

WRITING COMPLIMENTS

Activity overview: The purpose of this activity is to provide particiants with an opportunity to practice writing compliments they might give to other teachers. Giving compliments and making positive statements and comments to adults in the classroom is a great way to establish a welcoming and inclusive classroom climate and culture.

Directions: For each of the following scenarios, write a compliment:

1. A group of children and your volunteer are playing in the sand. As the children bury different animal figures in the sand, the volunteer says "Wow! I see an animal that starts with a 'B' who says "Grrrrrr!" hiding in the sandDoes anyone else see it?"
2. While at the writing table, Teacher Marina said to Teacher Christopher, "Have you noticed that Hassan is bringing papers close to his eyes?" Teacher Christopher replies, "No, I hadn't seen that. Maybe we should let the family know." Hassan, indeed, needed glasses.
3. Think of an example from your most recent teaching day and write a compliment to another teacher.

