

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT WORKSHEET
FELIX OR FLAT STANLEY PROJECT

Program Category:	Partnering with Elementary Schools/Classes
Region Specific?	No
Date Developed:	
Title:	Felix or Flat Stanley
Description:	<p>Partner with elementary school or class by writing letters.</p> <p>Curriculum Connections:</p> <p>Letter Writing, Art, Language Arts, Spelling, Social Studies, Geography and Diversity. Letters from various locations can discuss customs, holidays, weather, people groups, language, etc. while the students write like letters in return. They will map the locations. Felix runs off from the airport to tour the world.</p> <p>Flat Stanley is so flat, he can be mailed in an envelope or carried in a suitcase.</p>
Suggested Speaker(s):	
Resources:	<p><i>Flat Stanley</i> by Jeff Brown www.flatstanleyproject.com</p> <p><i>Letters from Felix: A Little Rabbit on a World Tour</i>, amazon.com www.thesavvytraveller.com/family_travel/kids/for_kids/insights/stories/felix/1home.htm</p>
Prepared by:	Karen Rowe
For Further Information Contact:	Karen Rowe 717-767-6654

(Copy of parent letter from elementary school)

**WALLACE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
2065 HIGH STREET
YORK PA 17404**

February 2005

Dear Parents/Guardians

We just finished a story called *Letters from Felix*, which is about a rabbit who gets lost in an airport! Much to his owner's dismay, he decided to travel around the world a bit before returning home. Every couple of days, he sends a letter to his owner from the various places he has visited! The children could hardly wait to see what Felix would end up next!

Well, all the first graders at Wallace are going to be getting their very own Felix. Our ultimate goal is to see how far we can get him to go, receive postcards from his travels, and come back to Wallace in time for his birthday on April 27, 2005. Each child will get a rabbit; on the rabbit will be a message explaining the project that we are doing, along with our school address. As a parent, you might want to put the bunny in a safe place and notify relatives or friends of this special project. It is up to your discretion how you handle this situation. We realize some of the rabbits may not return and we have discussed this with the children as well. We will be placing a display in the school lobby with our postcards so that we may share our excitement with the whole school!

We hope you will enjoy sharing this exciting event with your child!! Thank You!



Sincerely,

Mrs. Andrus

Mrs. Goodyear

Mrs. Gilson

Mrs. Kohler

Mrs. Martineau

Mrs. Mulroy

Flat Stanley **By Jeff Brown**

Stanley is squashed flat by a falling bulletin board. One of the many advantages is that Flat Stanley can now visit his friends by traveling in an envelope. This premise provides a reason for us to keep in touch with each other. The Flat Stanley Project is a group of teachers who want to provide students with another reason to write. Students' written work goes to other places by conventional mail and e-mail. Check out the Flat Stanley List of Participants to see what you can send a Flat Stanley to or who might be sending a Flat Stanley to you.

Students make paper Flat Stanleys and begin a journal with him for a few days. Then Flat Stanley and the journal are sent to another school where students there treat Flat Stanley as a guest and complete the journal. Flat Stanley and the journal are then returned to the original sender. Students can plot his travels on maps and share the contents of the journals. Often, a Flat Stanley returns with a pin or postcard from his visit. Some teachers prefer to use e-mail only, and this is noted in the List of Participants.

Flat Stanley at Veterinarian Clinics

Cub Scouts

Red Hat Society

Girl Guide

Leatherback Sea Turtle Program in Costa Rica

Geocaching

Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Greater Cleveland

Senior Participants

Flat Stanley in Hospitals



Letters from Felix: A Little Rabbit on a World Tour **By Annette Langen and Constanza Droop**

When Sophie loses Felix at the airport, she is devastated. However, it isn't long before Felix starts sending Sophie letters from all around the world. Before returning home, Felix writes from England, France, Italy, Egypt, Kenya/Africa, and New York City. The book features actual letters in envelopes.

Felix rabbits are sent home with children. Parents are asked to get Felix moving along and it is up to their discretion how to do it. Postcards are sent back to the teachers and posted in the hall.