Alex and the Amazing Lemonade Stand

Discussion Questions (Kindergarten-2nd Grade)

Note to Teachers: Alex and the Amazing Lemonade Stand is based on the true story of Alexandra “Alex” Scott, who set out to raise money toward finding a cure for all kids who had cancer like she did. At age 4, she hosted her first lemonade stand in her front yard. Her efforts of holding a lemonade stand inspired others to do the same. This led to $1 million being raised by the time she passed away at the age of 8. Since that time, Alex’s Lemonade Stand Foundation has continued to support Alex’s dream of raising money to find a cure for all childhood cancers.

Request a free copy of Alex and the Amazing Lemonade Stand for your classroom by visiting: http://www.alexslemonade.org/bookrequest. See below for a list of topics and themes you can discuss with your students.

Before Reading

1. Connecting: Can you think of a time when you helped someone? How did it make you feel?
2. Predicting: What prediction can you make by looking at the picture on the front cover? What do you think this book will be about?
3. Sharing: (After reading the title) Has anyone ever heard of Alex’s Lemonade Stand? Have you ever had a lemonade stand yourself? Why did you hold it?

During Reading

4. Drawing Conclusions: Why was Alex sad? (p.5)
   Why do you think Alex decided to have a lemonade stand rather than just asking people to donate? (p.8)
5. Vocabulary: What is a “cure”? Why did Alex want to find one? (p.20)
6. Drawing Conclusions: Why do you think some of the children in the picture have no hair? (p.24)

After Reading

7. Summarizing: What did Alex do to help other kids who were sick like she was?
   What did people do to help Alex with her mission to raise money toward a cure? Why do you think they did this?
8. Connecting: What can you do to help sick kids like Alex did?