

HOMETOWN HEROES WORKSHEET

Ezequiel Gonzalez | Part I

What do you remember about Ezequiel's childhood?

**Were there people in this story who could have helped him? Why didn't they?
What might have happened if they did?**

What did he mean when he said he became a silent person?

When did Ezequiel decide to turn to a gang, and why?

**What were you thinking about while you watched 13 seconds go by on the screen?
Is 13 seconds a long or short time?**

How old was Ezequiel when he was arrested and sent to prison?

Complete this sentence: Ezequiel's life would have been different if _____.

How do you think you would have acted toward Ezequiel if you were one of his classmates?

How did this part of Ezequiel's story make you feel? (circle all that apply)

Nervous

Scared

Curious

Sad

Angry

Worried

Excited

Determined

Helpless

Amazed

(write your own feeling)

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Ezequiel Gonzalez | Part II

When Ezequiel was in 4th grade, what did one of his teachers tell him? Why?

Ezequiel shared that he thinks his life would have been different if there was someone who believed in him. Why is that so important?

What new interest did Ezequiel find in prison that started him down a different path?

What is the name of the first painting technique Ezequiel learned?

Ezequiel took and taught art classes in prison. Why was teaching so important to him?

Do you have a special interest or talent?

Is there something you wish you could learn or do?

What does it take to become good at something?

How did this part of Ezequiel's story make you feel? (circle all that apply)

Happy

Scared

Curious

Sad

Hopeful

Worried

Excited

Determined

Inspired

Amazed

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What does Ezequiel like about doing theater?

How did it make Ezequiel feel when he was sad on stage and had tears rolling down his face in front of an audience? How do you think it would make you feel?

In today's video Ezequiel mentions a man named Stan. Do you remember who he was from the last video? Why is it important to Ezequiel that he honor Stan?

What does Ezequiel do now to help his community?

What other big new challenges is Ezequiel taking on?

Why does Ezequiel say he has nothing to lose?

What part of Ezequiel's story did you like the most?

If you could go back in time and say something to Ezequiel when he was a child, what would you tell him? Do you have anything you'd want to tell him now?

How did this part of Ezequiel's story make you feel? (circle all that apply)

Happy

Scared

Curious

Sad

Hopeful

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