## **Rip Up the Recipe**

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PRESENT your own version of *Rip Up the Recipe* as a dramatic poem or interactive song. In the movie Lyle, Lyle, Crocodile, actors Constance Wu and Shawn Mendes sing this song as they playfully explore new recipe ingredients, embrace a change in plans, and erase the family calendar. Decide who will join your small group and what roles each person will play in the presentation. Determine if your group will read the lyrics out loud with dramatic expression or sing the song in unison. Will you stick to the original lyrics or modify them? What props can your team make with art supplies or common household objects?





When you're cookin' somethin' up And only tryin' the tried and true You stick to the predictable you've known Measure out the same amounts Every teaspoon, every ounce No surprises when the rules are set in stone But when the sugar hits the fan You make a mess of your perfect plan And you're facin' the face of somethin' strange and new If it's not what you had prepared In the scramble, you can't get scared Oh, let somethin' wild and wonderful break through Start rippin' up the recipe Let go of how it has to be You forget about right and wrong When you lose yourself in the song It's perfect unexpectedly When you rip up the recipe

Chorus: Doot-doo-doo Doot-doot-doo-doo-doo-doo Doot-doo-doo-doo Doot-doot-doo-doo-doo-doo Doot-doo-doo-doo Doot-doot-doo-doo-doo-doo Doot-doo-doo-doo Doot-doot-doo-doo-doo-doo

Livin' life inside the lines safe and simple, by the book You keep sweepin' the uncertainty aside But an unfamiliar spice might bring somethin' extra nice Somethin' twice as good as what you woulda tried 'Cause when the sugar hits the fan You make a mess of your perfect plan And you're facin' the face of somethin' strange and new Somethin's ready to wreck your day You can pray that it goes away Or let somethin' wild and wonderful break through

Start rippin' up the recipe Let go of how it has to be No, you can't plan it in advance Gotta lose yourself in the dance It's perfect unexpectedly When you rip up the recipe

Repeat the chorus

Start rippin' up the recipe And make a little mess with me You forget about right and wrong When you lose yourself in the song It's perfect unexpectedly When you rip up the recipe

Repeat the chorus

When you rip up the recipe

-Songwriters Benji Pasek, Emily Gardner Xu Hall, Justin Paul, and Mark Sonnenblick



RESPOND to each small group's presentation. Compare the presentations for similarities, differences, and adjustments.

Reflect on the collaborative process of working as a small group. Did you notice how a team of four songwriters collaborated to create the song? Discuss why collaboration can increase creativity

and improve results. Sometimes collaboration is challenging. What are some positive ways that team members can respond to each other's ideas to make sure everyone feels heard even if some suggestions were not implemented?



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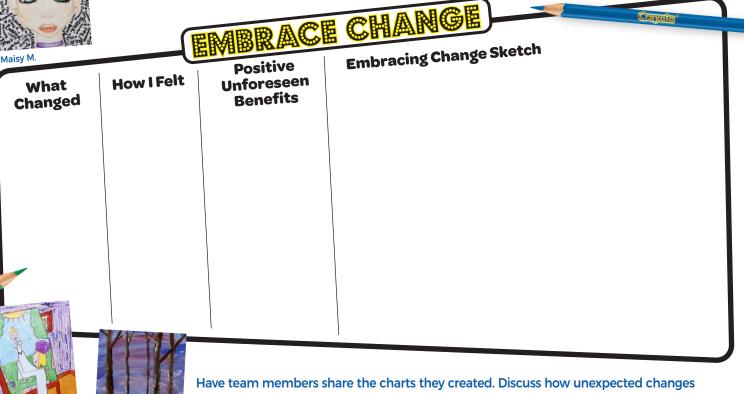
CONNECT the song's message to your life experiences. Think of times when changes in schedules, plans, or rules occurred. Just as a recipe change can result in something better than what was planned, changes in everyday life can result in great outcomes. Have a group discussion about why it is important to be flexible and embrace change. How can keeping an open mind help people adapt to new situations and discover new opportunities? Consider changes that you have experienced. Perhaps you have moved to a different house or school. Think about when you made a mistake or had to start a project over again. Embracing change is an opportunity to be kind to yourself. How would you convince yourself that what feels like a failure is really okay and is part of learning?



CREATE an *Embrace Change* chart where you illustrate and write about changes that have occurred in your life. How did these changes feel at first? How could the changes be seen as providing positive, unforeseen benefits? Illustrate yourself embracing a change!







allow you to see the world in new ways and help you explore new places and plans.

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Note for teachers and parents:

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