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Grade:	Date :	

Subject: Caring Adventures with "Loris Opens Up His Heart"

Lesson Focus:

Name of the Teacher

- 1. Understanding the challenges of foster care.
- 2. Building empathy for those facing challenges.
- 3. Exploring compassion and resilience.

Assessment:

- I. Group Discussion Empathy
 Evaluate how well students can
 identify Loris's emotions and
 express what he might be feeling.
- 2. Creative Activity Compassion Evaluate students' ability to show compassion towards Loris.

Materials Needed:

Copies of the book <u>"Loris Opens Up His Heart"</u> (Amazon)
Art supplies (chart paper, crayons, markers)
Emotion cards (optional)



I. Introduction - Foster Care (5 minutes)
"What comes to mind when you think about foster care?"

List responses on chart paper.

Explain: Children live with foster families because they can't stay with their own for reasons like being unsafe. Sometimes they can go back home, sometimes they can't.

2. Read-Aloud "Loris Opens Up His Heart" (10 minutes)
Read the book. Each student chooses a character to role-play.

3. Group Discussion - Empathy (10 minutes)
See illustrations on pages 3 and 4 of this Lesson Plan.
Ask questions: "How do you think Loris feels?"

4. Creative Activity - Compassion (10 minutes)
Students draw a picture of how they can help Loris. Page 5.

5. Sharing and Reflection (5 minutes)
Encourage students to share one thing
they learned about children in foster care like Loris.

Ad 3. Group Discussion - Empathy
Focus on the pages below. Ask "How does Loris feel?"

Loris refuses to eat with his new foster family.



Loris shares fear of his stepfather and the pain of losing parents.







Ad 3. Group Discussion - Empathy
Focus on the pages below. Ask "How does Loris feel?"

Loris takes off his hoodie to run in the charity race and wins it.







Loris is leaving behind the painful memories during the race.



Ad 4. Creative Activity - Compassion Students draw a picture of how they can help Loris. Ask: "What might help Loris feel better?"





Ava (7) drew a picture of herself and Loris.

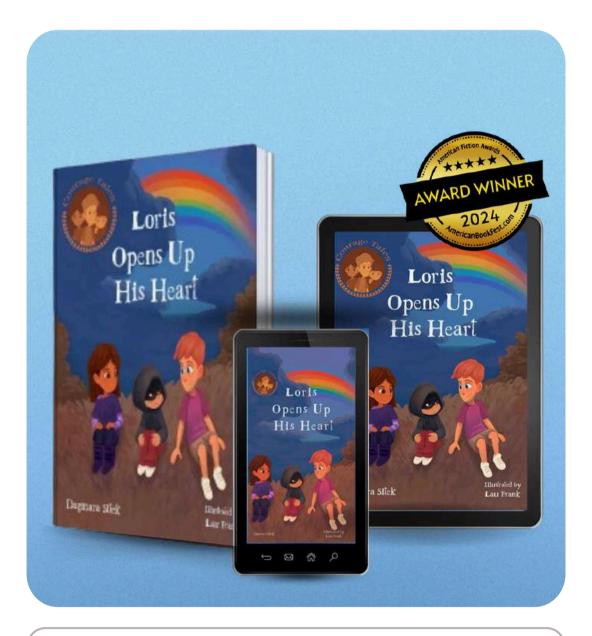
She gave him a diamond to help find his "forever parents."

Ad 4. Creative Activity - Compassion
Students draw a picture of how they can help Loris.
Ask: "What might help Loris feel better?"



Henry (6) drew
a picture of his
"treasures" to
share with Loris:
chocolate, crystals,
favorite cartoons,
and coins.

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