

The String Thing Story

What Can it Teach Our Children?

A Discussion Guide for Parents, Teachers & Other Adult Mentors

Use this optional questionnaire to facilitate a discussion with children

1. Why did King Tovardana invite the children of Niceria to the palace?
2. What did the King tell the children to do with their roll of string?
3. Why do you think the little girl named Faith stepped up to help?
4. What were the instructions from the King that Faith remembered?
5. Do you think that Faith believed her single strand of string would really work?
6. Why didn't Faith give up trying to help save the person trapped in the Well when she realized her string wasn't strong enough?
7. Why do you think the little girl named Hope stepped up to help Faith?
8. Why didn't Faith and Hope just give up trying when they realized that even their two combined strings were not strong enough to save the person trapped in the Well?
9. What was the name of the little boy who stepped up to offer to help?
10. What did Little Love do?
11. Why did the many children come running to help?
12. What do you think it was like with all those children working together?
13. Why do you think some of the adults doubted that the silly looking String Thing would even work?
14. What do you think made the King the happiest?
15. How do you think that day changed the Kingdom of Niceria?
16. What lessons can we learn from the String Thing Story? What does it teach us?
17. What does the following quote mean? *"When we work together to help others, we strengthen ourselves."*
18. What kind of gifts do you think you have?
19. Have you ever used your gifts or talents to help someone?
20. Have you ever been a part of a String Thing group of people who worked together to help someone in need?
21. What ideas could you come up with to create a String Thing group?
22. What will you think of whenever you see a tassel?
23. What was the instruction to the children when the King gave them their roll of string?