

Title: Henry's Secret Valentine

Author/Illustrator: Jeffrey Dinardo

Genre: Fantasy

Theme: Valentines Day, New Friends

Setting: Classroom

Characters: Henry, Frieda, Sarah

Summary:

Henry's class is making Valentines special. They decorate the classroom, plan treats to bring to school and make Valentines for each other.

Henry begins receiving secret Valentines, but he doesn't know who they are coming from. He thought they were from Sarah, but they are really from Frieda the new student in class. Frieda is shy, and doesn't know anyone. By the end of the day, Frieda received Valentines from everyone and is happy to be in the school.

Questions:

Who did Henry think the Valentines were from? Answers Vary

Who was Sarah's Valentine for? Simon

Why is Frieda shy? She was new to the school, she didn't have friends, she didn't know anyone.

Have you ever made Valentines Day cards for friends?

Extension/Projects to go with the book

- Make Valentines for friends
- Talk about feelings (integrate into 2nd steps). Feeling scared or shy when you don't know anyone.