ZAMASAMA PRESENTS

A Guide for Teachers and Parents



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THEMES

Visual Storytelling

Family & Friends

Community Action

Environment & Conservation

LEARNING OUTCOME

Children will:

- Observe how transformation can begin with small acts of care
- Understand the value of cleanliness, gardening, and environmental care
- Build visual literacy through storytelling without words
- Recognize that even children can be change-makers in their community

LESSON PLAN

This lesson supports visual storytelling, ecological awareness, and intergenerational collaboration— prompting children to 'read' through images and actions.

Discussion Questions

Before Reading:

- Have you helped someone plant something?
- What would you do if you saw a lot of trash in a field?
- What are your favorite things to see in a garden?

During Reading:

- Ask: What do you think is happening on this page?
- Let children describe actions and predict what comes next.

After Reading:

- How did the space change from beginning to end?
- What did the father and son do together?
- How do you think the plants made them feel?

Activities:

- Trash to Treasure: Create art using clean recyclable items.
- Mini Garden: Plant seeds in reused containers as a class project.
- Wordless Storytime: Ask children to narrate the story in their own words or act it out.

RELEVANT ZAMASAMA STORIES

- A Tiny Seed how a seed can change the landscape
- <u>Jadav and the Tree-Place</u> reforestation through personal action
- The Big Dreamer planting mangroves to protect the coast
- <u>A Very Important Tree</u> a wordless book of a little girl standing up to her brother to protect the tree that shelters a bird's nest.

RELEVANT SDGS

Applicable SDGs:

- SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being
- SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities
- SDG 13: Climate Action
- SDG 15: Life on Land

SDG Explanation

- SDG 3: Highlights the link between clean environments and health.
- SDG 11: Demonstrates civic responsibility through neighborhood improvement.
- SDG 13: Encourages children to take climate-friendly action like greening urban spaces.
- SDG 15: Promotes care for land, trees, and biodiversity—even in small spaces.

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

Children will develop environmental awareness, empathy for their surroundings, and the ability to tell stories using images, actions, and imagination.

ABOUT ZAMASAMA

Zamasama is a nonprofit platform that brings together stories from around the world to help children discover that beneath our differences—of culture, language, or belief—we share the same hopes, joys, and dreams.

Today's children are tomorrow's citizens, and the responsibility of building a more peaceful, tolerant, and empathetic world lies with them.

That's why it's vital to instill these values early—through stories that help them rise above the biases they inherit, and see diversity as a strength that unites us all.