

Celebrating Our Differences with Pip and Zara

Learning objective: To understand that everyone is unique and to recognise the importance of respecting and valuing diversity in our community.

Read each question carefully and use your own experiences and the ideas discussed in class to write your answers. Think about how our differences make our school and community a stronger, more interesting place.

Pip the caterpillar loves collecting words, and Zara the zebra loves finding patterns. They have realised that even though they look different and enjoy different hobbies, they make a brilliant team. By sharing their unique talents, they learn more about the world than they ever could alone. Diversity is about celebrating the things that make us individuals and ensuring everyone feels welcome and valued.

Word bank: diversity · unique · respect · inclusive · perspective · background · celebrate

1. Explain what the word 'diversity' means in your own words. Why is it a good thing for a classroom to have lots of different types of people? (2 marks)

2. Zara thinks that if everyone were exactly the same, life would be quite boring. Can you list two ways that two people in your class might be different from each other, and explain why both are important? (2 marks)

3. Pip likes to collect new words. Imagine a new student joins your class who speaks a different language at home. How could you make them feel included during playtime? (2 marks)

4. Sometimes people have different opinions or beliefs. Why is it important to show 'respect' to someone even if you don't agree with their point of view? (2 marks)

5. If you were designing a 'Friendship Club' for your school, what one rule would you include to make sure it is an inclusive space for everyone? (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture of Pip the caterpillar and Zara the zebra working together on a project. Include items that show their different interests, such as books for Pip and colourful patterns for Zara, to show how they celebrate their differences.



Extension challenge: Write a short poem or a 'Top Tips' list of three things you can do this week to ensure everyone in your class feels included and valued.