

BANANA BOY BILLY

Sample Lesson Plan GRADES 3-5

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PURPOSE

Using the book *Banana Boy Billy* as a guide, the students will participate in a teacher led discussion, define what "bullying" is, and what Billy did to overcome this problem.

LESSON

- Read aloud the book *Banana Boy Billy* in a group setting
- Note the rhyming format and how this might have helped the students be active listeners
- Discuss the aspects of where, when, why, what, and how with the students, concerning the story of Billy and his family (make sure to include all the students in the discussion)
- Talk about how Billy handled the "Bully Bunch" at school (guide the discussion to use kindness and perseverance)
- Discuss why Billy was a Hero

ACTIVITIES

- Have students work in small groups with poster paper (or similar) to create a Bullying Prevention Poster
- Have students work in a group or independently to write down ideas of how they would handle the situation that Billy encountered

• Explain in writing where and when the story takes place, and why it was important to the author to include it in her book

EVALUATION

- Listen to the students' thoughts and ideas during the discussion
- Review the activities with each student, for understanding

