Title: How Do Dinosaurs Get Well Soon?

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Reading level: Second grade  
Genre: Fantasy

Synopsis of Story: Have you ever said Atchoo? Well, this story is about what a dinosaur does if he catches the flu. Lots of questions are raised about stubborn things dinosaurs may do if they are sick. However, all of the assumptions are false and the dinosaurs are very cooperative. We could all learn something from these dinosaurs about how to act, when we are sick.

Theme: Health

Activity One:
Source: Original
Objective: The students will write a Get Well Soon card to their favorite dinosaur in How Do Dinosaurs Get Well Soon?
Description of activity: The students will select a dinosaur from the book. The students will make this dinosaur a Get Well Soon card. The students will decorate the cards. The students will include at least three lines in their card.

Activity Two:
Objective: After reading the book, the students will brainstorm ways that they can get better when they are sick.
Description of activity: The class will compile these ideas into a book entitled, “How Do Kids Get Well Soon?” The students can brainstorm ways that they can get better when they are sick, such as drinking lots of orange juice, taking medicine, and resting. On large chart paper, the teacher will write down the students’ ideas as a first draft. Then the teacher will read the draft aloud, encouraging the students to make changes to the language and content. The students will provide suggestions to make the book sound better. The teacher will rewrite the edited story onto large chart paper, leaving room for illustrations. Depending upon the size of the class, one or two children can illustrate each page. The class will then have a self-authored book on personal health!