

10 TOP PICKS FOR 2016

ANIMATED VIDEOS FOR

SOCIAL LEARNING

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These are in no particular order – and remember, many of these are fabulous material to work on narrative. Enjoy!

Cat's Meow – A short film by Jorge “Jay” Garcia – Ringling College of Art and Design

Lots of action in a short amount of time! A man wants his hat so he can go out, but his cat has another idea. Terrific for perspective taking (who knows/sees what), thought and feeling bubbles. Young children really enjoy this one! Great for early narrative!

CGI 3D Animated Short HD: “Embarked” – by Mikel Mugica, Adele Hawking and Soo Kyung Kang

A very sweet story about a treehouse and a boy separated when the family moves. Will they reunite? Watch and find out. A nice story for re-tell.

CGI Animated Short Films HD: “Verstaubt” by Steffen Kuderer, Mar 28, 2014.

The little vacuum that could – well, until there's a problem. Great material to jumpstart a discussion about mistakes, our reactions to them, and problem solving.

CGIAward-Winning** 3D Animated Short HD: “Soar” – by Alyce Tzue, Dec 18, 2015.**

Terrific story with marvelous illustrations. Love when she takes a pic with her iPhone. Themes of separation, discouragement and perseverance. Don't miss this one! Great for students ready for a more complicated narrative to tell.

CGI 3D Animated Short HD: "Monsterbox" by - Team Monster Box

A little longer than many of my recommendations but well worth it! A young girl wants to buy houses for her many monster friends from a kindly (and relatively patient) older gentleman. Good material for feelings, but also perspective taking and narrative. A winner!

CGI Animated Shorts: "Runaway" by Susan Yung, Emily Buchanan and Esther Parobek

This poor refrigerator feels he is going to be replaced, so off he goes! But wait, was he wrong? Does his owner still care? Great material for feelings and discussing those times when we mis-interpret the intentions of others.

Growth Mindset for students - Episode 1/5 - ClassDoJo

I recently came across this series. It's cute, and I like pausing so students can place those feeling and thought bubbles on the monitor.

Sesame Street - Ernie which lost Rubber Duckie

I love using this with younger children to work on perspective taking and opinions. What is lovely to Oscar may not be what Ernie had in mind...

CGI Animated Short Film HD: "Last Shot Short Film" by Aemilia Widodo

I like the quick shift from happy to unhappy feelings in this video. Themes of disappointment, perseverance and change-that-can-be-good. Lots packed into just a bit over 2 minutes!

CGI 3D Animated Short HD: "Selfie Cat" - by ArtFX

A good view for those students into social media. I use it to jump start conversations about social standing, competition with peers for popularity, etc.

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