

The Garden Gathering

Lesson #5

Age:
3rd Grade

Objective:

- Students will construct meaning from the text.
- Students write to communicate ideas effectively.

Materials:

The Garden Gathering by Julie Woik

Pencils or Pens

Box to place folded forms

Optional - Send home letter to parents regarding this lesson.

See attached *Letter for Parents*

Activity:

Gather the children in a circle and read The Garden Gathering. After the reading, hand out the form that correlates to this lesson. Have students write out what's bugging them.

* It may be personal - I'm too big, I can't jump high, I don't sing well

* Or an issue - I don't like when others leave garbage on the floor

Then have the students write a solution to deal with their issue or improve the situation. Place the anonymous sheets in a box. Randomly select a sheet to discuss with the class. Have the students vote on whether the solution given is a good one.

Assessment:

Students will identify the essential message of the text and recognize how conflicts are resolved in a story. They'll respond to a work of literature by comparing the events in the story to those in their own lives.

