

Classroom Discussion and Activity Guide

Extension Activity: Reflection—Text-to-Self; Text-to-World

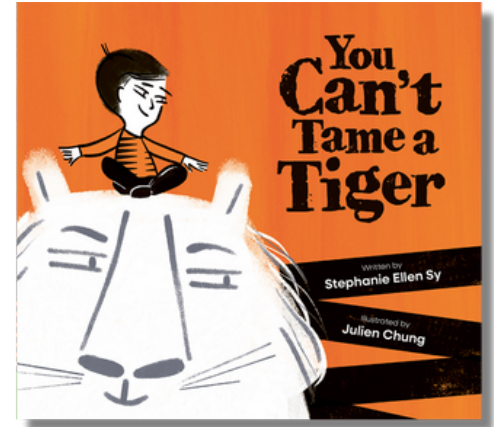
Extension Activity: Research and Writing—Opinions vs. Facts

You Can't Tame a Tiger

by Stephanie Ellen Sy, illustrated by Julien Chung

A humorous and profound story about proudly claiming your unique qualities

A confident tiger proves that you don't have to conform to the expectations of others.



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Ages 4 to 7; Grade: K-2

Before Reading:

- Look at the cover. What do you notice about the tiger?
- If you could be any animal for a day, which would you choose and why?
- Has anyone ever looked at you and thought something about you that wasn't true? How did you feel?

After Reading:

Reflection—Text-to-Self

- Imran shows he's a tiger through his actions, not his stripes. What's one way you show others who you really are? What's something about yourself that makes you proud?
- When is it important to “roar” (speak up) for yourself, like Imran did?

Reflection—Text-to-World

- If you became mayor of your town, what rules would you make to make sure people celebrate each other's differences?



CURRICULUM CONNECTIONS

Text Forms: Comedic Text

Language Arts: Dialog; Voice

Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Self-Esteem and Confidence; Relationship Skills

Character Education: Courage; Respect

READING LEVELS

Reading Recovery: I6

Fountas & Pinnell: I

Lexile® Measure: AD450L

Common Core: RL.1, W.1, SL.1, L.1



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RESEARCH AND WRITING: OPINIONS VS. FACTS

Imran's experience showed us that people can change their minds. We make opinions based on first impressions, but we can have a new opinion after we learn new facts.

Let's practice writing opinions and facts.

TIGER



FIRST OPINION
I think tigers are scary.

FACTS
Tigers like to swim.
Tigers hunt alone.

NEW OPINION
I think tigers are cool.

1. **CHOOSE AN ANIMAL THAT YOU WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT.**
2. **AT THE TOP OF A PIECE OF PAPER, WRITE YOUR ANIMAL AND DRAW A PICTURE OF IT.**
3. **BELOW YOUR PICTURE, WRITE YOUR FIRST OPINION ABOUT YOUR ANIMAL. YOU CAN START WITH "I THINK..."**
4. **RESEARCH YOUR TOPIC. USE A BOOK FROM THE LIBRARY OR THE INTERNET TO FIND FACTS.**
5. **WRITE TWO FUN FACTS ABOUT YOUR ANIMAL BELOW YOUR FIRST OPINION.**
6. **AT THE BOTTOM OF YOUR PAPER, WRITE A NEW OPINION THAT YOU HAVE AFTER YOUR RESEARCH.**