

Anne

The Animated Series

EDUCATOR'S
GUIDE
EPISODE #23





A WELCOME HERO - EPISODE #23

Anne is thrilled to hear that famous adventure novelist E.J. Lark is coming to town. Upon meeting the novelist she is dismayed to realize that the writer isn't the handsome, debonair celebrity she envisioned, but a bespectacled female who looks like a librarian! However, a few hours in her company soon makes Anne aware of her sterling qualities and she ultimately realizes that you can't judge a book by its cover.

Learning Objective

Community helpers, heroes, and the topic of authors can all lead to great activities that build:

Language/Literacy Skills Development

Talking About the Episode

- What is a hero? Why do you think it is important to have a hero? Who is your hero? Why?
- Why was Anne disappointed when she saw EJ Lark get off the train? (EJ Lark didn't look like her expectations).

A Book by Its Cover

Buy sheets of butcher/plain large paper from a shipping and packaging store or a local butcher. Provide children with a large sheet and plenty of tape so they can make a book cover. Have children choose ahead of time the book they would like to cover- a school book, a book from church or a book they own. For younger children, have them cut out pictures from magazines to capture what the book is all about. For older children, use magazines and newspapers to cut out words to capture what the book is all about.

Everyday Heroes

We all know famous heroes, but there are many unrecognized everyday heroes. Discuss with your children what a hero is: someone who is helpful, kind and brave. Help children understand that the world is filled with heroes. Tell children about some of the everyday heroes in your life and ask them to tell you something heroic that they, or someone they know, have done.



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Just Doing Their Job!

Have children think of community heroes that they'd like to know more about. Suggestions: a police officer, pediatrician, veterinarian, fire fighter, mayor or librarian. Invite these individuals to your class for a question and answer session or take neighbourhood outings to visit local heroes at their place of work. Plan together the types of questions you would like to pose. Afterward, write stories, draw pictures, write thank you cards, paint murals or create collages about the visit; extend the experience through as many activities as possible!