what makes you different (ask the kids)

Learning About Your Strengths

In the story Cruz learned that he has lots of things he's good at (ie., strengths) like..... (finish the sentence)

What is something that you're really good at?

Part Five: The Different Song- Sing Along

Ask the teacher to play the "We're All Amazing" song by London Rhymes (Youtube Link:https://youtu.be/vbHQ-OS9_G0) and have the kids stand up, sing along and dance if they want to.

Part Six: What Did We Learn Today?

Ask the kids what they learned today about being different and about the things that they are good at.

**SEE YOU AGAIN NEXT
TIME!**

BY FRIENDS,

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