

RESPECT – FOURTH GRADE

Book and lesson will be together in the media center. Materials are in the cabinet immediately to your left when you enter the media center.

Materials:

Book- *The Invisible Boy* by Trudy Ludwig
Respect Poster

Activity:

Introduce yourself to the class and explain that you are the Gallant Gator Reader for RESPECT.

Ask: What is respect? Children brainstorm definitions. Share the poster and discuss.

1. Treat others as you would like to be treated.
2. Be considerate of other people's feelings.
3. Recognize the value of people, property, school, and self

Emphasize the importance of respecting people, property, school, and self. Encourage students to share a few examples:

-ask before borrowing something

-using kind words, "please" and "thank you"

-respecting differences between self and others. Respect those who look different, talk different, etc...
by accepting the person and treating them as you want to be treated

Introduce book to be read: *The Invisible Boy*, by Trudy Ludwig

Ask students to make a prediction by listening to the title and looking at the cover of the book.

Read book aloud and discuss.

Questions: (from - "Questions for Discussion" on the last page)

How did Micah and J.T. choose players for their teams? Was it a fair way to select players? Why or why not?

When Madison and her friends talked about her birthday party in front of Brian, do you think they were just being thoughtless or were they being mean to Brian on purpose? Was there a better way for Madison to handle the situation?

Remember the page where it said, "He sits there wondering which is worse—being laughed at or feeling invisible." Which do you think is worse? What did Brian do to help Justin feel better after J.T. and the other kids made fun of the food he was eating?

How many kids did it take in this story to help Brian begin to feel less invisible? (one)

What specifically did Justin do to make Brian feel less invisible?

If there were kids in your class feeling like Brian, what could you do to help them feel more valued and appreciated?