

Alien Adventure

Grade level: 3rd – 4th grade

Character Concepts Taught:

Empathy, compassion

Common Core Standards Taught:

English Language Arts: Key ideas and details, text type and purposes, integration of knowledge and ideas,

Objectives:

1. Students will understand the context and message of the story they hear.
2. Students will connect with the story by relating to their own experiences
3. Students will draw conclusions and form opinions on topics related to the story, and in writing explain and support those opinions.

Materials Needed:

- YouTube instructional video <https://youtu.be/K6fQVSwvv7A>
- Pencil and paper

Time: 30-45 minutes

Lesson Procedure-

The video is the lesson. Teachers may want to follow up after the lesson with a discussion or to see what students have written.

Activity

Students will listen to the story “Alien Adventure”.

They will create a word web around the central idea of the “feelings in captivity” of the narrator of the story.

Students will be asked to explain the moral of the story in writing.

Students will be asked to evaluate if animals kept in a zoo would experience the same emotions as a captured wild animal kept as a pet. They will be asked to write down their opinions and support those opinions.

Students will be asked to evaluate if animals we typically keep as pets, such as dogs and cats, experience the same emotions as a captured wild animal kept as a pet. They will be asked to write down their opinions and support those opinions.