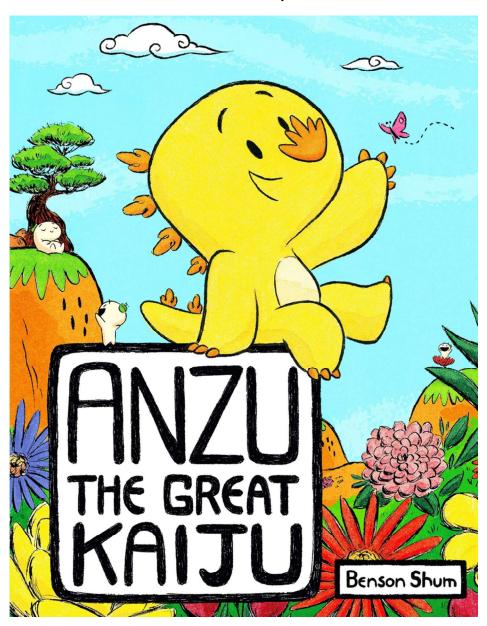
Anzu the Great Kaiju

A teacher's guide created by Marcie Colleen based upon the picture book written and illustrated by Benson Shum



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Benson Shum, Author-Illustrator

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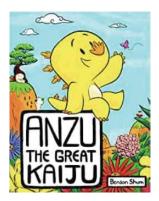
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How to Use This Guide

This classroom guide for *Anzu the Great Kaiju* is designed for students in kindergarten through second grade. It is assumed that teachers will adapt each activity to fit the needs and abilities of their own students.

It offers activities to help teachers integrate Anzu the Great Kaiju into their curricula.

All activities were created in conjunction with relevant content standards in English Language Arts.



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An adorable picture book about a tiny monster with a big heart trying to follow in his family's footsteps.

All great Kaiju are born with a super power to strike fear in the heart of the city. But Anzu is different.

Instead of mayhem, he likes May flowers.

Instead of striking fear, he prefers to be sincere.

Can Anzu find a way to make his family proud and stay true to his kind self?

Praise for Anzu the Great Kaiju

"[E]ngaging and heartwarming. . . A tongue-in-cheek bildungsroman spun around celebrating differences and the underrated superpowers of gentleness and sweetness. —*Kirkus*

"Shum's experience as an animator. . . is evident in the way he storyboards the narrative, pulls readers along with cinematic energy, and celebrates Japanese aesthetics—with everything from bonsai trees to golden picture frames to tiny creatures that look like adorable walking dumplings. [A] wholly original tale, which proves humorous, heartfelt, and as sweet as the flowers Anzu conjures." —*Booklist*

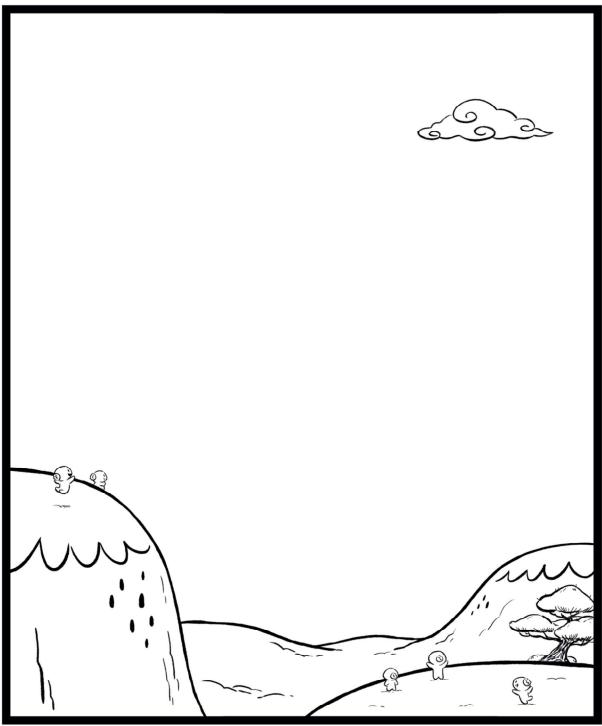


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Like Anzu, a kaiju is a giant creature with extraordinary powers. Praw your own kaiju!

