

Objective

By the end of this lesson, the student will have a deeper understanding of the themes, characters, and cultural context of the anime "Kimi ni Todoke." They will be able to discuss their favorite moments, analyze character development, and reflect on the messages conveyed in the series.

Materials and Prep

- Access to the anime "Kimi ni Todoke" (streaming or DVD)
- Notebook and pen for taking notes
- Access to the internet for research (optional)
- A comfortable viewing space

Before the lesson, ensure that the student has watched at least the first few episodes of "Kimi ni Todoke." It may be helpful to familiarize them with the main characters and the basic plot to enhance their understanding during the lesson.

Activities

• Character Analysis:

The student will choose their favorite character from the series and write a short paragraph about their personality, motivations, and growth throughout the episodes. Encourage them to think about how the character relates to their own life.

• Theme Exploration:

Have the student identify and discuss the main themes of the series, such as friendship, acceptance, and overcoming misunderstandings. They can create a mind map illustrating these themes and how they are represented in the story.

• Creative Expression:

Ask the student to draw a scene or character from "Kimi ni Todoke" that resonated with them. They can also write a short fan-fiction piece imagining a new adventure for the characters.

• Discussion Time:

Engage in a discussion about the episodes watched. Ask open-ended questions to encourage critical thinking, such as "What did you think about the way the characters communicated?" or "How do you relate to Sawako's experiences?"

Talking Points

- "What do you think makes Sawako such a unique character? How does her personality affect her relationships?"
- "Can you find any moments in the show that highlight the importance of friendship? What do those moments teach us?"
- "How do you feel about the way misunderstandings are portrayed in the series? Can you relate to any of the situations?"
- "What themes do you think are most important in 'Kimi ni Todoke'? Why do they resonate with you?"
- "Do you think the characters change over time? If so, how do they grow?"
- "What is your favorite scene so far? Why does it stand out to you?"

- "How does the animation style affect your viewing experience? Do you think it adds to the story?"
- "If you could change one thing about the story, what would it be and why?"
- "How do you think cultural differences affect the way we understand characters and their actions?"
- "What lessons do you think we can learn from 'Kimi ni Todoke' about communication and empathy?"
- "Why do you think this anime is popular among viewers? What elements do you think attract people to it?"