

Lesson Plan: Building Connection

Skills:

- Community Building
- Communication
- Kindness and Empathy

Grade Level: Elementary School (K-2nd)

Time : 30 minutes

Objective: Students will... Identify what it means be kind Provide an example connection during partner share

1. Introduction (10 minutes):

Read the book, *We Are All Connected*: caring for each other and the earth. Discuss how we all live together on the planet. Explain that we are connected. **Connection** means to have something in common with someone else. This allows you to make friendships and build empathy when you can make a connection and relate to someone else.

2. Activity: (15 minutes):

Students will be assigned a partner. Students will use the sentence stem, " We are connected because we both ______ "

3. Conclusion (5 minutes):

In a group, have students share some of their connections they made. Further student thinking by asking why is it important to make connections with others?

Example answers: We can make friends; Makes us feel happy

