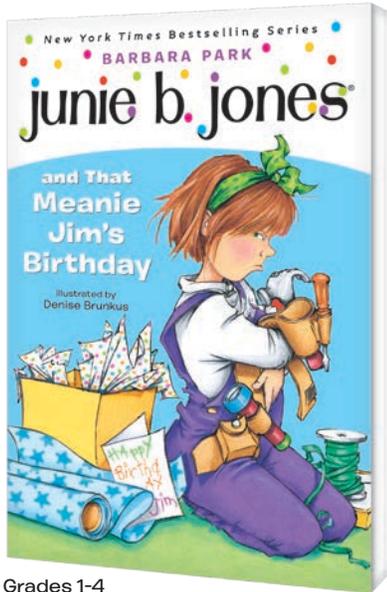


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and That Meanie Jim's Birthday



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That meanie Jim has invited everyone in Room Nine to his birthday party on Saturday- except Junie B.! Should she have her own birthday party six months early and not invite Jim? Or should she move to It's a Small World After All in Disneyland?

In this guide, a language arts lesson is used to discuss the proper way to deal with and express anger.

Mad as a Wet Hen

When Junie B. isn't invited to that Jim's birthday party, she expresses her anger by making up a story about a mean boy who gets stomped into a pancake and eaten by children. Ask your students to share situations in their own lives that made them feel angry. Have them discuss acceptable ways we deal with anger in the real world. Then, have students write a journal entry about the acceptable ways to deal with anger or frustration in their own lives.

Pre-Reading Activities

In *Junie B. Jones and That Meanie Jim's Birthday*, Junie B. is very upset when Jim doesn't invite her to his birthday party and decides she wants to move her birthday to the same day, so she can have a party. Her mother explains that birthdays don't work that way. Design a calendar or use an existing one to show all of your students' birthdays and display it in the classroom.

