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Multicultural Lesson Plan by Michele Bradley

Level: 2

General Objective: To introduce to the children that all people are equal regardless of race, culture (language included), age, sexual orientation, sex.

Specific Objective: The children will learn that all people are the same regardless of their language.

Materials: Sheree Fitch's book, If You Could Wear My Sneakers, paper, pencils, and chart paper.

Activity:

1. Introduction - Ask the children to name the languages that they know of and make a list of them on chart paper. Ask the children to describe how they feel when they meet someone who does not speak their language.

2. Read page six and then page eight in the book If You Could Wear My Sneakers by Sheree Fitch. Discuss with the children what these poems are telling them. Include the discussion on the lesson race and similarities. Even though people speak different languages, they are still people like you and I. They laugh, cry, and get angry just like we do. We all do the same things, we just use different words to describe them- " a sneeze is a sneeze"!

3. Divide the class into groups of three. Hand out paper and pencils. Ask each group to think of five things that are the same in all languages, for example a sneeze. Each group will present their list to the class. Make one big list on chart paper and display with the list of languages.

Evaluation: Observe the children during the activities to see if they understand that all people are equal.