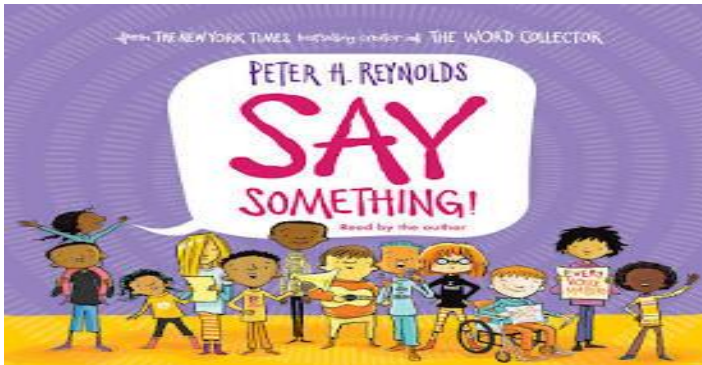


December's Book of the Month

Listen to the book:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d6M8MvThkm8>



Big Idea of the Text:

*The world **needs** your voice.
If you have a brilliant idea...say something!
If you see an injustice...say something!*

In this empowering book, author Peter H. Reynolds explores the many ways that a single voice can make a difference. Each of us, each and every day, have the chance to **say something**: with our actions, our words, and our voices. Perfect for kid activists everywhere, this timely story reminds readers of the undeniable importance and power of their voice. There are so many ways to tell the world who you are...what you are thinking...and what you believe. And how you'll make it better. The time is now: SAY SOMETHING!

Questions for Discussion or Reflective Writing:

SAY SOMETHING! SIGNS

One way that the characters say something is by making signs using art and words to inspire others to do the same.

- Invite students to create their own signs using a variety of materials. If students would benefit from a scaffold, revisit the beginning two-page spread with dozens of examples of powerful speech bubbles that students can use in their own signs, such as "follow your heart," "together is better," and "be brave."
- Have students hold up their signs and take photos for a display as a source of inspiration for others.

Activities for Say Something!

PSA FOR HOPE AND CHANGE

After reading *Say Something!* aloud, have students work in small groups to write a short script for a public service announcement they would like to share with the world.

- What is their message for others? What do they feel hopeful about? What would they like to see change in their classroom, in their school, or in the world?
- After students have written their scripts, support them to create an audio or video recording to share with the school community or with their families.
- Help students to work together throughout the process to ensure that all voices are heard. This process introduces critical ways that students can use multimedia to say something to the world.