



# Thinksheet

Rising 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

**Eyes that Kiss in the Corners** By Joanna Ho

## Classroom Activities

### [K-5 Printable Classroom Resources](#)

Hear the author read aloud: [Joanna Ho reads Eyes That Kiss in the Corners](#)

### Book Discussion and Extension Ideas and Links:

- **Visualize & Describe Adjectives in Text:** This book is full of rich descriptive adjectives. Talk with students about what they visualize listening to the words. Take a page from the author's book: as a class, think of adjectives to describe things that make classmates unique.
- **Writing Prompt:** Have each student write about himself/herself using adjectives to describe color, shape, and size. What else can a student write about to describe themselves beyond physical characteristics? **What makes the student unique?**
- **Compare & Contrast Text to Classroom Community:** Discuss similarities and differences within students' families and what makes them unique beyond physical characteristics. This is also an opportunity to work on your students' self-esteem.
- **Author's Message:** What is the author trying to teach the reader?  
[Author Interview: Learn More About Joanna Ho and Her Inspiration](#)
- **Foundational Skills:** Choose words from the book.
  1. Have your students break words into individual sounds. How many sounds are there? How is each sound spelled? Ex. corners – 5 sounds; c or n er s
  2. Break down words from the book into individual sounds and have your child blend it together. Ex. /r/ /ee/ /ch/ - reach
- **Compare & Contrast this book with Hair Love,** by Matthew A. Cherry, about a father helping his daughter do her hair. Don't have the book? It is also a short film located here:  
[Hair Love | Oscar®-Winning Short Film \(Full\) | Sony Pictures Animation](#)
- If you liked this text and are looking for additional reading inspiration:  
[Books Similar to Eyes That Kiss in the Corners: Other Reads about Self Esteem and Culture](#)



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