

Activities and Engaging Readers Guide

Book Title: The Three Lucys by Hayan Charara

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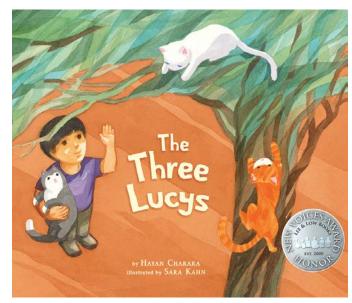
The Three Lucys by Hayan Charara Illustrated by Sara Kahn

Engaging Readers:

War is something children around the world deal with and something that your students may have many questions and concerns about. Sharing books like *The Three Lucys* by Hayan Charara or *Silent Music: A Story of Baghdad* by James Rumford offer opportunities for students to share their concerns and questions and for them to hear that adults care too. Explore the issues of war and definitions of peace and talk about ways kids can practice and promote peace at school, home, and in their community.

Community Connection:

Have students share a time when they made a difference in someone's life. Ask them to talk about the situation, what they did, and how it made them feel. As a class, explore other situations in your community or read about places around the world where people need help. Invite



students to work together to make a difference helping those in need, connecting with local nonprofit organizations to help inform and engage students around issues of interest. Help students consider fundraising, writing to public officials, or hosting awareness events to carry out projects to show their kindness and compassion for others.

Ready Resources:

The **United States Institute of Peace** (USIP) is an independent national institute, founded by Congress and dedicated to the proposition that a world without violent conflict is possible, practical, and essential. USIP is committed to increasing the knowledge and skills of young people so that they understand how conflicts are resolved, peace is achieved, and how they can make a difference.

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