

Building Curriculum Through Books

Please complete all sections of the book report.

Curriculum Theme: ___Plants_____

Book title: _____The Carrot Seed_____

Author: _Ruth _Krauss_____

Summarize your book. What is the story about?

This book is about a little boy who planted carrot seeds. He was the only one who believed that a carrot would grow. His mom, dad and brother all told him it would not grow, but the little boy continued to believe that he would get a carrot. He had faith and every day he watered it and waited. Then one day, he checked and it was a carrot, one of the biggest carrot's you ever saw.

Mirrors and Windows: How might this book support children in your class. Is it a mirror, window, a sliding door, or a combination? Explain.

This would help the kids in my class to learn the value of planting seeds, taking care of them then reaping a harvest. Although it may have taken a long time, does not mean it was not going to grow. This is how all these trees, flowers, plants got here. They were tiny seeds that were planted and watered and then they grew. I would say this is a mirror because the children and plants are similar. They are nurtured just like plants and then before you know it, they are all grown up.

Describe the illustrations. How do the illustrations add to the story?

The illustration was detailed and simple. It did help show the story through its pictures but I also can tell it was from a book from way back in the day.

List questions that you would ask before, during or following a read aloud or discussion of this book.

Why did you think the parents and his brother said it would not grow?

How do you think the little boy felt when his brother made fun of him?

What helped the carrot to grow?

What size was the carrot big or small?

Get creative! Briefly describe an art activity (using visual arts, movement, music, or dramatic play) that you would do with your class of 4, 5, or 6-year olds in connection with reading this book.

Today in class we are going to draw carrots, I want everyone to draw the biggest carrot they can draw just like the little boy from the story. Using the colors on the table orange and green