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Bucketfilling Valentine

The fifth-grade teachers at Foothills Elementary in Riverton, UT are changing the way their classes do Valentine's Day celebrations. Instead of store-bought cards or candy, they're filling each other's buckets with compliments. This is a great idea that we wanted to share with you!

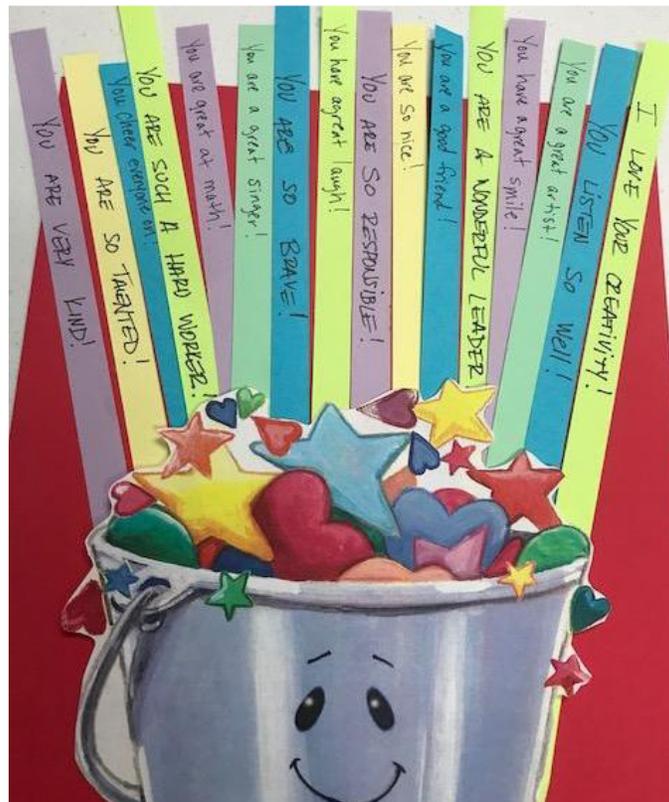
On past Valentine's Days, the Foothills teachers found that some of their students started going overboard with extravagant gifts for each other, trying to 'one-up' other students. For example, a student purchased something for a 'crush', but their 'crush' didn't give them anything in return. They were devastated. There ended up being more bucket dipping going on than bucket filling from their simple Valentine's Day celebration. The Foothills teachers started a compliment Valentine to fill buckets, instead of having cards or candy.

Here are the supplies you need:

- 1) Our [I AM A BUCKET FILLER Coloring Page](#)
- 2) Crayons, colored pencils, or markers
- 3) Scissors
- 4) Glue or glue sticks
- 5) Several sheets of assorted colored paper

Here are the steps:

- 1) Print, color and cut out the bucket from our [I AM A BUCKET FILLER Coloring Page](#).
- 2) Cut 1/2" strips from the assorted colored paper.
- 3) Give an assortment of colored strips to each student in the class. Have them write a compliment on each so there's one compliment strip for each of their classmates.
- 4) Hand out the written compliment strips to each of the students.
- 5) Have each student cut out their colored bucket. Glue the bucket at the bottom of a blank sheet of paper. Glue each of their compliment strips at the top of the bucket in a starburst pattern.



Now each student will have their own bucket filled with lots of bucketfilling compliments from each of their classmates. The Foothills teachers have taken this idea even further by having class meetings each day to give students the opportunity to fill other classmates' buckets. At the meeting, students are given the opportunity to give verbal compliments to their classmates. Since they've started this, their students have become more supportive of each other throughout each day and go out of their way to fill each others' buckets!