

## SEL Book Bag

**Title:** One Green Apple

**Author:** Eve Bunting

**Grade Levels:** 4/5

**SEL Competency:** Social Awareness

**SEL Student SWBAT:** Students should see similarities and differences in each person.

[book summary]

Farah feels alone, even when surrounded by her classmates. She listens and nods but doesn't speak. It's hard being the new kid in school, especially when you're from another country and you don't know the language. Then, on a field trip to an apple orchard, Farah discovers there are lots of things that sound the same as they did at home, from dogs crunching their food to the ripple of friendly laughter.

**SEL Focus:** Farah feels uncomfortable and strange, but is realizing people are the same in many ways no matter where they're from.

### Activity Materials:

- 4"x4" fabric squares (1 per student)
- Sharpie markers-a variety of colors if possible
- sewing needles & thread
- OR
- glue sticks
- foam sheets for backing of squares

### Directions:

1. Read through One Green Apple.
2. Discuss in partners: What similarities and differences did you notice in the story?
3. Students will be creating their own quilt square with permanent markers. They will draw something on their square that is unique and special about themselves.
4. Depending on which method you prefer (sewing or gluing), you will put all of the squares together and post them on a wall.
5. Discuss similarities and differences of each other as a class.

