

Spotlight Guide 2019 - 2020



Miss Nelson is Missing!

BOOK, MUSIC, AND LYRICS BY JOAN CUSHING

Based on the book *Miss Nelson is Missing* and *Miss Nelson is Back* by Harry Allard. Illustrated by James Marshall.

Miss Nelson concludes that something must be done about her crazy class. The students meet Miss Viola Swamp, a very terrifying substitute teacher. The students go in search of their teacher but to no avail. They head to the Police Station to get some official assistance in their search. They write a letter to Miss Nelson, begging her to return and promising to be better behaved. At school the next day, the students have proven they have changed, when in walks Miss Nelson! Later that evening, Miss Nelson is at home and singing to herself about a little secret she has been carrying!

Activities

Story Comparison

Compare the original book with the play. How are they similar? How are they different?

Discussion Questions

What was Miss Nelson struggling with? How did she handle that struggle?

Design Your Classroom!

Help Miss Nelson design her classroom to help her students learn and not misbehave.

Friendly Letter Writing

We love to hear from you at Orlando Shakes! So write us a letter to let us know what you thought!

See the full study guide for expanded activities.

Florida Standards

LAFS.4.RL.1: Key Ideas and Details
LAFS.4.RL.3: Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
LAFS.4.RI.1: Key Ideas and Details
LAFS.4.W.1: Text Types and Purposes
VA.4.S.1: The arts are inherently experiential
TH.4.S.1: The arts are inherently experiential
TH.4.F.2: Careers in and related to the arts



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Content appropriate for all audiences.

Children two years of age and younger may sit on laps. Older children must have a ticket.