

A Plane That Brings Love

A Guide for Teachers and Parents



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THEMES

Displacement

Social and Emotional Learning

Community

SUB-THEMES

Creative Solutions

Conflict Resolution

Bringing Peace & Harmony

Story Discussion Guide & Lesson Plan

Learning Outcome

Children will:

- Understand the emotional and social impact of conflict.
- Recognize how small acts of kindness can create hope.
- Reflect on empathy, peace, and resilience.
- Learn that even children can be peacebuilders.
- Value cooperation, compassion, and nonviolence.

Before Reading:

- What do you think war feels like for children?
- How do small acts of kindness make a difference?
- What do you hope Samer's airplane might do?

During Reading :

- Why does Samer create the airplane?
- How does his message travel?
- What emotions do you notice in the illustrations?

After Reading :

- How did Samer bring hope to others?
- Why are peaceful actions important?
- How can we bring love and peace to our community?

Activities:

Ages 3–5:

- Peace Doves Art
- Feelings Matching Game

Ages 5–8:

- Make a Peace Airplane
- Messages of Hope Wall

Ages 8–10:

- Storyboard Samer's Journey
- Write a letter to a child affected by conflict

Ages 10–12:

- Design a community peace project
- Research global peacebuilders

Expected Outcomes

Children will empathize with those affected by conflict and understand that peace can begin with small, compassionate actions. They will recognize their ability to make positive contributions in their communities and believe that even small voices matter in building a better world.

Applicable SDGs

SDG 4 – Quality Education SDG 10 – Reduced

Inequalities SDG 16 – Peace, Justice and Strong

Institutions

SDG Explanation

SDG 4 – Encourages empathy, emotional literacy, and understanding global issues.

SDG 10 –Shows compassion toward those displaced or affected by conflict.

SDG 16 –Highlights peacebuilding, justice, and the importance of harmony.

Curriculum Alignment-

Horizontal Alignment (Ages 5–8):

- The Sweetest Mango
- The Grand Patch-Up

Vertical Alignment:

Ages 3–5:

- A Very Important Tree
- Why Is Nita Upside Down?

Ages 8–10:

- The Artist
- Two Homes in Omar’s Heart
- A Different Beat

Ages 10–12:

- The Unexpected Friend
- Sharing Hope
- Grace Banu Finds Her Voice

The Dream Weaver

ABOUT ZAMASAMA

Zamasama is a nonprofit initiative that curates children's stories from diverse cultures and lived experiences around the world. It gives children a window into other communities—and a mirror that affirms their own, helping children recognize the shared humanity that connects us across differences.

Through narratives that gently challenge biases and broaden worldviews, Zamasama helps children see difference not as a barrier but as a bridge. Through the power of stories, we sow the seeds of pluralism that can grow into a more harmonious world for all.