

Ode to Other

Acceptance



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Opposite Cards



Find Your Match!

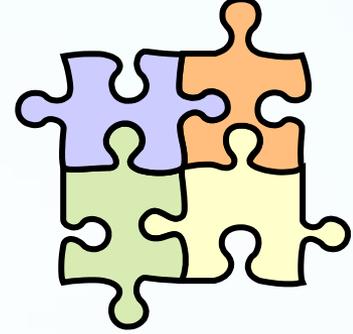
- Why do you belong together?
- Are you opposites?
- Do you need each other?

Let's Chat!



- Why do black and white go together?
- I noticed love and hate are matched up, why?
- Let's think about fear and hope? Do people have both?

Connections



- Have you ever been mad at someone who didn't agree with you or think the same way?
- Have you had a friend that was really different from you, maybe you are total opposites? Do they annoy you sometimes?
- How do you learn to get along with someone who is different?

Soak in the Song!

- Let's just listen to the song, let is soak in!



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Words and music by Barry Lane
A song in 2 voices

Without black

No white

Without day

No night

Without sad

No glad

Without good

No bad

Without time

No late

Without love

No hate

Without tears

No joy

Without girls

No boys

You begin where I end, and that's why I call you my friend. We may be as different as the land and the sea, but you belong with me.

Without where

No why

Without clouds

No sky

Without knot

No rope

Without fear

No hope

Without stay

No go

Without fast

No slow

Without green

No blue

Without me

No you

You begin where I end, and that's why I call you my friend. We may be as different as the land and the sea, but you belong with me.

We don't know where we're going to. We don't know where we've been. Don't believe in the differences. Learn to make amends.

Without white

No black

Without front

No back

Without one

No two

Without old

No new

Without sun

No earth

Without death

No birth

Without stars

No space

Without smile

No face

You begin where I end,
and that's why I call you my friend.

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Digging Deeper



Listen for:

- Evidence of Opposites
- Examples of how things are different
- Images of friends who are different

Think, Pair, Share



- What does it mean when the song says, “Don’t believe in differences”?
- What images of different people do you have?
- What is the heart of the song?
- How do we all belong together?

EXPANDING VOCABULARY

ACCEPTANCE:

treating everyone with respect
and accepting everyone for who
they are





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In Barry Lane's song "Ode to Other" he talks about opposites and the song is in two voices. Pick a line and illustrate what you visualized with each voice.

Wisdom Wall



“Our task must be to free ourselves by widening our circle of compassion to embrace all living creatures and the whole of nature and its beauty.”

Albert Einstein

Radical Questions



- What makes us different from each other?
- What makes us the same?
- Why do differences create problems for people?
- How do we learn to appreciate the differences

Paper Ponderings



Non-fiction

Make a Venn diagram of two heads. One is you and another is a friend. Write your differences on the main part of the head and the similarities on the overlap portion. Write about what you found in your diagram.

Fiction:

Google animal “odd couples” and read some of the stories of animals who make friends with other animal species.

Write your own story about an animal odd couple.