



Holiday Arts Break #2

Paper Kite is the third film in *Kids Flicks Program Two*. It's the story of a young girl who is trying to decide between following the rules or following her imagination. This film was made by students in Qatar and has English subtitles, but there is very little dialogue in the film. Younger readers may need help keeping up with the subtitles, but this is a great opportunity for young audiences to embrace watching films in this way.

Questions for Discussion:

1. Were you worried for the central character when she first got in trouble?
2. What do the girls discover they have in common? How do they discover this?
3. Would you sneak into a teacher's office? If yes, for what reason? If no, is there any reason you could think of that would change your answer?
4. Were you rooting for the girls to succeed in their quest? Why or why not?
5. Do you think the central character should have been punished? What do you think about her saving her friend?
6. What do you think the kite represents?
7. What do you think about rules? Why do we need rules? When (if at any time) do you think it's appropriate to break the rules?

Suggested Activity:

Make a kite! Watch this video for a very simple tutorial that shows you how to make a kite with supplies you likely already have at home.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t96s74TKkMo>

Feel free to elaborate by decorating and adding details. These are so simple to make, you can make multiples if you like. Try tying them in a row and watching them fly together in the wind, or use a fan inside if it's too cold.

Or draw a kite instead. See if you can replicate the kite in the movie!

Send us a picture of your activity at teacher@thepicturehouse.org, or post it online and use the hashtag #TPHathome - we want to hear from you!