

Read. Talk. Create.

A free conversation and drawing activity for home, classrooms, and libraries.

For the adult reading alongside a child

Choose a book, read together, and invite a conversation. These original activities explore the collection's themes; they are not excerpts from the books. Children may draw, write, dictate, or pass.

Start with one question

The Most Important Things You Bring to School

What gift do you bring that cannot fit in a backpack?

One Moment Is Not My Whole Story

What would you like someone to know about you beyond one difficult moment?

Different Tools for Different Days

What helps you learn, join in, or try again?

Your Place Is Still Here

How can we help someone feel welcome when they return?

Wait-Did Anybody Ask Us?

What would you like adults to ask children before making a decision?

We Can Disagree and Still Be Us

How can we share different ideas while treating each other with care?

Make it your own

Use the drawing page after any conversation. Ask, "Would you like to tell me about what you made?" Choose one small action to try together. Use imaginary examples if a child prefers.

My gifts. My support. My place.

There is more than one way to share your whole story.

A gift I bring to my family, classroom, or community:

A tool, person, or kind action that helps me:

One way we can help each other feel welcome:

You can draw, write, or tell someone your ideas. Share only what you want to share.