

Activity 7

More Alike Than Different

9/11

PRE K THROUGH 2ND GRADE

Goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify similarities between two people. Explain that people are more alike than different.
Standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.K-2.2 CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.K-2.1
Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Firefighter Coloring Page printable
Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Print a copy of the Firefighter Coloring Page for each student.
Background	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tell students that 9/11 Day is a national day of service, which means helping or doing things for other people. It is also a day of remembrance, when we honor the thousands of people who died in a series of events on September 11, 2001. Point out that after 9/11, people did kind things for each other and served their communities together.
Introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tell students that one of the special things about 9/11 Day is that it reminds us of all the things we have in common with the people around us.
Activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Distribute a copy of the Firefighter coloring page to each student. Tell students to personalize the face and hair on their firefighter and color the picture. As students color, tell them that, just as they do every day, on September 11th many years ago, firefighters and police officers were heroes who helped save many people from danger. They are part of the reason we serve others on 9/11 Day; we feel grateful to them for their service, so we serve others too. Assign students to small groups of about 4 students each. Ask them to share their firefighter coloring pages with one another. Have them discuss these questions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is one way you made your firefighter different from someone else's? What is one way you made your firefighter the same as someone else's? What is one way all of your firefighters are alike? As you conclude the activity, point out to students that no matter how different we are, we are more alike than we are different. Whether they drew their firefighters with long hair or short, with dark skin or light, and no matter what colors they used for their clothing, all of them are firefighters. The firefighters are all wearing a hat and the same clothes, they all have faces, two arms, two legs, etc. Remind students that one of the special things about 9/11 Day is that it reminds us of all the things we have in common with the people around us.



Firefighter Coloring Page

