

WORKSHOP EXTENSION ACTIVITY

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Ages 5-12

CONNECT.

Did you know there are close to 400,000 different kinds of flowering plants around the world? These plants produce flowers of all different colors, shapes, and sizes!

Do you have a favorite type of flower? Where have you seen it before? Why do you like it?

INVESTIGATE.

Take a nature walk with your family, or search for pictures of flowers on the internet. Make sure you ask an adult for help when working online.

Then, brainstorm as many adjectives (descriptive words) about flowers as you can. Think about what different kinds of flowers look like, feel like, smell like, and even sound like!

Flower Adjectives

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Finally, reflect on how flowers make you, or the people around you feel. Do flowers make you think about any memories, experiences, or emotions? Jot down any ideas or thoughts that come to mind!

Flower Feelings

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INNOVATE.

Turn your descriptive words and feelings into a shape poem! Shape poems are poems that are shaped like the thing they describe. You'll be writing a poem about flowers, which you'll copy around the edges of your Blooming Picture Frame's petals, stem, and leaves.

You'll need:

- Blooming Picture Frame
- Notepad
- Pencil
- Fine point permanent marker

1. Grab your notebook and pencil, and review your brainstorming. Circle or underline words that you may like to include in your poem. Try to pick words that are creative, interesting, fun, and/or emotional.
2. Then, use these words to write a poem that describes flowers. Your poem may rhyme or be free verse. It may consist of sentences, be a list of words, or even alternate between the two! Just remember it needs to fit on your frame, so it shouldn't be too long.
3. When you're happy with your poem, use your pencil to write it lightly and neatly along the edges of the frame, as close to the edge as possible. Begin near the top of the flower and think about where the reader's eyes may travel so you write your poem in a way that makes sense. If it's a little too long, continue it along the frame's base as well.
4. Next, trace over the pencil with a fine point marker. Write slowly and focus on each letter. When the entire poem is inscribed in marker, erase any pencil marks that remain.
5. Fill your Blooming Picture Frame with a favorite photo, drawing, or painting. Your unique frame now displays art in various forms!

Share a picture of your Blooming Picture Frame on display with its completed shape poem using #kidsworkshopexplore.



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