



Overview

Curiosity is a creative resource that taps into our very drive to learn and grow.

Throughout this lesson we will explore how to cultivate curiosity through observation and reflection. We will tap into our senses and embody the feeling of being curious. We will practice asking questions over and over, celebrating all the mysteries that make life interesting.

Teacher Priming Activities

It is important to tap into your own curiosity before asking your students to do so.

What are you curious about? We have provided a list making activity and a walking & mapping exercise that will ground you in the space of being curious.

Discussion Topics

Why Curiosity? - This video can be used as a teacher facing tool to prepare for an initial classroom discussion around the topic of Curiosity and, if age-appropriate for your students, it can be used in the classroom to support that conversation.

Why Observation? - This document provides a framework for how to engage the full body within the context of curiosity and looking and listening deeply.

Creative Routines

Everyday Detective - a practice of collecting everyone's curiosities throughout time and displaying them on a wall to celebrate wonder collectively.

This is Not a... - An object activity that supports divergent thinking and looking at ordinary objects through unique lenses.

Walk & Freeze - A theater activity that can support students to develop curiosity through movement and engaging the senses.

Creative Challenges

Embodied Curiosity - A theater challenge that asks students to create tableaux-vivants (or living pictures) based on classroom curiosities. Students practice finding and sharing stories using careful observation.

Supplemental Theater Videos



In this lesson, you will find a few theater-based videos that can serve as additional support and scaffolding for the creative challenge.

Deepening

We have provided a few articles to read to dive deeper into the topic of Curiosity.