



A Common Core State Standards-
Aligned Discussion & Activity Guide for
Grades PK-1

Dream Big

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A bold, inspiring message for little graduates of today with a heartening homage to female trailblazers of the past from beloved creator Joyce Wan!

*Dream your dreams with your eyes wide open and make them come true.
Dream big, little one, the world is waiting for you.*

In this dreamy oversized board book, little ones will find the courage and strength to achieve anything they want -- all by dreaming big! With inspiring illustrations of female trailblazers and icons of history and simple, hopeful text, Joyce Wan creates a moving send-off for graduates of all ages. Included in the back is a simple guide to some of the bold dreamers who came before us who followed their dreams . . . and changed the world.

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Fun Facts Cards

Objective: To make a connection between the illustrations and the story in which they appear.

Materials:

- *Dream Big*, the book
- Fun Fact Cards (Guide, pgs. ???)
- Cardstock
- A circular binder clip
- Scissors
- A hole punch
- Lamination (optional)

Procedure:

- Print **Fun Fact Cards** on cardstock.
- Use scissors to trim around the borders of the **Fun Fact Cards**.
- Laminate the **Fun Fact Cards**.
- Using the black circle printed on each card as a guide, punch a hole in a corner of each card.
- Create a booklet with the cards by stacking them together.
- Using the **Fun Fact Cards** booklet as a guide, associate each illustration with each woman's photograph.
- Make a connection with each woman's **Fun Fact Card** and the "dream" action described on each page of the book.





FUN FACT CARDS



Amelia Earhart

The first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean



Harriet Tubman

A humanitarian, spy, and former slave who led many enslaved people to freedom



Valentina Tereshkova



The first woman to travel into space



Zaha Hadid



World renowned architect known for bold, visionary designs.



Chien-Shiung Wu



A pioneer in research on nuclear physics





Ellen DeGeneres

A comedian and television star known for her kindness and generosity



Eugenie Clark



Nicknamed "The Shark Lady" for her pioneering research on sharks



Florence Griffith Joyner

A three-time Olympic gold medalist and the fastest woman of all time



Frida Kahlo



An iconic artist best known for her introspective self-portraits



Jane Goodall



A pioneer in research on the behavior of wild chimpanzees



Junko Tabei

The first woman to climb Mount Everest and all seven summits of the world



Katherine Johnson



A mathematician whose calculations helped NASA send people to space

Maya Angelou



A poet and author who inspires people worldwide with her wisdom and words

Rosa Parks



An activist whose brave action of resistance ignited the Civil Rights Movement



Sirimavo Bandaranaike



A former prime minister of Sri Lanka and the world's first woman premier

You



Can't wait to see where your dreams take you!

Power Word Booklet

Objective: Demonstrate understanding of the organization and basic features of print.

Materials:

- *Dream Big*, the book
- Power Word Booklet (Guide, pgs. ???)
- Cardstock
- Stapler
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Markers

Procedure:

- Print **Power Word Booklet** pages (Guide, pgs. ????)
- Use scissors to trim around the borders of the booklet pages.
- Use pencil to trace over the letters of each page of the booklet.
- Use markers to create an illustration representing the meaning of each word.
- Create a Power Word Booklet by stapling completed booklet pages together.
- Look through *Dream Big* to locate each of the words in the booklet. Make a connection between the illustrations in the book and the child's interpretation of the definition of the power words in their booklet.





Power
Word
Booklet

high

brave

far



wide

wild

fast

deep



vibrant

kind

steep

bold



probabilities

impossibilities

powerful

big



A Narrative of Powerful You!

Objective: Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to narrate a single event.

Materials:

- *Dream Big*, the book
- Power Word Booklet (Guide, pgs. ???)
- You! Graphic Organizer (Guide, pg. ???)
- Pencil
- Markers

Procedure:

- Determine the definitions of the “power words” used in *Dream Big*. Encourage students to choose a word that they identify with.
- Print a copy of the **You! Graphic Organizer**. Instruct student to write their chosen power word in the space provided.
- Direct student to write a brief narrative describing a time that they identified with the energy of their chosen word – in a fictional or non-fictional way.
- Instruct student to illustrate their work and share it with the class.



You!



Your Power Word





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