

“Magic Pencils and Pens”

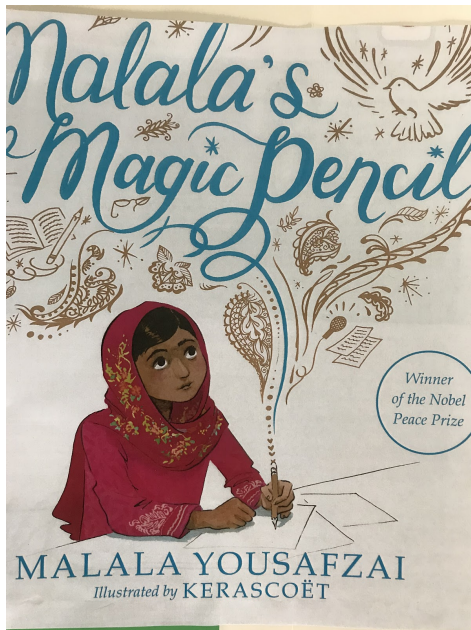
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grades KG-4

time frame: *40 minutes*

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

We all love something great to draw or write with. You know when you really feel a great pen, it makes you want to write more. I have the perfect magic pencil project for your students. This will be a pencil or pen that is one of a kind. Created by them and as unique as they are.



Malala's Magic Pencil

Author: Malala Yousafzai

Illustrator: Kerascoet

Malala's first picture book will inspire young readers everywhere to find the magic all around them.

As a child in Pakistan, Malala made a wish for a magic pencil. She would use it to make everyone happy, to erase the smell of garbage from her city, to sleep an extra hour in the morning. But as she grew older, Malala saw that there were more important things to wish for. She saw a world that needed fixing. And even if she never found a magic pencil, Malala realized that she could still work hard every day to make her wishes come true.

This beautifully illustrated volume tells Malala's story for a younger audience and shows them the worldview that allowed Malala to hold on to hope even in the most difficult of times. (Amazon)

ART ACTIVITIES / PROJECTS

Make your own “magic pencil”. It is easy! With polymer clay (Fimo or Sculpey), knead the clay until soft. Wrap the material around the pencil or pen with the colors of your choice, heat on a baking sheet at 250 degrees for 10 minutes, and voila! - a unique, one of a kind writing instrument. Your students will not want to stop writing or drawing. It’s magic!

