

Friends Beyond Measure: A Story Told With Infographics

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Synopsis: Ana and Harwin are great friends and the data supports that, but what happens when Harwin's family moves away?

Suggested Reading Date: March 5th – International Open Data Day; April – Mathematics and Statistics Awareness Month; June 8th – National Best Friend Day

Activity Descriptions:

- Discuss how the infographics support and add to understanding of the story.
- Talk about why a particular infographic might have been chosen for each spread.
- Have different classes or grade level create an infographic about the school or the library (great for library month!) and then create a display.
- Have students pair up and create Venn Diagrams about their interests.
- Have students choose one infographic to create from choices from the author (see link below).
- Share books with infographics.
- Have students analyze an infographic. Is the information clear? What is the main idea that is being shared?
- Model creating an infographic using a computer-based program available to students.

Related Websites:

- Author/illustrator's website: <http://www.lalenalab.com/index.html>
- Activity guide from publisher: <https://b0f646cfbd7462424f7a-f9758a43fb7c33cc8adda0fd36101899.ssl.cf2.rackcdn.com/activity-guides/AG-9780063210523.pdf>
- Diagram activity masters from the author: http://www.lalenalab.com/illustration/illustration_activitypgs.html
- Infographics from Kids Discover magazine: <https://kidsdiscover.com/infographics/>

Text to Text Connections:

- *Evelyn Del Rey is Moving Away* by Meg Medina
- *The Boy Who Loved Maps* by Kari Allen
- *Friends are Friends Forever* by Dane Liu

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