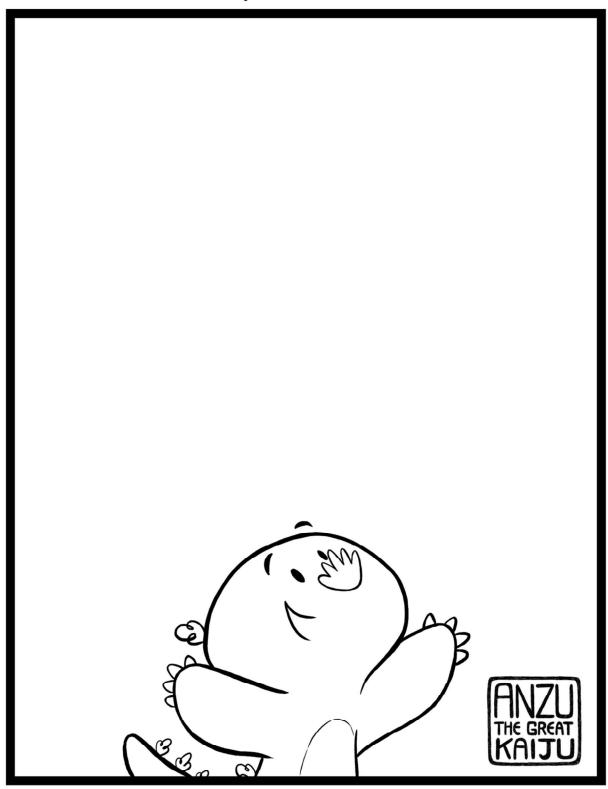




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Anzu	Beauty	Bloom
Alizu	Deauty	Diooni
Family	City	Extraordinary
Gentle	Flower	Great
Heart	Good	Boom
Grow	Happy	Kaiju
Helpful	Wilt	Proud
Love	Plants	Shwack
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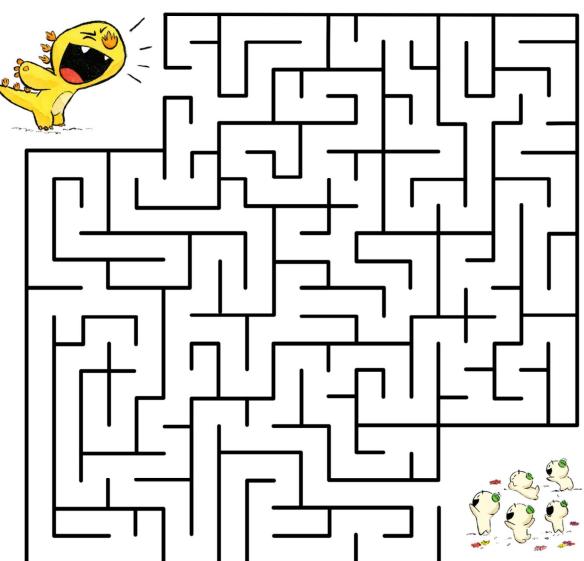
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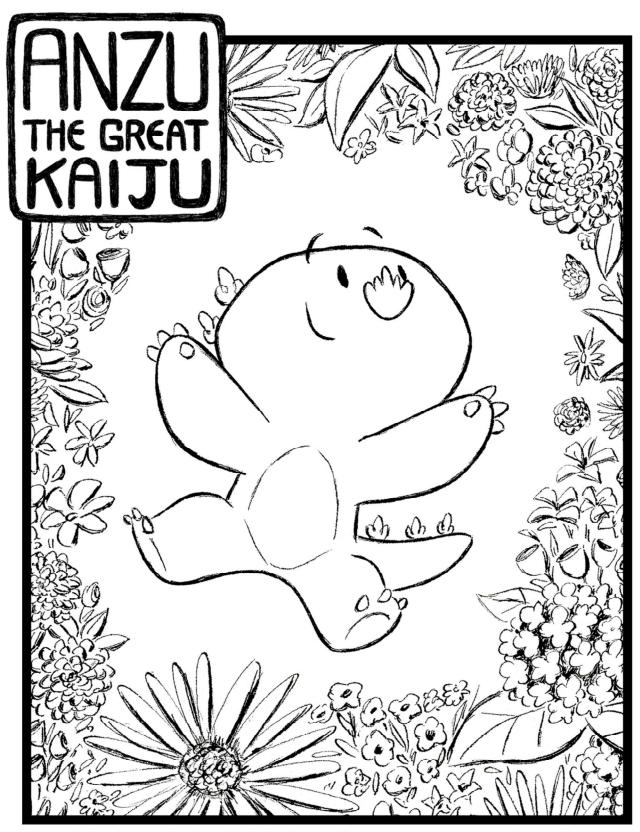


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