



Make a Freedom Box

After reading *Henry's Freedom Box* to celebrate Black History Month, have students make their own "freedom box."

1. To begin, have each student draw a picture of what freedom looks like to them.
2. As a group, have students make a replica of Henry's "box" out of a large cardboard box and wood-grain contact paper (or they can paint).
3. Ask students to think of several things that they are allowed to do that Henry was not. These items or activities are placed in the box for safekeeping.
4. Let each student relive Henry's experience by getting into the box one at a time and imagining that he or she is on a journey to freedom.
5. Later, you can tape or paste the freedom drawings to the outside of the box for a display.