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SHARE YOUR SPARKLE!

DEAR EDUCATOR,

My Little Pony is a brand that sparkles with hope, creativity, inclusion, and kindness. And now this childhood favorite has a new look, with new adventures and new “mane” characters: Sunny, Hitch, Zipp, Izzy, and Pipp. As they prance, play, and solve problems in Equestria, these new ponies will show children how friendship, courage, and confidence can help change the world and inspire them to celebrate each other’s unique differences. You and your students can see them in action in ***My Little Pony: A New Generation* available on Netflix!**

To help you get a head start on the fun, we are pleased to provide this free educational program from eOne/Hasbro and the curriculum specialists at Young Minds Inspired. The program’s easy-to-implement activities support early social-emotional development by spotlighting self-esteem, pro-social behavior, and teamwork. In addition, there is a take-home letter that features follow-up family activities that extend the fun and learning to the home.

We hope that you will enjoy this program and share it with other teachers in your school. Although the materials are protected by copyright, you may make as many copies as needed for educational purposes. And please let us know your thoughts on this program at ymiclassroom.com/feedback-mylittlepony. We look forward to receiving your feedback.

Sincerely,
Dr. Dominic Kinsley
Editor in Chief
Young Minds Inspired

 Questions? Contact YMI toll-free at 1-800-895-8005 or by email at feedback@ymiclassroom.com.



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About My Little Pony: A New Generation

Diversity reigns in Equestria as a new generation gallops onto the scene. Meet Sunny Starscout and Hitch Trailblazer, two Earth ponies who want to make the world a better place. They are joined by Izzy Moonbow, a unicorn who can’t hide her sparkle or her creativity, and by two members of pony royalty, Zipp Storm and Pipp Petals, who love blazing new trails for others. Each of these new “mane” characters has unique strengths and interests to contribute to ponykind, and they are all ready to solve challenges and make friends.

Target Audience

Children ages 4-6

Program Components

Available at ymiclassroom.com/mylittlepony:

- This teacher’s guide
- Five reproducible activity sheets
- A reproducible parent/caregiver letter in English and Spanish
- An educational standards chart
- An online feedback form

What Children Will Learn:

- Social skills
- Artistic expression
- Self-esteem
- Fine and gross motor skills
- The importance of diversity in making a strong team

How to Use the Program

This program can be used by teachers, parents, and caregivers. Make photocopies of the five activity sheets to use in class or email them to families to use at home. Do the same with the take-home letter to extend the learning. In class, help children by reading each activity sheet aloud.

ACTIVITY 1

WHAT’S YOUR SPARKLE?

Pipp Petals loves to sing and dance and let her confidence shine. Start the activity by asking children to talk about the special qualities that make them sparkle. Suggest a special talent like singing, dancing, or bike riding. Hand out copies of the activity sheet. Have children decorate the outline and then add their special qualities. When done, have each child complete the sentence starter, “I sparkle because...”. Help children by writing their responses.

Extend the activity by having children share their drawings and what makes them sparkle just like Pipp Petals when she sings with her background singers, the Pipsqueaks. Display the pictures to celebrate each child’s unique sparkle, or bind them as a book for the class library for all children to read, celebrate, and enjoy together.



ACTIVITY 2

SPARKLE WITH KINDNESS!

Sunny Starscout knows kindness counts. Begin by explaining that being a good friend means making kind choices and helping others. Guide children in brainstorming actions they think make a good friend (e.g., saying kind words, taking turns, listening to others, helping each other, sharing, etc.). Make a class chart with picture labels based on their ideas. When someone in the class sparkles with kindness, they can make a tally mark on the chart. Set a class goal. When the goal is reached, celebrate by doing a special activity (e.g., extra outside time, class game time, etc.).

Next, distribute copies of the activity sheet and read the descriptions of the behaviors aloud as the children look at the pictures. Children color the “hoof up” or “hoof down” image for each behavior to show kind vs. not-so-kind behaviors. When done, ask the children how the unkind behavior could be turned around to show kindness.

ACTIVITY 3

We CAN DO IT!

Izzy Moonbow loves to create new things and loves to play with her friends. She always has big ideas. Begin by explaining that when we work as a team, it helps us do big things. Tell the children they will be working in teams to make their own pony palace towers. Give each child a few blocks, then divide the class into small groups and challenge each group to make the tallest pony palace tower they can. But they can only touch their own blocks, so they must work together to decide how to build a team tower. Using cooperation and kind conversation together, the towers can soar.

Next, pair the children and give each pair a copy of the activity sheet. Explain that the ponies Izzy and Sunny want to meet in the middle of the maze on the activity sheet. Have the children turn the sheet so one of them is on the Izzy side of the maze and the other on the Sunny side. Then have them navigate the maze to meet in the middle at the workshop. At the bottom of the sheet, help children write their names to show who worked together.

As a follow-up, create paper plate flowers with the children. Provide them with different colors of construction paper to tear into flower petals and help them glue the petals onto a paper plate. A final touch of glitter makes this a craft that Izzy would love.

ACTIVITY 4

We CAN HELP!

Begin by explaining that pony Hitch Trailblazer is Sherriff of Maretime Bay. He’s a helper who protects everypony! Ask for volunteers to act out some helping situations, assign each volunteer one of the situations below, and have the class guess the action:

- Sharing a toy/book (school)
- Helping clean up after dinner (home)
- Helping pick up trash (world)

Next, create a three-column chart labeled “I help at school,” “I help at home,” and “I help the world.” Work with the children to place each situation they acted out in the appropriate column. Have the class brainstorm other ways they can help under the three categories.

