

Make October Count for Kids! - Sample Lesson Plan

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Children Around the World

Grade Level: K-6

Brief Summary: To reflect on National UNICEF Day DVD by discussing reactions, feelings, and thoughts.

Required Materials:

- Chart paper, markers
- Cue cards (1 per student)
- Large world map
- National UNICEF Day poster

Instructions:

1. Before showing the DVD ask the students to watch for similarities and differences between themselves and the children featured in the DVD.
2. After viewing the DVD ask the class what their initial reactions were to seeing the video. On the blackboard, create a mind map of everyone's feelings and thoughts, grouping similar ideas close together (i.e. "surprised", "stunned" and "shocked" could be found in the same cluster).
3. Referring to this class mind map, ask students to explain the reasons why they felt/feel this way.
4. As you discuss the video with the class, jot down the names of the featured children as they are mentioned. Create a list of their names, asking students to help you name the countries that each child is from. Using a world map, have student volunteers find these geographical locations. Locate Canada. Are these countries close by? Could these children be from Canada? Why/why not?
5. Using the Four Corners approach, post the picture or name of a child from the DVD in each corner. Ask students to stand up and walk to the corner that represents the child that they think they can most relate to (i.e. "Manjo wants to be a police officer when he grows up, so do I!").
6. Students of the same group can be assigned a certain colour sticker then asked to sit back down with the rest of the class (i.e. all students who chose Reshma will have a green sticker). Using the colour identification stickers, discuss as a class the reasons for their choices.
7. Distribute one cue card to each student and ask them to write down something he/she admires about the child they chose and explain using 1-2 sentences or a few words depending on the level of the students. Students must submit their cue card before the end of class.

MAKE OCTOBER COUNT FOR Kids!



Manjo - Madagascar



Reshma - Pakistan



Mouri - Haiti

TEACHER HANDBOOK

Remember the orange UNICEF box? The tradition of kids helping kids lives on today! Show your students that they have the power to make a difference locally and globally.

Contact us – we're here to help!

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This year you and your students can give children all around the world the chance to go to school so they can survive challenges and gain lifelong opportunities. Here are the life-changing learning tools your students can provide:

\$10



Pencils & Books

Provides for 20 students – so children can write and draw.

Help kids around the world go to school.

\$32



Soccer Ball & Pump

Give children a chance to play and build skills.

\$240



School-in-a-Box

Provides two classes with all the learning supplies they need.

\$86



Bicycle

Allows a child to get to school faster, fetch water, do chores and have fun.

\$1,940



School Tent

Provides a safe place to learn when disasters destroy buildings.

In-School Fundraising Ideas

- Set a *Dare to Wear* challenge! If your students meet their fundraising goal, a principal or teacher comes to school dressed in a silly costume on Halloween.
- Initiate a class-to-class challenge. Pinkham School in Winnipeg reached their highest total ever when they offered a movie party (complete with popcorn and pizza) to the highest fundraising class.
- Challenge older grades to organize a special fundraising event for younger grades – from a haunted house to a soccer tournament.

Additional Resources

Bonus features on the DVD include educational resources such as:

- Music video of Youri's song "Making up our Minds"
- The story of a "School-in-a-box" video
- Thank you video to teachers
- PowerPoint presentation to students

Be sure to check out unicef.ca/oct31 for even more classroom tools, including:

- Announcement scripts
- Online games and videos for kids
- Fundraising ideas
- Lesson plans

It's as Easy as 1, 2, 3

1. Inspire and educate

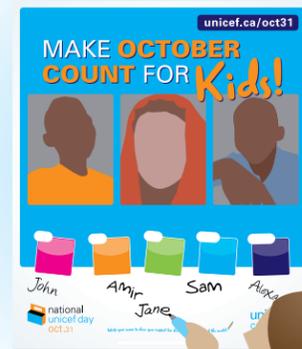
- Schedule a National UNICEF Day kick-off assembly for your school.
- Watch the DVD with your students to learn more about the daily challenges faced by children around the world.
- Go to unicef.ca/oct31 for announcement scripts and classroom activities.
- Invite students to sign the poster to show solidarity with their peers.

2. Set a goal

- Set a fundraising goal for your school or each class, or students can set their own individual goals.

3. Take action

- Send the parent letter and pledge envelope home with students. Encourage them to share the stories from the DVD with their parents.
- Encourage your students to raise funds online (unicef.ca/oct31), through pledges and in-school events.
- Take pride in your students' achievement! At the end of the campaign, celebrate with a Halloween party.



Students and parents can fundraise online at unicef.ca/oct31

Online fundraising helps keep administration costs down, so more money goes to help kids around the world.

- Students who fundraise online will be entered to win **PRIZES**, such as a **\$2,500 scholarship!**
- Donors will receive an instant tax receipt.

Where your funds go:

82% of UNICEF Canada donations support programs that help children and families worldwide.