

Curriculum Discussion, Writing, and Activities for Liliana's Match: Finding Bella

1. How does Liliana feel in the beginning of the story at school? Have you ever felt the same way?
2. What helps you when you feel worried or restless?
3. Give three examples of how Bella is perfect for Liliana?
4. Why is it important to adopt pets from shelters or rescues?
5. How does it feel when you have to wait for something you are really looking forward to like your birthday? Holiday? A purchase? Or a pet? Tell your neighbor next to you about that time.
6. List 5 things a responsible pet owner needs to provide for their family pet?
7. If you have a pet, write two paragraphs about it. If you don't have a pet, write two paragraphs about a pet you wish you had.
8. Do you think pets have feelings? Write in your journal and share at your table group.

ACTIVITIES:

1. Make a Want Ad "Needs a Home" poster. Draw a picture of a cat, dog, bird, rabbit or guinea pig. Write a few lines on the poster about this animal so people will read it and be interested in adopting the pet (name, age, description, etc.) Display in class if you can.
2. Create a story about a girl or boy who adopts an animal, and they become true friends. (Just like Liliana and Bella)
3. Set up an adoption center at home using all your stuff animals. Invite your friends over to play adoption and let them talk about how they will care for them.
4. Imagine petting Bella. Close your eyes and breathe deeply four times. This is a good relaxation method when you are worried or upset. Repeat as necessary.