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GUSTAVO THE SHY GHOST

TRANSITIONAL KINDERGARTEN/
KINDERGARTEN

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**PROJECT
CORNERSTONE**

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AGENDA

Gustavo Lesson Summary

Conversation Starter

Reading the book

Discussion Questions

Activity Options

Extension



CONVERSATION STARTER: AMY'S VIDEO

READING THE BOOK TO TK/K

Longer story for some of these little learners

- Point out pictures
 - Find Gustavo in his various forms
 - Look at facial expressions
 - Summarize if needed



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Following the story, reflect on it together

Seeking understanding and the beginning stages of application to their own experiences.

ACTIVITY OPTION: FRIENDSHIP BEAN BAG TOSS

If another rhythm is better for you, use it!

Back to adult in between because we want to make sure everyone gets a turn, they hear us saying their name, and they get some interaction with us individually



ACTIVITY OPTION: DANCE PARTY

Dance and stop to different music for fun and to practice active listening together.

Great way to have fun with the students and work on listening skills. Be an example of celebrating their skills and abilities.

You could have different students showcase different dance moves for the class to try (with some parameters explained).

Management Tip: Start with a peppy, fast songs and end with slower songs to bring down the energy before you close and say goodbye. The whole stopping and starting songs and dancing should be around 5 minutes.

ACTIVITY OPTION: HIDDEN GHOSTS

Talk with your teacher ahead of time about expectations and norms they want to highlight or remind the children of.

Management Tip: select students who are showcasing desired behavior, also consider the quiet student who is raising their hand for the first time, give opportunities.

If needed, maybe the find the rest of the ghosts with teacher later in the day! (or teacher could use this to highlight a behavior throughout the month)



CLOSING

End highlighting what was learned and something to practice

- Thank them for sharing the time and space with you!

SCHOOLWIDE EXTENSION

Encourage your classroom teacher to do one of these activities, or if there is time, collaborate with other classes to make a memorable learning experience.

- Cultural learning for Halloween time
- More friendship skills and reminders of relationship building

Share your creations in the hallways for everyone to enjoy!

THANK YOU!