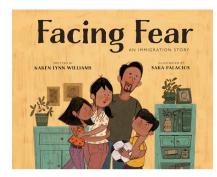


A TEACHER'S GUIDE FOR FACING FEAR

This teacher's guide is designed to assist you in creating talking points and ideas for classroom activities in conjunction with school visits.



FACING FEAR by Karen Lynn Williams

THEMES IN THIS BOOK

Family

There are many different kinds of families. Some families are big and some are smaller. Who are some of the family members mentioned in this book? How do the family members help each other?

• Friendship/Team Spirit

What is team spirit? Do you think that Enrique's team shows team spirit? Does Enrique show team spirit? What makes a good friend? How can you be a good friend? How can you be a good team member?

Courage

What does it mean to have courage? It takes courage to do something even if you are afraid to do it. It takes courage to face pain or difficult situations. It takes courage to face your problems. How does Enrique's father show courage? Do you think Enrique also shows courage? Have you ever had to use your courage?

• Fear

Fear is what you feel when you face something dangerous. There are many kinds of fear. You could be afraid of getting hurt or you might be afraid of something bad happening to your or your family. What are the things that Enrique and his father are afraid of. How do they face their fear? Talk about what makes you afraid. What do you do when you are afraid?

Honesty

What does it mean to be honest? Why do you think Enrique writes his father's name on the permission slip? What makes Enrique change his mind about the permission slip? What do you think about his two decisions? Have you even had an experience where you had to make a decision to tell the truth?

VOCABULARY

Defense

Permission

Dribble

Tournament

Frowned



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SUBJECT AREAS IDEAS

Social Studies/Geography

The book does not state specifically where Enrique's family is from. The illustrations give hints. What county or countries do you think they might be from. Look at a map. What continents are the countries in? Many countries face problems because of drugs, gangs and weapons. What are some ways people can work to solve these problems?

· Physical education

Soccer is one of the most popular sports worldwide. In most countries it is called football. What is your favorite sport? Soccer skills include running, dribbling the ball with your feet and kicking. Practice these skills. Organize a relay with your classmates using these skills.

· Language arts

Do you think Enrique's family supports him? How? What are some of the ways your family supports you? Enrique is angry with his father in the beginning of the book. Why? Have you ever been angry with a family member? Write a poem with the title Family. Write a poem about a time you were angry with someone you love.

Enrique and his father are afraid the family could be separated. What happened to Tomas's father in the story. Why did this happen? Write a story about what you think it would be like to be separated from your family.

Art

The illustrations in this book are very detailed. What can you learn about Enrique and his family from the illustrations? Make a collage of your family or your bedroom or another favorite room in your home.



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