

Kindergarten Myself and Others Resources

New York State Learning Standards for Social Studies

<http://www.p12.nysed.gov/ciai/socst/>

Myself and others

My physical self includes gender, ethnicity, and languages. Each person has needs, wants, talents, and abilities.

Each person has likes and dislikes.

Each person is unique and important.

People are alike and different in many ways.

All people need others.

All people need to learn and learn in different ways.

People change over time.

People use folktales, legends, music, and oral histories to teach values, ideas, and traditions.

Books:

We Are All Different by Rebecca Rissman (2009)

Includes index. Photographs and simple text introduce early readers to the many ways that people can be different, with and without disabilities, and discuss playing, moving, reading, learning, respect, and more.



Guided Reading: G

24 Pages

We All Have Different Abilities by Melissa Higgins (2012)

What can you do? Tie your shoes? Play piano? Everyone has different talents and abilities. Let's share and celebrate our many talents!



Guided Reading: J

24 Pages

We All Look Different by Melissa Higgins (2012)

Blue eyes! Brown eyes! Freckles! Braces! What features make you unique?



Guided Reading: J

24 Pages

We All Have Different Cultures by Melissa Higgins (2012)

Americans come from many different backgrounds and cultures. What's yours like? Let's share and celebrate what makes our cultures special!



Guided Reading: K

24 Pages

All About Me by Lee Aucoin (2010)

Contains color photographs, without words, of children engaged in a variety of everyday activities.



Guided Reading: n/a (wordless)

16 Pages

Our Grandparents: A Global Album by Maya Ajmera (2010)

Explores the intergenerational relationship between children and grandparents around the world.

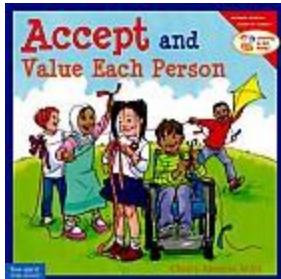


Guided Reading: L

32 Pages

Accept and Value Each Person by Cherie Mainers (2006)

A young girl learns to recognize and appreciate the uniqueness qualities of the world's different people.

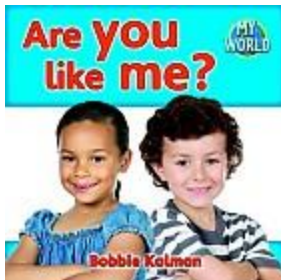


Guided Reading: J

35 Pages

Are You Like Me by Bobbie Kalman (2011)

This book explores the ways in which people are different and the same. We are all living things on the same planet. We all need food, shelter, and friends. We also have different ways of life, and we are each good at different things. The things that are the same make us feel close to one another; the things that are different make it fun to know each other.

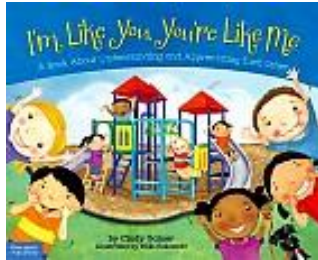


Guided Reading: G

16 Pages

I'm like you, you're like me : a book about understanding and appreciating each other by Cindy Gainer (2011)

Introduces children to the differences and similarities in people, from hair styles, body appearance, and family size.



Guided Reading: J

44 pages

People by Peter Spier (1980)

Emphasizes the differences among the four billion people on earth.

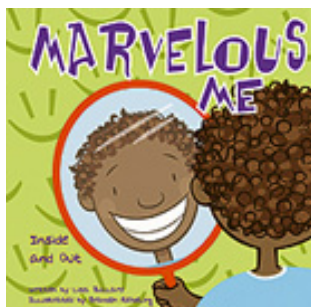


Guided Reading: L

44 pages

Marvelous Me: Inside and Out by Lisa Bullard (2003)

Includes bibliographical references (p. 24). Alex is a marvelous little boy who is just like other people in some ways, such as getting angry sometimes, but also unique because of his special laugh, his grizzly hugs, and his own interesting thoughts. Includes activities.

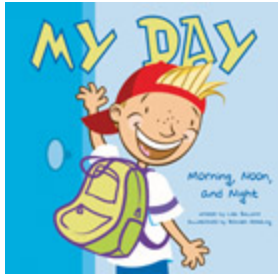


Guided Reading: J

24 Pages

My Day: Morning, Noon and Night by Lisa Bullard (2003)

Includes bibliographical references (p. 24). Sam spends a typical day having breakfast with his family, jostling with his brothers for the bathroom sink, learning and having fun at school, playing with his friend Max, and heading for bed with his dog, Lucky.



Guided Reading: J
24 Pages

Some Kids are Blind by Lola M. Schaefer (2008)

Includes bibliographical references (p. 23) and index. Simple text and photographs describe children who are blind, describing their challenges and accomplishments, and their similarities with others.



Guided Reading: F
24 Pages

Some Kids are Deaf by Lola M. Schaefer (2008)

Includes bibliographical references (p. 23) and index. Text and photographs describe kids who are deaf, the ways they communicate, and some of their everyday activities.



Guided Reading: H
24 Pages

Some Kids Have Autism by Lola M. Schaefer (2008)

Includes bibliographical references (p. 23) and index. Explains what autism is and describes how children with autism may act. Includes a glossary, suggestions for further reading, and related Internet sites.



