

# Don't Feed the WorryBug - Ideas and Activities

Title: *Don't Feed the WorryBug* by Andi Green

Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_

CCSS: \_\_\_\_\_

(CCSS recommendations found on pg 5)

## **Pre-Reading:**

Objective: Think about 'worry' and why it happens.

## **Lesson 1:**

- 1) Predict what will happen.
  - Based on the title and cover, what do you think this book will be about?
- 2) Vocabulary- Review the following new words:
  - wonder, worries, shooed, annoyance, exclaimed, experts, staff, firm

## **Reading/Post-Reading**

- 3) Read the book slowly with the entire group.
- 4) Questions to think about (can be done during any of the 3 lessons):
  - Why do you think the author wrote this story?
  - What is the moral of the story?
  - How do you relate to the main character's problem?
- 5) Talk about the story.
  - What is a WorryBug?
  - Find your favorite page and tell us why you liked it the best.
  - What did Wince do when he was worried?
  - How do you know that Wince overcame his worries?
  - Can you make certain worries go away? How?

## **Lesson 2:**

- 1) Choose a 2nd reading style. Use plastic telephones, finger pointers, or partner read.
  - Word Work: Rhyming Word Pairs Hunt (e.g., day, away; two, do; pants, dance)  
With a partner, use a white board and marker to collect rhyming words.
  - Use a Venn Diagram to compare the personality traits and goals of Wince with those of The WorryBug.

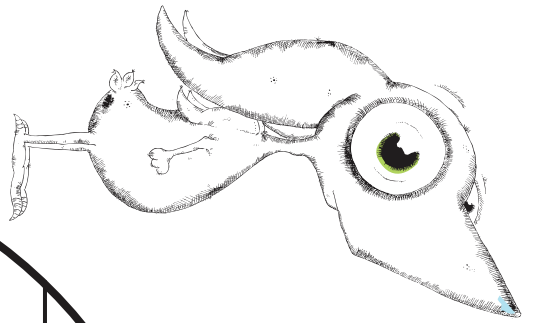
## **Lesson 3:**

- 1) Choose a new reading partner or silently read the book.
- 2) Toss the WorryBug plush around the classroom as a way to share worries.
- 3) Reader's Personal Response Questions:
  - When was the last time you worried about something?
  - What made you worry? How did you feel?
  - How did you stop worrying about it?
  - Did you feel better after that worry went away? Describe what happened.

## **NOTES/COMMENTS**

### **Tiff Tip:**

The Wince - Don't Feed The WorryBug app on iTunes helps kids interact with the story!



# Venn Diagram

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

