

Extended Playlist
“NO! You Can’t Take Me!”
Grades K-2

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1. Each group chooses a book.
2. Each person in the group becomes a character or an object IMPORTANT to the story.
3. The instructor (or student leader) comes around with a giant eraser (imaginary, or made out of classroom materials) and threatens to erase each character/object.
4. Depending on the level of students, have them explain either their importance in general OR their importance to the story, specifically.
 - a. For example – The story is the three little pigs and a student is the soup pot, that student could explain why they are an important object in general (i.e. what else would you make soup in, OR why they matter in the story. For example, the wolf wouldn’t get burned and be scared away or cooked, [depending on your story version] without me).
5. Make sure your students say “But if you erase me, then.....” before giving their reasoning for needing to stay.

This lesson can be adapted to other curricula as well, not just literature. You could use it to help reinforce the most important portions of lessons in science, social studies, and math too! Have fun with it!