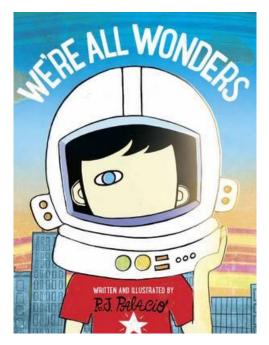


No Outsiders – home learning

We're all wonders by R.J Palacio



2017, Puffin books

https://www.foyles.co.uk/witem/childrens/were-all-wonders,r-j-palacio-9780141386416?term=we%27re+all+wonders

Blurb:

I know I can't change the way I look. But maybe, just maybe, people can change the way they see...

Auggie knows he's not an ordinary kid. He does plenty of ordinary things. He feels ordinary. He just doesn't look ordinary. But it's not just Auggie who's different. Everyone is different, and everyone is a wonder – if only they could see it. Choose kind.

Featuring the beloved hero from the best selling sensation Wonder, this original adventure written and illustrated by R.J.Palacio inspires kindness and acceptance in everyone who reads it.

I have emailed R. J. Palacio and asked her if she would record a reading of 'We're all wonders' for us. Until that arrives, here is her story read by Books with Blue <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JhD5ZKH_Fy4</u>

No Outsiders links: difference and acceptance, resilience, belonging, empathy, anti-bullying

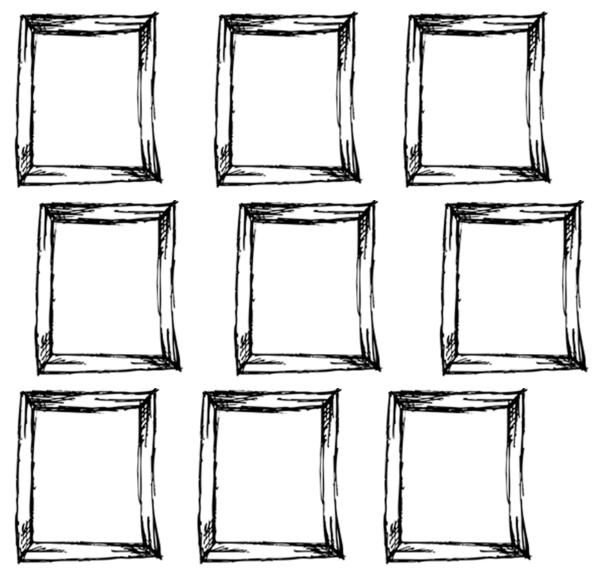
There are 8 worksheets here, younger children will be able to access worksheets 1, 2 and 4, with worksheets 3-8 aimed at KS2 (although they will enjoy all activities). Worksheets 6-8 include links to scenes from the film Wonder.



We're all wonders by P.J. Palacio

At the start of the story Auggie says, "I don't look like other kids" and we see a gallery of different kids on a wall, with his picture to the side. It's true, Auggie does look different, but if he looks carefully, he will see that all the kids look different. His picture should not be placed at the side, Auggie's picture should be with all the others so he can see that everyone is different; no one is left out, there are no outsiders.

Create a gallery for Auggie. Draw his image in one of the frames but to make sure he knows he is not the only kid that looks different, draw different kids in the other frames to show how diverse our communities are. Your gallery could show different skin, clothes, disabilities, hair, ages, eye colour; there are lots of ways you could show difference.





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"Mum says I'm a wonder," says Auggie. The picture shows Auggie on top of the globe wearing a crown with stars all around.

Are you a wonder? Yes you are! There are lots of things that are special about you and that you should be proud of.

Recreate the image of Auggie on top of the world and replace him with an image of you. Wear your crown (or you may prefer a tiara) and around the shooting stars write sentences about your talents, accomplishments and dreams. What are you good at, what makes you unique, who are you? Remember, we are all wonders.





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"Sometimes they stare at me. They point or laugh. They even say mean things behind my back."

There are ten children in the picture on this page and although they may not all be saying unkind things, no one is standing up for Auggie; everyone is being a bystander. What is a bystander? A bystander is someone who allows bullying to happen; they see it happening and they do nothing. Does that happen in your school, or is your school full children who would stand up for Auggie and stop the mean comments?

