LESSON PLAN

Two Kings

GRADES	TIME	READING LEVEL
9+	50 min	5

Lesson flow



5 min

Opening Hook

Start with a brief discussion on what pride is, asking students to share personal experiences where pride played a role in a decision they made.

15–20 min

Story Exploration

Read the story "The Two Kings" aloud to the class. After reading, ask students to summarize the plot in their own words and highlight the key characters.

15 min

Analysis Exercises

In small groups, have students analyze the characters' actions and motivations. Provide them with guiding questions to facilitate discussion, focusing on the themes of pride and stubbornness.

10 min

Application/Reflection

Bring the class back together and ask groups to share their insights. Then, prompt a discussion on how the moral of the story can be applied in their lives, using examples of conflict resolution.

5 min

Assessment Strategy

Have students write a brief reflection on what they learned from the story and how they can apply it moving forward. Collect these reflections for assessment.

STORY OVERVIEW

- **Title and moral/theme**: The Two Kings; Pride and Stubbornness Lead to Foolish Decisions
- **Plot summary**: The King of Madagao and the King of Bornegascar engage in a heated dispute over a minister, resulting in unreasonable demands and threats. In his haste to comply with an impossible request, the King of Madagao falls, illustrating the consequences of pride and stubbornness.
- **Key characters and their significance**:
  - **King of Madagao**: Represents pride and the consequences of foolish decisions.
  - **King of Bornegascar**: Embodies stubbornness and the escalation of conflict.

LESSON FUNDAMENTALS

- **Learning Objectives**:

- Students will identify the central moral of the story.
- Students will analyze the characters' motivations and actions.
- Students will discuss how pride can lead to negative outcomes.
- Students will connect the story to real-life situations involving conflict resolution.

- **Discussion Questions**:
  1. What could the King of Madagao have done differently to avoid the situation?
  2. How does pride affect the decisions we make in our own lives?
  3. Can you think of a time when stubbornness led to a negative outcome for you or someone you know?
- **Required Materials**:
  - Copies of the story "The Two Kings"
  - Whiteboard and markers
  - Paper and writing utensils for students

✓ Original text available on the story page.