LESSON PLAN

# The Angel's Tear

| GRADES | TIME | READING LEVEL |
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| 9+ | 50 min | 4 |

## Lesson flow




5 min

### Opening Hook

Begin with a short discussion on the importance of empathy. Ask students if they have ever witnessed someone being mocked and how it made them feel.

15–20 min

### Story Exploration

Read "The Angel's Tear" aloud to the class. After reading, engage the students in a brief discussion about their initial reactions to the story.

15 min

### Analysis Exercises

Divide students into small groups to analyze the characters. Each group will discuss the Unworthy Man's actions and the Angel's reaction, focusing on the consequences of the Unworthy Man's lack of compassion.

10 min

### Application/Reflection

Have students write a short paragraph reflecting on a time they or someone they know experienced mockery and what the outcome was. Encourage them to relate it back to the moral of the story.

5 min

### Assessment Strategy

End the lesson with a quick quiz or a few questions to assess understanding of the moral.

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# STORY OVERVIEW

- **Title and Moral/Theme**: The Angel's Tear; The moral is that mocking others in their suffering can lead to one's own misfortune and regret.
- **Plot Summary**: The story follows an Unworthy Man who ridicules a Woman in distress, only to find himself lamenting his actions. The Angel of Compassion, witnessing his plight, drops a tear that turns into a hailstone, striking him on the head. This moment of irony showcases the consequences of his mocking behavior.
- **Key Characters and Their Significance**:
  - **Unworthy Man**: Represents those who lack empathy and mock others' suffering but ultimately face their own consequences.
  - **Angel of Compassion**: Embodies the theme of compassion and serves as a reminder of the repercussions of one's actions.

# LESSON FUNDAMENTALS

- **Learning Objectives**:
  - Students will understand the moral lesson of the story.
  - Students will analyze the characters' motivations and consequences of their actions.
  - Students will discuss the themes of empathy and compassion in the context of the story.
  - Students will reflect on personal experiences related to the moral of the story.
- **Discussion Questions**:
  1. What did the Unworthy Man learn from his experience with the Angel of Compassion?
  2. How does the story illustrate the importance of empathy towards others?
  3. Can you think of a real-life situation where mocking someone led to negative consequences?
- **Required Materials**:
  - Copies of "The Angel's Tear"
  - Whiteboard and markers
  - Paper for note-taking

✓ Original text available on the story page.