Below are some unkind comments the children in the story might be saying to Auggie. What would you say if you heard these? Write your responses to make sure everyone in Auggie's school knows there are no outsiders.

| Unkind comment | Don't be a bystander! What will you say? |
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| "You look different, go away!" | |
| "Look who is coming, let's ignore him" | |
| "You can't play with us, there's no room for you" | |
| "What's wrong with him?" | |
| "Why does he look like that? I wish he'd go away." | |
| "Auggie can't join in this game." | |
| "Why are you following us around? Go away!" | |



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"Billions of people. People of all different colours. People who walk and talk differently. People who look different. Like me! The world is big enough for all kinds of people."

Auggie knows that the world is full of difference, but he also knows that not everyone sees that or understands. Create a poster to help people understand. Below are some images to give you some ideas. We want to show how diverse and brilliant our world is. There are no outsiders here!











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Listen to the story and consider the following questions:

1. On the cover of the book, why do you think Auggie is wearing a helmet?

2. Auggie lists riding a bike, eating ice cream, and playing ball as ordinary things all kids do. What things do you do that are ordinary, that Auggie might also do; list 5 hobbies or likes you and Auggie might share

3. Why does Mum tell Auggie he's a wonder?

4. Why doesn't Auggie answer back when he hears kids say mean things behind his back?



5. "The earth is big enough for all kinds of people" why does Auggie say this?

6. "Maybe people can change the way they see." How can we change the way we see? What does Auggie mean?

7. "We're all wonders" what does this mean?

8. Why is this story about No Outsiders?



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Watch Wonder (2017) School Tour Scene (1/9) / Movie clips. This is taken from the film Wonder. Auggie is being shown around his new school by three children, Jack, Charlotte and Julian. This is the first time Auggie has been to school; him Mum taught him at home before.

https://youtu.be/ceWNY5eNSWY

Watch the film and answer these questions

1. Why does Julian say Auggie probably won't spend much time in the science lab? What is he suggesting about Auggie, and why do you think he is doing that?

2. "What's the deal with your face?" why does Julian ask this question? What is the reaction from the other children? How would you respond if you were in the room?

3. How does Auggie respond to Julian? Why do you think he corrects Julian's pronunciation of 'supposedly'? "Maybe my Mum can home school you too." Why does Auggie say that?



4. How would you describe Julian's behaviour in this scene? Explain your answer.

5. If you were Jack or Charlotte, in this situation what would you do next?



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Watch Wonder (2017) Two things about yourself Scene (2/9) / Movie clips. This is taken from the film Wonder.

In this scene Auggie is asked to introduce himself to the class. Watch the scene and answer the questions.

https://youtu.be/zJMCctR8ivc

1. "What kind of person am i?" Why do you think Mr Browne is asking the class to share two things about themselves; what is he encouraging them to do?

2. Julian talks about he new game and ping pong table, both things his parents would have bought for him. Is this what Mr Browne asked for? What do you think this tells us about Julian?

3. Does Auggie want to go next? How does Auggie feel about this? Why?



4. Is it ok for Julian to ask Auggie about the braid in his hair? Explain your answer.

5. At what point does Julian's questioning become 'not ok'? Explain your answer.

6. What do you think of the reaction from Mr Browne? Is there a different way you would like him to respond to Julian's question?

7. What needs to happen next in this class?



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Watch Wonder (2017) There are no nice people scene (4/9) / Movie clips. This is taken from the film Wonder.

Auggie has been upset at school and his sister Via tries to find out why. She gives him advice about being a kid.

https://youtu.be/C0KLb v50-k

Watch the scene and then answer these questions:

1. Why do you think Via dresses up before she talks to Auggie?

2. "There are no nice ones!" Is that true? Why does Auggie feel this?

3. "Don't compare your bad days at school to mine!" why does Auggie say this? Is he right? Explain your answer.

4. What is Via's advice to Auggie? What do you think of this advice?



5. Have you had bad days at school? Give Auggie advice; what would you say to him in this situation?