Distribute copies of the activity sheet and read the picture sentences about helping at school, at home, and in the world. Children can add their own ideas of how to help in the picture space and write a sentence to describe the image. Display the sheets around the classroom.

ACTIVITY 5

Be BOLD, Be TRUE, Be YOU!

Zipp Storm likes athletics and does things her own way. She may be a princess, but she decides what a princess can do. Introduce the activity by explaining everyone’s sparkle is different, but together we make a beautiful world.

To help the children learn about their differences, and how they come together as a class, make pairs of cards with a color, a letter, or number on them. Give each child a card and have them find a partner with the matching card. Have the partners talk about what makes them the same and different. As a class, review what the children learned about each other, and talk about how all their differences help make the whole class a great team.

To conclude, challenge the children to create their own unique dances using the moves shown in the squares on the activity sheet. Help the children cut out the squares and glue them in the order they choose. Then have them act out their unique dances, first individually, then all together to create a team dance festival!

Resources

- mylittlepony.com
- mylittlepony.hasbro.com/en-us
- ymiclassroom.com/mylittlepony



Activity 1



PIPP PETALS

WHAT'S YOUR SPARKLE?

PIPP PETALS LOVES TO SING.
THE PIPSQUEAKS LOVE HER SINGING, TOO.
WHAT DO YOU LOVE ABOUT YOU?

Color this picture to look like you.
Circle the things that you like to do.



SHOW YOUR SPARKLE!

Complete this sentence:

I SPARKLE BECAUSE

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ACTIVITY 2



SUNNY STARSCOUT

SPARKLE WITH KINDNESS!

SUNNY STARSCOUT KNOWS KINDNESS COUNTS. HELP SUNNY CHOOSE KIND ACTIONS.



Color **hoofs up** if the action is kind.



Color **hoofs down** if it is not kind.



Pipp

Izzy



A pony says nice words, like "Good job!" to a friend.



Zipp

Hitch



A pony says mean words like "Too bad you can't fly" to a friend.



Hitch



A pony takes all the toys.



Pipp

Zipp



A pony shares.

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ACTIVITY
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We CAN DO it!

IZZY MOONBOW HAS BIG IDEAS.
SHE LOVES TO MAKE NEW THINGS.



IZZY MOONBOW

Work with a partner to help Izzy meet her friend Sunny at the workshop.



Sunny



Izzy

Write your names here.

We Did it!

_____ and _____

worked together to find the workshop.

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ACTIVITY 4



We CAN HELP!

HiTCH TRAILBLAZER LIkES TO DO THE RiGHT THING. He LIkES TO HELP OTHERS.

Read the sentences to learn ways to help.

SHARE



SCHOOL



We can _____ to help at _____.

CLEAN UP



HOME



We can _____ to help at _____.

CARE



EARTH



We can _____ to help the _____.

How do you help like Hitch?

I can _____

to help _____.



Draw a picture.



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ACTIVITY
5

Be BOLD, Be TRUE, Be YOU!

ZIPP STORM



ZIPP STORM LOVES
TO MOVE AND PLAY.
SHE DOES THINGS HER OWN WAY.

MAKE YOUR OWN DANCE!

Cut out the cards.
Line up the cards in any order.
Glue them in the boxes.
Dance your way like Zipp!



CLAP



STOMP



SPIN



SKIP

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DEAR PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS,

Your child is learning how to *Share Your Sparkle!* with activities on friendship, teamwork, valuing differences, imaginative play, and social-emotional skills inspired by the new generation of pony friends in the movie ***My Little Pony: A New Generation***, available on Netflix!

Ask your child about the activities they've been doing at school. Then extend the learning by trying these ideas together at home:

WHAT'S YOUR SPARKLE?

Everyone in your family is special, just like everypony. Talk about what makes each of you sparkle. What special talents do you each have? What strengths do you see in each other? Make a family drawing to celebrate the unique sparkle of each family member.

SPARKLE WITH KINDNESS!

Talk about actions that sparkle at home (e.g., sharing, taking turns, helping with chores, etc.). Also talk about times when it's hard to work together. For these situations, talk about how to turn the situation around to sparkle.

WE CAN DO IT!

Izzy Moonbow loves getting crafty, especially when she can use things she already has to make something even more amazing. As a family, collect clean reusable items like boxes, tubes, and plastic containers. Decorate and create a playhouse for toys, a family sculpture, or boxes to organize craft supplies.

WE CAN HELP!

Make a list with your family of rules that keep you safe and happy (for example, using nice words, doing chores before playing, sticking to screen time limits, etc.). As a family, make a family rule chart and sign together. Give high fives and compliments when family members notice each other following the rules.

BE BOLD, BE TRUE, BE YOU!

Zipp doesn't always feel like she has anything in common with her sister Pipp, but differences should be celebrated. Take a family poll of likes and dislikes. Talk about how being different means different interests and strengths, which makes family life more interesting!

Go to mylittlepony.com to find more ideas about how to share your sparkle!



A new generation of ponies is ready to prance and play.



Everypony has a unique sparkle! As a family, watch the all-new movie, ***My Little Pony: A New Generation***, available on Netflix, then follow the new adventures on YouTube: <http://youtube.com/mylittlepony>.

