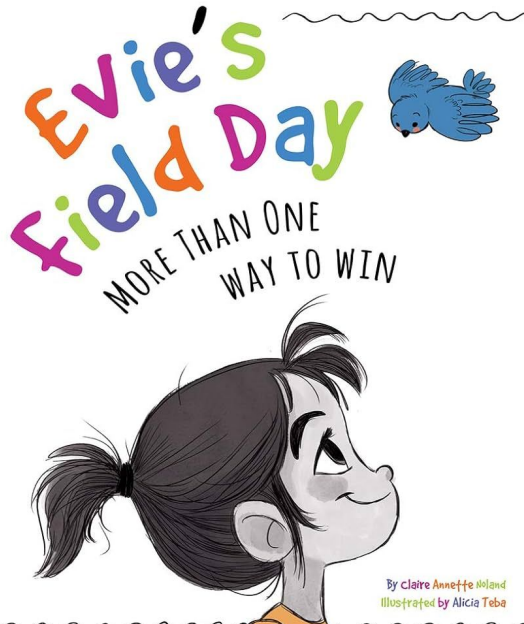


# Social Emotional Book Nook

## Using books to teach about SUCCESS



### **Evie's Field Day: More Than One Way to Win**

**By Claire Annette Noland**

**Illustrated by Alicia Teba**

*Evie's Field Day: More Than One Way to Win* is the story of a girl named Evie struggling with losing games on field day. She eventually discovers there are more important things than winning when she chooses to help a baby bird instead of winning a race.

## **Before Reading**

- Play a game where there's a winner (ex. musical chairs, like in the book)
  - How did winning make you feel?
  - How did not winning make you feel?
- If short on time, instead have children share about how winning and losing makes them feel and skip the game
- What do you think the book will be about?

## **While Reading Questions**

- Why does Evie want to win?
- Why might Evie be unhappy when she loses?
- Why are her classmates happy when she saves a bird, even though she didn't win the race?
- What's a time that you found something better than winning?

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### Post Reading Activities

- Comprehension questions:
  - What games does Evie not win? Which one did she have a chance of winning in? Why did she choose not to win? What did she learn?
- Does winning make you a better person?
  - No! Winning doesn't make you a better person, and losing doesn't make you a worse person
  - What are things that DO make you a good person?
- Brainstorm ways we can be kind to those around us, even during competition. Make a list and post it!
- Have children draw pictures of things that they think are better than winning (either collaboratively in a group or individually and then share with a partner)  
Turn this into a class collage to display.

### Extension Projects

- Kindness chain: have children write kind acts on strips of paper and connect them together to make a chain
- Have children work in groups to collaboratively try a project, such as giving them sticks and marshmallows to build a tower. Then, in a class discussion, have children reflect on why cooperation is important.