On a Bucket

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Alternative Self Portrait
Each student had their own bucket and a black sharpie. Colored sharpies were shared as a class.
1 Hour per week
6-8 Weeks span

Budget: $334.78

Materials for 100 students

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Total: $334.78
6 Prompts

1. Who are you? What’s your story?
2. Why are you in school?
   a. What does it mean to be educated compared to someone that is uneducated?
   b. Is education and common sense the same thing? Or different?
3. How does music move the soul and connect hearts?
4. What does ‘respect’ mean?
5. Who do you want to be?
6. How do we make everyone happy?
Objectives

1. The entire bucket must be filled (with minimum empty spaces)

2. All 6 prompts must be answered (visually or in written form)
   Graded with check +, check, or check -

3. All responses to the prompts must be on the bucket

4. Every bucket should look different
Prompt 1: Who are you? What’s your story?
“My mom and I have always been close. But we had to learn how to communicate again after my dad died. It took therapy. We’d stopped being honest with each other. My dad’s illness had been so stressful that we didn’t want to create any additional worries. So we tried to protect each other. Neither of us would admit if we were having a bad day. Or if we were feeling depressed. The answer to everything was always: ‘I’m fine.’ But we weren’t fine. And it was obvious. So we worried about each other all the time. It caused a lot of stress and arguments. We had to relearn how to admit when we were having a bad day. Because you can never truly know if someone’s ‘fine’ unless you trust them to tell you when something’s wrong.”

Humans of New York
Who are you? What’s your story?

I am a person. That has a father in jail. And a chuc at school but an adult at home. Since my mom has to work, I take care of my siblings. I am an unordinary person. But then I feel like I’m free at school to goof around. But at home, I don’t have a right to goof around cuz I have humans to look after.
I'm Munazza Shifa. I have 4 sisters including me, my sister, my mom, and dad, we are a family of 7 people. My name means a cure. I love my family. I wish I had a brother but it's ok. I love to learn. I want to become something good when I grow up and prove girls are just as good as boys. People ask me, you have no brothers? Why is this always a question that's asked like it's a bad thing?

Who are you? What's your story?

Kid that don't like to do homework.
Suli Breaks - I will not let exam results decide my fate

Prompt 2: Why are you in school?
Suli Breaks

“Education is about inspiring one’s mind not just filling their head.”

“It does a fool no good to spend money on an education, because he has no common sense.”
I am in school and it always seemed like something everyone had to go to. I've been in school since I was 4, so it always seemed like something regular.

If you are educated, society accepts that you will be a more successful person vs. someone who is uneducated. So you went to school.

Education and common sense are different. Common sense is something you learn on your own while education is facts others feed you.
Prompt 3: How does music move the soul and connect hearts?
How does music move the soul and connect hearts?

The words explain how someone feels about something and someone it could be about love, family, heart breaking or about life to express themselves.

How does music move the soul and connect hearts?

Music inspires and commands the mind and makes us feel what others do and gives us the ability to enhance the world.
How does music move the soul and connect hearts?

It makes people get to be there true selves and makes people connect.

How does music move the soul and connect hearts?

Music makes you feel full of life as if you are never alone. It gives you the strength to move on.
Prompt 4: What does ‘respect’ mean?
On my bucket I represented the definition of respect on the medial side of my bucket. I wrote/drew “Take Care” to show responsibility. You earn respect if you can actually take care of yourself. Make the right choices and knowing when or when not to do something.
Prompt 5: Who do you want to be?
Who do you want to be?

I want to be like myself. I want to be as good as him and I also want to be someone that could make a difference in the world.

Who do you want to be?

I want to be the person who is loved in the end
My name is Muhammed Khan AKA Michael Gandki. I was born on July the 2nd, 2001, in a recycling bin. No I am indian, but palestinian. Only the Grandpa on my mom side was the only grandpa who saw me. My other grandpa did not see me. I have a brother and a sister who both go to UIC. My mom is a tired housewife who used to be a nurse and a dad who’s used to be a engineer but is a taxi driver. We’re a middle-class driver. My brother is going to be an engineer and my sister a doctor. So I don’t know what I am going to be, it’s as if it’s a family thing. But if I do my best today and die, then my soul will be happy as can be.
A pep talk from kid president to you

Prompt 6: How do we make everyone happy?
How do we make everyone happy?

We make everyone happy by being the best of ourselves.
How do we make everyone happy?

By not judging, but everyone judges
so I guess the word "happy"
does not exist no more.
Equal attitude toward others without the need to describe their faults as a person.
How do we make everyone happy?

The way I make people happy is being myself because I’m so awesome.
Constituents:
1. Later on in the year
2. Classroom is safe
3. Familiar and confident with reflecting
I am a teenager who was to go to my mom, my sister, my brother, and my aunt. I must tell you my mom and sister are going to be proud of me. It’s a different because an educated person can help other people. I don’t have a feeling idea because I wasn’t graduated yet.
Education

I am in school so I can get a good job. To be educated is to be taught in something while being uneducated is not to be taught something.

I think common sense and education are the same since in order to get more common sense, you need to learn something.

Showing love brings happiness since it makes you feel good inside.

Music

I like jazz music and I like to listen to it on my headphones.

Common Sense

I think common sense is something you have to learn and it's not something that you can just write down.

RESPECT

1. Be respectful to others.

Connect

I connect with my friends on social media and we usually talk about our day.

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Confront

I confront my problems head-on and I try to solve them.
THANK YOU