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“We are One: Remembering Sept. 11th”

Grades 3-8

Objective: The student will illustrate and define one line of Cheryl Sawyer’s poem, “One”.

Materials:

- A copy of the poem, “One”, for each student
 - http://www.alhewar.org/SEPTEMBER%2011/one_a_poem_by_cheryl_sawyer.htm
- pencils
- drawing paper
- crayons/colored pencils

Procedure:

1. Ask students what they remember about September 11th, 2001.
2. List student responses on board, if desired.
3. Briefly discuss events that took place and the impact Sept. 11th had on Americans.
4. Pass out a copy of the poem, “One” by Cheryl Sawyer to each student. Read and discuss poem together.
5. Have students choose one line of the poem that they most identify with.
6. Students should illustrate the line they chose on a piece of drawing or construction paper.
7. Illustrations should be neat and colored.
8. On the same page, have students reflect on the line they chose by describing what it means to them.
9. Students should title their pages, “We are One.”

Assessment:

Evaluate student illustrations and responses to the line they choose from the poem.

