

The Pirate of Kindergarten

A RIF GUIDE FOR COMMUNITY COORDINATORS

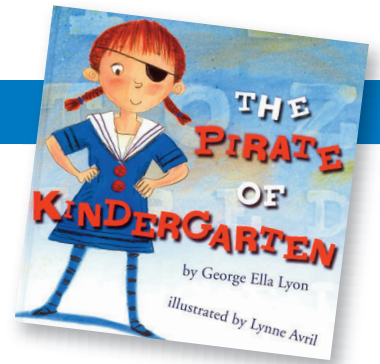
Themes: Diversity, Disability, Acceptance, Respect, Self-Image

Grade Level: Pre-K to 3rd grade

Book Brief: A girl with vision problems overcomes her challenges.

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TIME TO READ!

Before reading: Ask the kids to think about all the things that make them special. What makes them different from other kids? How do they feel about their own differences? Have they ever been embarrassed?

RELATED ACTIVITIES

COMMUNITY TREASURE CHEST (AGES 4-12)

Materials: shoe box, white or brown paper, tape, markers, stickers (optional)

Make your own community pirate treasure chest! Cover the box in paper. Decorate with markers and stickers. Fill the box with “treasures”—stories or drawings the children have made or pictures of the children.

POPSICLE PIRATE PUPPETS (AGES 4-12)

Materials: popsicle sticks, paper plates, black construction paper, markers, scissors

Have children draw a face on the plate. Cut a triangle of black construction paper and glue it on the top of the plate to make a pirate hat. Attach a popsicle stick to the bottom of the plate for a handle.



PERSONAL PIRATE SHIPS (AGES 5-12)

Materials: Styrofoam, markers or paint, plastic coffee straws, scissors, tape, paper

1. Cut Styrofoam into small triangles and let the kids decorate them with markers or paint.
2. Cut a small triangle of paper and tape it to a coffee straw to make a sail.
3. Fill up the sink or a plastic tub with water to let the kids test their ships.



ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

OTHER BOOKS BY THIS AUTHOR

Come a Tide (1993), *Who Came Down That Road?* (1996), *Mother to Tigers* (2003), *All the Water in the World* (2011).

TECHNOLOGY LINK FOR KIDS

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