

Princess Bahati

A Guide for Teachers and Parents

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THEMES

Social & Emotional Learning

STEAM

Environment & Conservation

SUB-THEMES

Problem solving

Water management

Story Discussion Guide

- Students will understand how young people can contribute ideas to solve environmental challenges.
- Students will learn about rainwater harvesting and its importance in water-scarce areas.
- Students will reflect on the value of listening to all voices, regardless of age or gender.
- Students will be encouraged to brainstorm community-oriented solutions for environmental issues.

Lesson plan

This lesson engages children in the story of Princess Bahati, encourages empathy for drought-affected communities, and fosters brainstorming on sustainable water solutions. It highlights civic engagement, creative thinking, and youth leadership.

Learning Outcome

Before Reading:

- What do you know about droughts?
- Have you ever had a good idea that adults didn't listen to?

During Reading :

- How does Bahati feel when she's not taken seriously?
- What kind of plan does she come up with?

After Reading:

- Why do you think the court finally listened to Bahati?
- How would you solve a problem in your community?

Activities:

- Design your own rainwater collection system (drawing or simple model).
- Make a classroom water-saving pledge poster.
- Research drought-prone countries and their solutions.

Expected Outcomes

Children will come away with a greater understanding of how environmental challenges can be solved with local ideas. They will see that anyone, even a child, can be a leader in solving global problems. The story reinforces the Zamasama message of one shared humanity and the importance of respecting all voices.

Applicable SDGs

SDG 6 – Clean Water & Sanitation

SDG 13 – Climate Action

SDG 5 – Gender Equality

SDG 11 – Sustainable Cities and Communities

SDG Explanation

Princess Bahati's water conservation plan aligns with SDG 6 (Clean Water) and SDG 13 (Climate Action) by promoting sustainable practices. Her leadership promotes SDG 5 (Gender Equality), while the community-wide response supports SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities).

Curriculum Alignment

- Angmo's Yak – Angmo has a problem. She wants to find her lost yak
- Bye-Bye Plastic Bags: Two Balinese sisters fight plastic waste.
- The Big Dreamer: Hidayat protects his village from storms by planting mangroves.
- Beti's Bulldozer – Beti helps the road builders locate the perfect place for making the road

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.