



I Am Special

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SUBJECT AREA/COURSE: Social Studies **GRADE LEVEL:** First Grade

ESTIMATED INSTRUCTIONAL TIME: 30 minutes

OVERVIEW: Students will concentrate on themselves, their physical attributes, and their unique abilities.

SC CURRICULUM STANDARD(S), STRAND(S), AND/OR AREA(S) TARGETED:

First Grade: Introduction to Social Studies

I.Time, Continuity and Change: History

1.1 The learner will demonstrate an understanding of the way individuals, families and communities live and work together now and in the past. The students should be able to.

1.1.1 Identify characteristics that contribute to one's personal identify from birth to the present.

APPLIED/REINFORCED:

1.4.1 Identify what it means to be a responsible citizen.

RICHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT TWO STUDENT TECHNOLOGY BENCHMARK(S) ADDRESSED:

K-2 Application Software

5.3 Create or insert simple graphics using clip art or drawing tools.

FOCUS QUESTION(S) FOR ACTIVITY:

1. What special qualities do you have?
2. How do you use your special qualities?

ASSESSMENT(S)/PROCESSING FOR ACTIVITY:

Students will use Kid Pix to draw a picture of him/her self and a special achievement or special skill.

STRATEGIES /PROCEDURES:

1. Use "Special" PowerPoint slide to introduce the lesson. Use synonyms to help students understand the definition of the word special. (included0
2. Read the poem, "What Makes You So Special?" (Attached)
3. Discuss the poem and its meaning.
4. Discuss with children achievements and skills.
5. Students will use Kid Pix to draw a picture of him/herself and a special achievement or skill.
6. For fun students can make special pictures using their fingertip.

Description:

Place fingertip on a stamp pad. Place fingertip on paper. Put tape over the fingertip print. Use crayons to create a special picture.

ACTIVITY RESOURCES/REFERENCES:

Grow and Change/ Houghton Mifflin

"What Makes You So Special?" (Attached)

"Special" PowerPoint (Attached)

What Makes YOU So Special?

Everybody's body
Is a body like no other
Even if they say you look
Like Dad or like your mother.

You are you and no one else-
From your head down to your feet.
You are you, and no one else
Could make to world complete.

Everybody's body
Is as special as can be
From you fingerprints and curls
To your personality.

No one else dreams your dreams
When you wish upon a star.
No one else but you
Is the person that you are

What is it that's so special?
Why are you unique?
Maybe it's your smile
That gives you your mystique.

Maybe it's the songs you sing
Or the way you like to draw
No one else has ever done
Things quite like you before.

Everybody's body grows,
Keeping its own pace.
It doesn't really matter
If you win in every race.

You alone can march along
To the beat of your own drum.
It doesn't matter how fast you go,
But just how far you've come.

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