Virtual Story Time

TARGET GRADES
Elementary School

OBJECTIVE
Students will learn about community engagement and leadership through listening to books about leaders who take actions to make an impact in their communities.

MATERIALS
Book Videos: 
- We Are Water Protectors by Carol Lindstrom
- Before She was Harriet by Lesa Cline-Ransome
- Game Changers: The Story of Venus and Serena Williams by Lesa Cline-Ransome
- A is For Activist by Innosanto Nagara
- Counting on Katherine: How Katherine Johnson Saved Apollo 13 by Helaine Becker

PREP TIME REQUIRED
Varies

PREP STEPS
Pick a book or books you’d like your students to listen to
Determine how you want students to discuss (writing activity or group discussion)

ACTIVITY TIME REQUIRED
30 minutes or longer activity of an hour

ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS
Choose one of the videos recommended in the MATERIALS section or you can utilize YouTube and search for books about people who have created a change in their community. Play the video and when finished, have the students discuss the following:

- What did they learn from the characters in the book?
- How was the character involved in their community?
- What is a lesson they can learn from the story, that they could apply to themselves when working with their own communities

If you’d like to expand, the students could think about an issue that is important to them and how they would create change in their community.

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