



Lesson Plan 1: Wishes

Aims:

To use traditional global symbols and myths to help understand complex issues of conflict and peace.

To enter and understand the lives of others through stories.

Develop confidence to voice thoughts and opinions.

Provide opportunities for cooperative group work, discussion and creative art.

Activities:

- As a whole group, read or watch the story of Sadako and the Cranes.
- In small groups discuss Sadako's wish and how she is still remembered today.
- Discuss things the pupils might want to change today and ideas about how that might be achieved.
- Encourage each pupil to write a wish.
- Watch the video and teacher folding the crane.
- Each pupil makes their own crane.
- Each pupil writes their wish on their crane or on a post it to attach to the class one.

Variations

- The class could make one large crane for assembly and tell the story.
- They could exchange cranes and wishes with a friend.
- They could send it to their partner school or to Japan.

Learning Outcomes:

Key values – Trust, justice and peace.

Begin to understand that issues of peace and conflict can be complex.

To begin to understand how groups can work together to solve problems and create solutions.

Developed confidence in their creative skills.

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