



## **Spring Fever!**

As spring arrives, many teachers write to us for help with their classes. The beginning of spring fever can create many challenges within a classroom and students need a reminder on how to be bucket fillers. Here's a fun activity to create a more bucketfilling classroom:

First, read the book *Have You Filled a Bucket Today?* to your class.

Second, have students create their own buckets.

Supplies you'll need:

- 1) Paper or plastic cups
- 2) Pipe cleaners
- 3) Single hole punch
- 4) Markers and/or stickers (preferably hearts and stars)
- 5) Bucketfiling Notes (You can find them on our website to download for free, either in full-color or black & white.)

## To make buckets:

- 1) Have students write their names on their cups.
- 2) Punch holes on opposite sides of the cup top.
- 3) Bend the pipe cleaner in a U-shape and put ends through the top holes. Bend the ends around the top of the cup to form a handle.
- 4) Draw a face on the cup.
- 5) Either draw hearts and stars on their cup or put heart and star stickers all over the cup.



Third, give each student a few of the bucketfilling notes. Have them keep an eye out for people filling buckets. When they see someone filling buckets, have them fill out a bucketfilling note and put it in that person's bucket. At the end of each day or week (depending how many notes the class has), read them aloud in the class.

You can always create a large classroom bucket instead of individual buckets. You can reward your students for being such great bucket fillers by giving them extra recess time, a certificate (you can find one on our website to download for free), or some other small bucketfilling award. (We have great stickers, bookmarks and other awesome bucketfilling items on our website.) We hope this helps you and your class have a more bucketfilling spring!