



Classroom Ideas (Newsletter 1)

Talking and Listening

Insects are very small but this doesn't make them weak members of our environment. Make a table listing insects and their strengths and weaknesses.

Reading

Read the story of *Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes* by Eleanor Coerr. Children can make a difference and change the way people think. Discuss how Sadako has had an impact on the world.

Writing

Listen to a recording of a shakuhachi flute. Close your eyes and imagine. Write an acrostic poem for FLUTE.

Art

Make an origami crane. Instructions and a step by step animation can be found at <http://www.origami-club.com/en/traditional/crane/index.htm>

Using the information about Miyamoto Musashi, students can create a trading card showing his strengths or 'special powers'. Each monthly newsletter will highlight a different samurai warrior.

