

Knowledge "Standard":
ELA #2 - Students will read, write, listen, and speak for literary response and expression

Elementary - present personal responses to literature that make reference to the plot, characters,

CHALLENGE SCENARIO

Primary

English Language Arts

Skill/Disposition "Standard":
C-DOS Standard #3a - Students will demonstrate mastery of the foundation skills and competencies essential for success in the workplace

Elementary - Interpersonal Skills - relate to people of different ages and from diverse backgrounds

The Setting:

You woke up this morning and had a wonderful idea for an adventure. You thought that it would be great if you and all of your classmates could visit a museum where you could see objects that belong to characters in your favorite story books. The only problem is that no such museum exists. That made you think a whole lot harder. Maybe you and your classmates could make a museum like that.

All the way to school you smiled to yourself as you thought of your idea for a museum. You told your classmates about it and they got excited. You then decided to go to your teacher with the idea. She got excited too! Everyone agreed to help. Soon "YOUR" idea became "OUR" idea because now it could be shared with your classmates.

Your Challenge:

At first, it seems like our biggest challenge is to create a story book character museum for our classroom. We all agree that it is a good idea. Some of us already know characters we might want to put in the museum. However, soon we realize that there might be some disagreements about what is the best way to make the museum. So really, our challenge has two parts:

- (1) Create a museum of story book characters using objects that will help visitors understand something about the characters. Make sure everyone can explain his/her character and object to any visitor.
- (2) Work together in a way that makes everyone feel that they have been treated fairly.

We know there are many questions that have to be answered before we begin. However, we know that with our teacher's help we will make the best story book museum possible.

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