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CLASSROOM FOSTER PET:

CLEO THE CAT



SNAP A PICTURE



IF YOU'VE CAPTURED PHOTOS OR VIDEOS OF YOUR CLASSROOM USING THE **CLASSROOM FOSTER PET: CLEO THE CAT KIT**, SUBMIT THEM TO BE SHARED ON OUR SOCIAL MEDIA BY SCANNING THIS QR CODE!

SHARE A STORY

HAVE SOME THOUGHTS YOU'D LIKE TO SHARE WITH US? WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU! SUBMIT YOUR FEEDBACK TO HELP US IMPROVE OUR HUMANE EDUCATION PROGRAMMING BY SCANNING THIS QR CODE.



WHAT WILL STUDENTS LEARN?

EMPATHY

DRAMATIC PLAY PROVIDES THE OPPORTUNITY FOR CHILDREN TO ENGAGE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THEIR EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE THROUGH UNDERSTANDING THE NEEDS OF DIFFERENT CHARACTERS; BOTH HUMAN AND ANIMAL.



FINE MOTOR SKILLS

PRACTICING FINE MOTOR SKILLS, SUCH AS OPENING AND CLOSING LIDS AND BUCKLES, OR WRITING AND COLORING, IS AN ESSENTIAL PART OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION; DEVELOPING A CHILD'S DEXTERITY AND STRENGTH.

PROBLEM SOLVING

WITHIN AN EDUCATOR SUPPORTED ENVIRONMENT, COOPERATIVE PLAY PRESENTS LIFE-LIKE CHALLENGES, WHERE CHILDREN HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN PROBLEM SOLVING STRATEGIES WHILE PRACTICING VALUABLE COMMUNICATION, GROUP WORK, AND CREATIVE THINKING SKILLS.



PREP YOUR CLASSROOM

WHAT DO I NEED?

TREAT THIS KIT AS A DAILY ACTIVITY IN YOUR CLASSROOM! DURING HER VISIT, CREATE A DESIGNATED SPACE FOR **CLEO THE CAT** BY APPROPRIATELY STAGING ALL OF HER CARE ITEMS. UTILIZE THE CLASSROOM FOSTER PET BULLETIN BOARD PACKAGE TO ASSIGN YOUR STUDENTS DAILY PET CARE RESPONSIBILITIES SUCH AS REPLENISHING WATER, FEEDING, OR BRUSHING CLEO!

LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

WHAT INSPIRES YOUR STUDENTS TO LEARN? PERHAPS YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADD COSTUMES TO HELP THEM EMBODY THEIR ROLE AS A CAT OWNER OR PLAY MUSIC THAT WILL HELP THEM FOCUS? WHETHER IT'S AMBIANCE OR CREATING AN ACCOMMODATING SPACE FOR STUDENTS WHO EXPERIENCE DISABILITIES, BE SURE TO MAKE APPROPRIATE CONSIDERATIONS THAT AID IN YOUR STUDENT'S LEARNING WHEN SETTING UP THE **CLASSROOM FOSTER PET: CLEO THE CAT KIT** IN YOUR CLASSROOM.

TIPS & TRICKS

NO SWEAT! WE KNOW ACCIDENTS HAPPEN AND THAT KIT ITEMS MAY BREAK OR REQUIRE REPLENISHMENT. TO HELP THE NEXT CLASSROOM ENJOY THE **CLASSROOM FOSTER PET: CLEO THE CAT KIT** AS MUCH AS YOU HAVE, ENCOURAGE YOUR STUDENTS TO TREAT EACH ITEM AS THOUGH IT WERE REAL! CREATE AN ON-GOING DIALOG ABOUT TREATING ANIMALS WITH RESPECT AND KINDNESS BY PRACTICING PET CARE WITH **CLEO**. HOW DO WE CARRY A CAT? WHAT DO WE DO IF WATER IS SPILLED? NEVER UNDERESTIMATE THE POWER OF MODELLING APPROPRIATE BEHAVIOR AND PRACTICE, PRACTICE, PRACTICE!

HOW DO I USE THIS KIT?

1. PRE-ASSESSMENT

AS AN ESSENTIAL PART OF LEARNING, PRE-ASSESS YOUR STUDENTS TO UNDERSTAND THEIR CURRENT KNOWLEDGE OF RESPONSIBLE CAT OWNERSHIP. WHILE THERE ARE MANY WAYS TO CONDUCT A PRE-ASSESSMENT, WE RECOMMEND READING THE BOOK INCLUDED WITH THIS KIT, "IT'S RAINING CATS AND CATS!" BY JEANNE PREVOST AS A GROUP TO SPARK A DIALOG ABOUT RESPONSIBLE CAT OWNERSHIP!

2. SET-UP

GET THE MOST OUT OF EVERY ITEM BY UNPACKING THE **CLASSROOM FOSTER PET: CLEO THE CAT KIT** AS A GROUP! HONOR A COLLABORATIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT BY PRESENTING EACH ITEM, SHARING HOW THE ITEM IS USED DURING PET CARE, AND PROMOTING PEER SUPPORTED LEARNING DURING PLAY. BY USING THE INCLUDED CLASSROOM FOSTER PET BULLETIN BOARD PACKAGE, ASSIGN STUDENTS A DIFFERENT PET CARE RESPONSIBILITY EACH DAY!

3. FREE-PLAY OR CHILD-LED LEARNING?

WHAT ROLE DO YOU PLAY AS AN EDUCATOR? EMPOWER YOUR STUDENTS TO ENGAGE IN CHILD-LED LEARNING BY IMMERSING YOURSELF IN PLAY! WHILE THIS KIT MAY BE USED DURING FREE-PLAY, CHILD-LED LEARNING SUPPORTED BY AN EDUCATOR DURING PLAY, BOOSTS LEARNING.

4. POST-ASSESSMENT

WHAT DID MY STUDENTS LEARN THROUGH USING THE **CLASSROOM FOSTER PET: CLEO THE CAT KIT**? POST-ASSESSMENT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE TESTING! WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED BY INCLUDING AN ACTIVITY TEMPLATE WHERE STUDENTS MAY USE THEIR CREATIVE SKILLS TO ARTICULATE THEIR EXPERIENCE!

KIT INVENTORY

- CLEO THE CAT
- HARNESS
- COLLAR
- CITY OF REGINA CAT LICENSE TAG
- REGINA HUMANE SOCIETY TAG
- "IT'S RAINING CATS AND CATS!" BY JEANNE PREVOST
- FOOD & WATER DISH
- 1 CONTAINER OF DRY 'CAT FOOD'
- 1 CONTAINER OF WET 'CAT FOOD'
- 1 'WATER' BOTTLE
- 1 CONTAINER OF 'CAT TREATS'
- SMALL CAT CRATE
- 1 BLANKET
- 1 CAT BRUSH
- CAT TOYS
- CLASSROOM FOSTER PET BULLETIN BOARD PACKAGE

HOW DID YOU HELP CLEO?

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