

# **Activity Packet**

A collection of resources aligned to the theme of Changemakers



Changemakers are people throughout history who have made a positive impact on their community. The books and activities featured here highlight the efforts of many famous firsts and show that change, whether big or small, can have an important impact.

## This packet includes a:

- · Changemakers classroom activity
- Changemakers home activity
- Changemakers recommended booklist

We recommend you print and copy the home activity and recommended booklist pages to send home to extend Rally to Read 100 and encourage continuous learning!

For more reading fun, visit RallytoRead.org.





## Theme: Changemakers | Classroom Activity

## **Monumental Task**

- Your class has been selected to build a new monument honoring an event or individual who has made an impact on your community.
- This activity is designed to encourage collaboration as a class.

### **Steps**

- 1. Before you begin this activity with students, read aloud a book about an individual who has made a difference in their community (see the recommended booklist included in this packet).
- 2. With your students, explore the history of a street name, building, and/or monument in your community.
- 3. In partners or groups, have students build a monument using only straws/sticks and tape.
- 4. After the monument is physically built, have students work together to craft a name, description, and purpose for the monument.





## Theme: Changemakers | Home Activity

Our class is learning about changemakers with literacy resources from Reading Is Fundamental. Complete this activity with your child to help deepen their understanding of the concept of changemakers.

## **Hopes and Dreams**

- 1. Talk with your child about the concept of perseverance. Encourage your child to think about someone they know, personally or famous, who exemplifies the concept of perseverance.
- 2. Together, make a list of hopes and dreams that your child may have.
- 3. After the discussion, using the sheet provided have your child draw themself and fill in each bubble with a hope or a dream that they have for themselves.
- 4. Discuss how they may have challenges and obstacles in reaching some of their dreams but with perseverance there is always hope and opportunity.

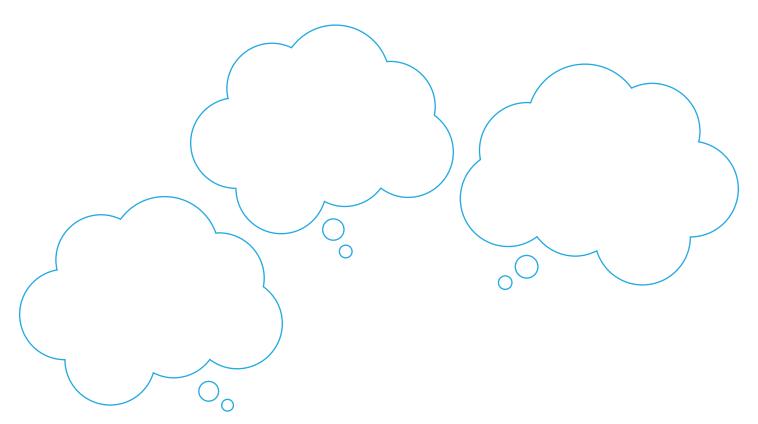




# Theme: Changemakers | Home Activity

# **My Hopes and Dreams**

Draw a picture of yourself below the thought bubbles and then fill them in with your hopes and dreams.







# Theme: Changemakers | Recommended Book List



**Reading Is Fundamental** has curated a list of books to help children further explore the theme of changemakers. Use this recommended book list to help your students/children continue their discovery about this topic in school and at home. For additional activities for the books listed, please visit RIF.org/Literacy-Central/Collections/Rally-Read-Changemakers-Collection.

View read-alouds of titles in blue on RallytoRead.org this month.



#### Bunheads

Author: Misty Copeland *Illustrator:* Setor Fiadzigbey

Grades: K-3



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#### Sadako and the Thousand **Paper Cranes**

Author: Eleanor Coerr Illustrator: Ronald Himler

Grades: 3-5



#### **The Water Princess**

Author: Susan Verde Illustrator: Peter Reynolds

Grades: K-3



#### My Name is Celia / Me llamo Celia

Author: Monica Brown Illustrator: Rafael López

Grades: K-3



#### **Little Daymond Learns to Earn**

Author: Daymond John Illustrator: Nicole Miles

Grades: PK-3



#### **Dreamers**

Author & Illustrator: Yuyi Morales

Grades: K-3



#### **Change Sings**

Author: Amanda Gorman Illustrator: Loren Long

Grades: K-3



#### When the Beat Was Born

Author: Laban Carrick Hill Illustrator: Theodore Taylor III

Grades: 3-4



#### The Cat Man of Aleppo

Authors: Karim Shamsi-Basha

& Irene Latham

*Illustrator:* Yuko Shimizu

Grades: K-3



Storytime Pick



#### The Magical Yet

Author: Angela DiTerlizzi

Illustrator: Lorena Alvarez Gómez

Grades: PK-3

## Discussion questions for any recommend book listed above:

- 1. What makes this "changemaker" unique?
- 2. What challenges did this person have to overcome to be successful?
- 3. How does this person show perseverance?
- 4. Why is it important that we learn about people like the person in this story?
- 5. Describe someone who made an impact on your life. Who is it and how have they made an impact?