

Suggested Lesson Plans

(The following plans are designed to accompany the book version of *The Three Wishes* by Elizabeth Goldsmith-Conley. They can be adapted to other versions of the story by changing the words in the Vocabulary Activity.)

Before Reading Activities:

Activity 1: 3 Wish Booklet

- a. Goals: Children will discuss the concept of wishing and make connections between their own wishes and the wishes of the characters in the stories
- b. See booklet Copy Master

Activity 2: Vocabulary

- a. Goals: Children will broaden their vocabulary and practice the strategy of visualization for understanding and retaining concepts.
- b. See Vocabulary Copy Master

After Reading Activities

Activity 3: Story Elements

- a. Goals: Children will make drawings of characters and settings and include details
- b. See Story Element Copy Master

Activity 4: Puppet Reenactment

- a. Goals: Children will reenact the story using stick puppets
- b. See Puppet Template and Short Script unless they are retelling story in their own words

Extensions:

Activity 5: Watching the Puppet DVD

Activity 6: Comparing Different Versions

The Three Wishes, Margot Zemach

Rosa & Marco and the Three Wishes, Barbara Brenner

The Three Wishes (An Easy-to-Read *Folktale*). M. Jean Craig, Yuri Saizman ...

Sesame Street 1 2 3 Storybook, see "The Monster's Three Wishes"

- a. Goals: Children will think critically about different versions of the story by comparing their story elements, choosing their favorite, and explaining why.
- b. Read several different versions and then fill out the Story Map Copy Master

Note the following websites:

<http://www.websitesusan.com/3wishes/read3/readPage.htm#> (an online picture book)

<http://www.timelessteacherstuff.com/readerstheater/ThreeWishes.pdf> (a play with 6 parts)