

Teacher's Resource Guide for Nursery Rhyme Rescue by Dawn Renee Young

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Synopsis

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Objectives

- Literacy Skills: Enhance reading comprehension, vocabulary, and storytelling skills.
- Creative Thinking: Encourage students to explore alternative solutions and endings.
- Social Skills: Highlight teamwork, problem-solving, and empathy.
- Nursery Rhyme Familiarity: Reinforce knowledge of classic nursery rhymes.



Lesson Plan Ideas

1. Pre-Reading Activities

Discussion:

- Ask students to share their favorite nursery rhymes and discuss the characters they know.
- Predict what might happen if nursery rhyme characters interacted in a single story.

Vocabulary Preview:

Introduce key words from the book: apron, cupboard, jigsaw puzzle, glue, handy, scurrying, sew.

2. During Reading Activities

Interactive Read-Aloud:

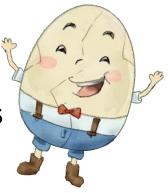
Pause to discuss illustrations and ask questions like:

- Why do you think Humpty Dumpty asked for Mother Goose's help first?
- What do you think Old Mother Hubbard finds in her cupboard?
- What finally saved Humpty Dumpty?

Look for the Heart:

Challenge students to spot the hidden heart on each page as they listen or read along.





Post-Reading Activities

Discussion Questions:

- What challenges did Little Miss Muffet face while helping Humpty Dumpty?
- How did teamwork help solve the problem?
- What other characters could have helped, and how?

Creative Writing:

Have students write an alternate ending or a new adventure featuring the same characters.

Art Activity:

Let students create their own illustrations of a scene from the book or design a new nursery rhyme mash-up character.

Back Matter:

Talk about the history of the 'Humpty Dumpty' Rhyme. Ask the children if they have any other ideas about the origin of the story.

Cross-Curricular Connections

1. Language Arts

- Rhyme and Rhythm: Identify rhyming words in the text and create new rhymes.
- Story Sequencing: Cut out illustrations or descriptions of events and have students arrange them in the correct order.

2. STEM

- Engineering Challenge: Have students build a "Humpty Dumpty-proof" wall using blocks, cardboard, or other materials.
- Glue Experiment: Explore different types of adhesives to see which works best for sticking paper or lightweight materials.

3. Social-Emotional Learning

 Reflect on the importance of helping others and solving problems.

4. Music

 Nursery Rhyme Sing-Along: Sing songs related to the characters in the book (e.g., "Old MacDonald Had a Farm").