Guided Reading: K

24 Pages

Some Kids Use Wheelchairs by Lola M. Schaeffer (2008)

Includes bibliographical references (p. 23) and index. Explains why some children use wheelchairs and describes the active lives that children in wheelchairs have, just like other kids.



Guided Reading: G

24 Pages

Some Kids Wear Leg Braces by Lola M. Schaeffer (2008)

Includes bibliographical references (p. 23) and index. Describes some of the reasons children might be required to wear leg braces and how they are helpful.



Guided Reading: H

24 Pages

Digital Resources

Databases: (To access these databases remotely, ask your librarian for your school's username and password.)

TrueFlix: *Trueflix is a database that includes non-fiction electronic books. Within each selected book you will find a 3-6 minute informational video on the subject, and a list of recommended websites.*

Brainpop Jr.: *Brainpop, Jr. is a database that provides a 3-6 minute video on informational topics followed by a comprehension quiz. The database includes activities and lesson plans as well. It is geared towards grades K-3.*

In the Health folder on Brainpop, Jr. the video "Friends" covers some of the Kindergarten NYS Social Studies standards for "Myself and Others." The video emphasizes that all people - alike and different - can be friends.



Pebble Go! *Pebble Go is a database that includes non-fiction books, videos and activities online. The target audience for Pebble Go is Kindergarten through 3rd grade, however Pebble Go can be a great way to pique interest in a topic for 4th and 5th graders. Each book is 5 pages long and includes a read-aloud button that highlights each word as it reads aloud. There are often one or two very short videos on the topic embedded within each book.*

Pebble Go's Social Studies Section has two sections on Culture and Awareness which support the New York State Social Studies Standards on Myself and Others for Kindergarten. They include titles like the ones pictured below. You can access this section by Clicking on Social Studies and then "Culture and Awareness."



The section on Understanding Disabilities could be used to show how each person has needs, wants, talents and abilities:



The section on Customs around the World shows how activities around the world can be alike and different to a child's own experience:



World Book Web:

*The World Book Web is a suite of online research tools that includes encyclopedia articles, primary source collections, educator tools, student activities, pictures, audio, and video, complemented by current periodicals and related Web sites. All Ithaca elementary school libraries currently subscribe to **World Book Kids, World Book Student, World Book Discover, World Book Timelines and World Book Classroom: Early World of Learning.** For specific training in how to use these amazing tools consult Worldbook's training website or ask your school's librarian. <http://www.worldbookonline.com/training/>*

The best Kindergarten resources from the above list are in World Book Classroom: Early World of Learning. Early World of Learning includes a section on My Body that aligns with Kindergarten's New York State Social Studies Standards.

In Early World of Learning first Click on "Know It," then on "My Body" Within this section there are a number of different options available to you. It is possible for you to create an account in Early World of Learning, set up a classroom, and use quizzes to check your students for understanding. There are built-in quizzes, and you can also design your own.

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**Welcome to the
Early World of Learning**

Trek's Travels

Explore Trek's World

Welcome to Reading

Read Stories

Know It

Learn Fun Facts

Quizzes Educator Center

Choose a topic

Animals

Plants

My Body

Weather

Community Helpers

On the Move

Students can choose from the following subjects about "My Body" to learn more:

Choose a topic

See and Hear

Parts of the Body

Staying Well

My Face

Taste and Smell

Muscles

Touch and Feel

Bones

Inside My Body

When you select a subject, there is a paragraph that is read aloud if you click on it. The question marks on the picture all include one fact that are read aloud if you click on them. There is a bonus fact in "It's a Fact!" There are also pictures and videos on the right to supplement the information on the left.

Here are two examples of subjects to learn about in the "My Body" section.

> My Body > Touch and Feel

Touch and Feel

Does a feather feel soft or hard, smooth or rough? You find out how things feel by touching them. Your fingertips are best for touching but toes are good, too. The big picture shows lots of things you can find on a beach. Can you imagine how they feel?

Seaweed feels slimy when it's wet. It slips through your fingers.

It's a Fact!

Pictures

Videos

In "Parts of the Body" each question mark labels a different body part.

> My Body > Parts of the Body

Parts of the Body

Your body is amazing! It's made up of a lot of different parts inside a stretchy covering of skin. Girls and boys look different from each other, but their bodies work in the same ways. Can you name the main parts of the body?

It's a Fact!

Pictures

Videos

Websites:

Starfall: All About Me

<http://www.starfall.com/n/level-b/me/load.htm?f>

An interactive game where students can create a person like them.

All About Me

<http://www.kinderkorner.com/me.html>

This unit covers body parts, feelings, manners and behavior, alike and different, and self-esteem.

All About Me: Printable Book

<http://printables.atozteacherstuff.com/download/all-about-me/allaboutmebook.pdf>

A ten-page book for students to record facts about themselves. You can use some or all of the pages.

iPad apps:

Starfall: All About Me - by Starfall Education

Cost: \$2.99

An interactive game where students can create a person like them.

All About Me Storybook - by I Get It, LLC

Cost: \$2.99

Ability to create personal information storybooks that students could then share. Includes chapters like pets, favorites, school, things and places I like.