

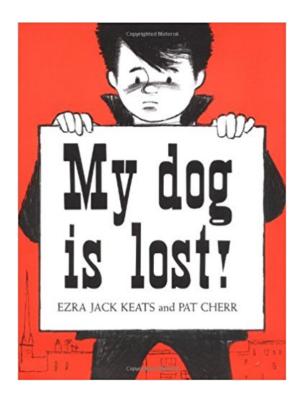
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Lesson Plan for Grade 1-4

My Dog is Lost! by Ezra Keats & Pat Cherr



Summary:

My Dog is Lost!: is a story about a Spanish-speaking boy on his second day in New York City, struggling to find his lost dog. Effortlessly mixing Spanish phrases with their English counterparts

Pre-Reading: The following should be done before reading *My Dog is Lost!* to teach students about the difficulties people face when they do not understand the commonly used languages in their neighborhoods.

- 1. Begin the lesson by telling the students that they are going to be reading a story about a Puerto Rican boy living in New York who does not speak English.
- 2. Tell students that the boy in the story is an immigrant or a person who comes to live permanently in a foreign country.

- 3. Group Discussion Questions:
 - a. Why do you think it would be hard to go to the store, school, etc. if they did not understand the language?
 - b. How do you think it would make you feel if you could not express what you wanted or if you needed help? Why?
 - c. Do you this it is easy for kids to learn a new language? Why?

Guided Reading: The following questions should be discussed while reading My Dog is Lost!

Examples of why communication is so important:

- 1. Why is Juanito sad?
- 2. How does Mr. Hernandez help Juanito?
- 3. How does Junito communicate the color of his dog without using words?
- 4. Who helps Junito find his dog?
- 5. What are some of the Spanish words Junito us to describe his dog?

Post-Reading: The following activity will be completed after the teacher has finished reading *My Dog is Lost!*

Activity 1.

- 1. Tell the students they going to try and help Juanito find his dog.
- 2. Ask students if they know if there are different languages spoken in Newark.
 - o English
 - o Spanish
 - o Portuguese
 - o Portuguese Creole
 - French Creole
- 3. Ask the students to make lost dog flyers in different languages to help Junito find his dog.
- **4.** The Lost Dog flyers (below) are in English, Spanish, Portuguese, & Haitian Creole. If another language is recommend or used by students other flyers can be created using the provided flyers as a template

Other Resources:

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MZwkTSeZH1g
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pvrNa0qRE-8
- http://www.ezra-jack-keats.org/section/for-educators/

REWARD LOST DOG

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CALL:		
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Color		
Weight:		
Date Lost:		

Location lost:_____

RECOMPENSA PERRO PERDIDO

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