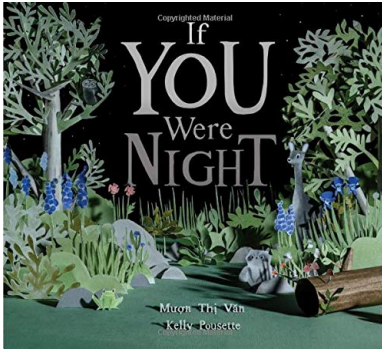




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If You Were Night
Kids Can Press



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Author



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Summary

"This dreamlike picture book asks the question: if you were night, what would you do? If you saw the moon tiptoe past your window, would you nestle under the covers? Or would you step outside to follow it? What if you felt a tail brush your ankle, would you freeze? Or skitter away? And if you saw an owl swoop from a branch, would you hide? Or join the hunt? All the while, the child pictured in the book chooses adventure, and thrillingly experiences a night like no other." (amazon.com)

Genre

Contemporary Realistic Fiction

Book Conversation

After reading the story aloud, you may use the following questions to prompt a book conversation with students.

- What are some ways we can describe what goes on at night using our 5 senses?
- What is this book teaching us about?
- What would you do if you were night?

Florida Statute 1003.42.2 requires that K-12 public school instructional staff teach specific character education, cultural, and historical topics. This book may assist teachers in partial fulfillment of that requirement.

http://www.leg.state.fl.us/statutes/index.cfm?App_mode=Display_Statute&URL=1000-1099/1003/Sections/1003.42.html



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Extension Activities

1. Before reading the book, have students get in groups to discuss and make a list of what they think happens during the nighttime.
2. After reading the book, have students draw a picture of what they think 'night' sees.
3. After reading the book, have students create a poem for what 'night' sees.
4. After reading the book, have students form groups to act out and create a scene of some of the things that happen at night.

Websites

Meet the Author- <http://www.muonthivan.com/>

About the Book: <https://www.kidscanpress.com/products/if-you-were-night>

Diversity and Multicultural Features

Author: Vietnamese, female

Illustrator: From British Columbia, female