



david@davidgonzalez.com 917-971-2370
19 Bruceville Road, High Falls, NY 12440

MADDOG AND ME:
Bullying and the Power of Kindness
Study Guide - Draft

MadDog and Me was written to address the crisis of cruelty that our young people face everyday. In this engaging performance, Dr. David Gonzalez mixes teaching stories with a true story from his own life in a tough neighborhood. The show employs humor and drama to get to the key elements in the bully-bystander-victim continuum.

Show Content:

MadDog and Me is a true story of David being bullied in elementary school that is broken into several sections.

- **MadDog and Me - Part I - Introduction**
- **Raven and the Birds** - a middle eastern story about cooperation.
- **MadDog and Me - Part II**
- **Basketball Bounce** - a true story where David made a choice and had to pay the consequences.
- **MadDog and Me - Part III**
- **Heaven and "Heck"** - a fable about the simple, but important difference that helping can make.
- **MadDog and Me - Part IV**
- **The Empty Boat** - a Japanese story about what happens when feelings get out of control.
- **MadDog and Me - Part V - Conclusion**

Question and answer period with audience.

Questions to think about before seeing the performance:

1. Do you think bullying is a problem in the school?
2. Have you ever been bullied, seen bullying, or been a bully?
3. What makes someone bully another person?
4. How does it feel to be bullied?
5. What can you do if you see bullying?
6. Can you tell an example of bullying that you've seen in tv or the movies?
7. How do you think Dr. Gonzalez will teach about bullying and the power of kindness?

Questions for after the performance:

1. How did Dr. Gonzalez make his stories come alive?
2. How did he use his voice?
3. How did he use his body?
4. Which of the stories did you like best and why?
5. What do you think happened to MadDog later in life?
6. What did you learn from this show?
7. If you were to write Dr. Gonzalez a note, what would you say?