

Linus - The Yellow Pencil

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Synopsis: Linus and his eraser, Ernie, don't always see eye to eye. But with the family art show drawing near, these two will have to sharpen their collaboration to make something neither one could do on their own!

Suggested Reading Date: Anytime

Activity Descriptions:

- Introduce students to multiple meanings of words. (The most heart, feeling dull, rubs me the wrong way, feeling sharper than ever, idea blossomed, drew a crowd)
- Foster cooperation with having pairs of students work together to create a work of art.
- Discuss the problems and solution in the story.
- Discuss what positive self-talk is and have students create a list.
- Put out different art supplies that were mentioned in the story for students to try out.

Related Websites:

- Scott Magoon's website: <https://scottmagoon.com/linus>
- Drawing with Scott Magoon: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z_7aWM8IGuU

Text to Text Connections:

Sam & Eva by Ohi, Debbie Ridpath

Perfect by Amato, Max

Pencil's Perfect Picture by McKay, Jodi

The Book of Mistakes by Luyken, Corinna

Art & Max by Wiesner, David

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