



Uniquely You Lessons: A Beautiful Blizzard

Teacher:

Date:

Overview & Purpose

As a *Uniquely You* lesson, the goal of this lesson is to guide your students in understanding that their and their peers' unique qualities are beautiful. Much like snowflakes, no two people are the same-and that's AMAZING. A wondrous blizzard is made up of all different kinds of snowflakes, much like how your classroom, and the world around us, is made up of all different kinds of incredible people.

Objectives

1. Using pre-cut paper circles, students will cut to create a paper snowflake that represents their unique selves.
2. Students will observe how everyone's snowflake is unique through a gallery walk.
3. Students will assemble their "blizzard" by hanging up their snowflakes on one of the walls in their classroom.
4. The students and their teacher will participate in discussion in small groups, and/or as a class about how the snowflakes and blizzard are symbolic to their unique differences as people.

Materials Needed

1. Plain white paper or pre-cut white paper circles
2. Scissors
3. Tape or other adhesive to hang snowflakes

Activity

Introduce to the students the lesson by discussing snowflakes and blizzards. Emphasize how no two snowflakes are the same. You may even watch a brief video or look at photographs of snowflakes that showcase their intricate designs. With your students, connect how just like snowflakes, we all have unique differences that make us all amazing and beautiful in our own way.

Tell the students that they will all be making their own snowflakes. Using one of the white papers, demonstrate how you can create a snowflake by folding and cutting the circle in various ways.

When they are ready, hand the circles out to the students and give them time to create their own snowflake. You may have them color or decorate the snowflake further if you wish.

When finished, you may have the students complete a gallery walk. Have a discussion in small groups and/or as a class about how the snowflakes and blizzard are symbolic to their unique differences as people.

Have the students hang their snowflakes in a group on the wall to create your classroom's beautiful blizzard that serves as a reminder to celebrate our unique differences.

