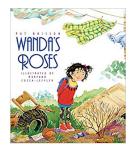
Unit 1: Building Strong Communities

WEEK 8 Day 2



Text Talk Wanda's Roses Read 2 of 2

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Big Ideas	Caring for each other builds community.
	People in communities have responsibilities, and carrying out these responsibilities contributes to the good of the community.
	When people in communities talk, work, play, and learn together, they can create positive change.
Weekly Question	What is a community?
Content Objective	I can use the illustrations and words in the story to describe the main character, Wanda, as a member of her community. (R.6.1.a, R.11.1.a, R.11.1.b, Civics & Government 1)
Language Objective	I can listen to and speak with my classmates with care. (SL.1.1.a) I can build on the comments of others. (SL.1.1.b)
SEL Objective (Boston)	I can relate to how the character is motivated to overcome obstacles and become a positive member of the community. (SM 2.1)
Vocabulary	lot: empty area of land thorny: covered in thorns, prickly bloom: become a full flower
Materials and Preparation	 Wanda's Roses, Pat Brisson Sentence Frames for Discussion, Parts 1 and 2, from Week 6, Day 2 and Week 7, Day 3 Decide whether to post all of the Sentence Frames for Discussion or a subset of these based on the strengths and needs of the class.

	On the whiteboard, write: How does Wanda help her community? How can you contribute to your community in inspiring and positive ways?
Opening 1 minute	Today we will read Wanda's Roses, by Pat Brisson, again. Set a purpose for reading. As we read today, let's use the illustrations and words to help us
Text and Discussion 13 minutes	describe Wanda and how she contributes to her community. Let's read this page closely and look carefully at the illustrations. What is Wanda doing? How do you think she feels while she is doing it?
page 8	Think, Pair, Share. How is what Wanda is doing contributing to the community?
pages 11-12	How is the lot changing because of Wanda's work? What details do you notice in the illustrations and words to make you say that? Elicit a few responses.
pages 13-15	Read the pages, then return to linger on the illustrations on pages 13, 14, and 15. What do you notice in the illustrations? From the illustrations, what can you tell about Wanda and her neighbors? Why is this important? Elicit a few responses.
pages 18-19	What does Wanda do that is surprising? How does her action contribute positively to her neighborhood?
pages 22-23	Look at the illustrations and think carefully about the words. What ways do you notice the neighbors coming together as a community? What was Wanda's role in making this happen?
Key Discussion 10 minutes	Clarify illustrations and words, paging through the book slowly. What kind of person is Wanda? What details from the text tell you that?
	Think, Pair, Share. How does Wanda help her community?
	Next, arrange the class in such a way that they can have a group discussion, directing their comments to their classmates. The class will discuss a key question as a whole group, using the Sentence Frames for Discussion.

	 Before the lesson, decide whether to post all sentence frames or use a subset of these. Now we are going to have a group discussion about an important question. We can use the sentence frames posted here. Read the chosen prompts. Our question for this discussion is: How can you contribute to your community in inspiring and positive ways? Engage the class in a group discussion. Take notes about how children are responding using the sentence frames.
Closing 1 minute	Wanda's Roses gave us one example of the ways that people come together to inspire and support each other in a community.
Standards	 R.6.1.a Describe characters, settings, and major events in a story, including details about who, what, when, where, and how. R.11.1.a Use illustrations and words in a text to describe its characters, setting, or events. R.11.1.b Compare and contrast the experiences of characters in various texts. SL.1.1.a Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion). SL.1.1.b Build on others' talk in conversations by responding to the comments of others through multiple exchanges. Civics & Government 1 Students understand key ideas and processes that characterize democratic government in the community and the United States by recognizing symbols, monuments, celebrations, and leaders of State government. (Boston) SEL SM 2.1. Motivate oneself to overcome obstacles and achieve personal and academic goals.
Ongoing assessment	Listen to children's responses during whole group time and Think, Pair, Share. Take notes during the final discussion. How do children describe the main character, Wanda? How do children explain the ways people can contribute positively to their community?

Notes

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