We Are Definitely Human Written & Illustrated by X. Fang

Synopsis: This story revolves around three strangers who show up unexpectedly to Mr. Li's farm with "car trouble." Are they aliens? Are they from "Europe?" Despite their unusual appearance and strange behavior, they're treated with kindness by the local community.

Suggested Reading Date: November 13 (World Kindness Day); February 10 (Extraterrestrial Culture Day)

Activity Descriptions

- Discuss: What are some ways that Mr. and Mrs. Li and the townspeople made the visitors feel welcome? Discuss how this story's message of acceptance can be applied to various social situations.
- Write: Have students invent their own "definitely human" characters engaging in "normal" human activities. Describe the things they are doing.
- Draw: Invite students to draw portraits of the visitors, what they imagine their home to be like, or what activities they imagine them doing
- Create: Challenge students to design a spaceship using paper plates, clay and/or other materials

Related Websites

- Author Website: https://www.xfang.studio/
- Extraterrestrial Culture Day: https://www.daysoftheyear.com/days/extraterrestrial-culture-day/
- World Kindness Day: https://worldkindness.org/creative-and-impactful-world-kindness-day-activities-for-students/

Text to Text Connections

- How to Welcome an Alien by Rebecca Klempner
- Your Alien, Your Alien Returns by Tammi Sauer
- Life on Mars by Jon Agee
- The Alien Next Door series by A.I. Newton

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