

Objective

By the end of this lesson, the student will have a deeper understanding of the themes, characters, and lessons presented in The Lion King. They will also engage in creative activities that will enhance their critical thinking and artistic skills.

Materials and Prep

- Paper and colored pencils or markers
- A quiet space for discussion and activities
- Access to a computer or device to watch clips from The Lion King (optional)
- Knowledge of the basic plot and characters of The Lion King

Activities

1. Character Creation

The student will create their own character inspired by The Lion King. They will draw the character and write a short backstory, including the character's name, traits, and how they fit into the world of the story.

2. Theme Discussion

Engage in a discussion about the main themes of The Lion King, such as friendship, responsibility, and the circle of life. The student will share their thoughts on how these themes are relevant in their own life.

3. Scene Reenactment

The student will choose a favorite scene from The Lion King and reenact it. They can use props from around the house or act it out with family members to bring the scene to life.

4. Song Analysis

Listen to a song from The Lion King, such as "Circle of Life" or "Hakuna Matata." The student will discuss the meaning of the song and how it relates to the story and characters.

Talking Points

- "What do you think Simba learned about being a leader?"
- "How do you feel when you watch Mufasa and Simba together?"
- "Can you think of a time when you had to be brave like Simba?"
- "What does 'Hakuna Matata' mean, and why is it important in the story?"
- "How do the friendships in The Lion King help the characters grow?"
- "What do you think the 'circle of life' means?"
- "Why is it important for characters like Scar to exist in the story?"
- "How does Simba change from a cub to an adult? What do you think caused this change?"
- "Which character do you relate to the most, and why?"
- "What is your favorite lesson from The Lion King that you can use in your life?"