

Reading into Success Story Guides

Social Emotional Learning

Before Reading:

- Read the title aloud, along with the author and illustrator. Ask for a prediction on what the book will be about, after showing the cover.
- Do a picture walk by flipping through the pages looking at the illustrations. Let the child make observations. You do not have to read text, unless you want to draw attention to any special features.
- Have you ever had to go somewhere or do something you did not want to do? How did you feel at the end or when it was completed?

During Reading:

- How does CJ feel after leaving the church? How can you tell?
- What beauty did they see when out in the city?

After Reading:

- How did CJ's mood change throughout the story?
- What did CJ learn on his trip through the city?

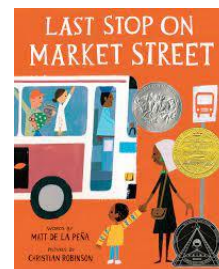
Putting into Practice:

- What does it mean to appreciate? What are some things you appreciate?
- Why is it hard sometimes to see the good in people, places, or things? What can we do to help us see the beauty? (What are things CJ did?)
- Why is it important to keep an open-mind?

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A storybook guide for **Last Stop on Market Street** by Matt de la Peña and illustrated by Christian Robinson.

SEL Competencies

Social Awareness,
Responsible
Decision-Making

Themes

Community, Helping
Others, Finding
Beauty,
Appreciation,
Gratitude

Book

Description

CJ and his nana travel through their community, discovering beauty in people and places we least think of looking.