



Interfaith Food Pantry

Serving Morris County

Stone Soup

Goals:

1. To develop and awareness of hunger.
2. To increase awareness among children about the prevalence and causes or hunger.
3. To foster and promote community values and empathy among children.

Materials:

- *Stone Soup* by Marcia Brown

Reading and Discussion:

1. Read aloud and discuss, *Stone Soup*.
2. Suggested Questions
 - a. What was the soldiers' problem at the beginning of the story?
 - b. Why did the people of the village hide their food?
 - c. Why were the townspeople unwilling, at first, to share their food with the soldiers?
 - d. What did the soldiers do to solve their problem?
 - e. Was it fair or unfair of the soldiers to trick the people into adding their vegetables?
 - f. What would the soup have tasted like without any vegetables?
 - g. What lesson does the story teach?
 - h. How can we apply what we've learned to our own town?
3. Following the discussion of the book, have the students discuss hunger and giving. Suggested discussions starters:
 - a. Have you ever been hungry? What did it feel like?
 - b. How does it feel when you are well fed?
 - c. Why are some people very hungry?
 - d. What kind of people do you think are hungry?

Activities:

1. Have students draw pictures of what it feels like to be hungry vs. well fed.
2. Use the *Stone Soup* Handouts to color and cut soup ingredients and glue them into the soup kettle.