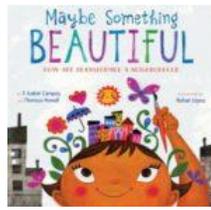


June Spotlight Book



Maybe Something Beautiful How Art Transformed a Neighborhood Link: <http://maybesomethingbeautiful.com/>

Listen to the Read Aloud, then complete the learning activities at home. Upload your completed activities to the Soar in 4 Manatee Community Facebook Group for a chance to win a \$50 Gift Card!

Read Aloud: <https://youtu.be/nL5TzKaDXzA>

Florida Standards Based Learning

IV. Language and Literacy

1. Listening and Understanding

VIII. Creative Expression Through the Arts

E. Appreciation of the Arts

Pre-Reading Activity

Before reading any book, always discuss the Title, Author, and Illustrator. What does the title tell us? Why is the author important? What is an Illustrator?

· What do you see in your neighborhood that is beautiful? Why? How would you make your neighborhood more beautiful?

· How do people use color to celebrate? Can you give me some examples? If music were colors, what colors do you hear? If your dance moves were colors, what colors would you dance?

· Take a community walk by searching the internet for the following: Images of Philadelphia Outside Mural Art and Images of San Diego Outside Mural Art. Discussion: Why do people paint murals on the outside of buildings? How do you think the murals make people feel? How do they make you feel?

Read Aloud Discussion

- **Look at the book's illustrations, what do you notice?**
- **What do you think the book will be about?**
- **How is Mira able to give to others?**

Writing Ideas

- 1. The title of the book is Maybe Something Beautiful. The word beautiful means "full of beauty." What is something you consider beautiful? Where do you find beauty? Draw a picture and write to explain where and why.**
- 2. Think of someone special in your life and create a colorful picture to give to them. Write them a note to let them know how much you care and appreciate them.**

Growth Mindset & Social Emotional Learning Connections

Mira worked with a muralist to create beauty in her neighborhood, why do you think color and beauty make people feel joyful? What can you do to make yourself and others feel more joyful?

S.T.E.A.M

Take a walk around your neighborhood & look for existing murals or a location you could create a mural with your family. Together with your family, design a mural on a piece of paper to give a message to the community.

At Home/Community Connection

- Invite friends and family to take part in a virtual mural project. Using paper and crayons, markers, or paint, ask everyone to create their own mural and include a written story or description. Have everyone send you a photo of their painting/picture/story and combine to make a virtual mural wall to share with everyone.
- Contact the local art center to see if anyone has created an outside mural in your community. Go visit the mural and talk about the story it tells.
- Play energetic music and paint a mural on paper for your bedroom. Play slow paced, quiet music and paint another mural. What is the difference between the two murals?
- Choose a mural from Philadelphia or San Diego and make up a story based on the mural. What is happening? Where is it happening? Describe the people or animals you see. What do you think the mural is trying to convey?

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Spotlight sneak peak!

