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This Small Blue Dot

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Themes:
Earth, Environment,
Hope, Connection,
Childhood, Friendship,
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Activity Age:
Lower and Middle
Primary

Make your own colourful dot to share a small wonder or big idea

What you need:

- White paper - good quality
- Cup or circular shape to trace around
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Crayons or pastels
- Dye or water colour paint
- Glue stick
- Hole punch
- String

Small dots for small wonders and big ideas:

1. **Trace around the top of a cup** to form 2 circles on good quality paper.
2. On one circle, use crayons or pastels to **decorate your dot**. You might like to use your favourite colours, patterns, or draw a picture. Leave some white space for the dye.
3. Use a paint brush to **cover your dot with the dye or water colour paint**. Wait for it to dry.

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4. On the second dot, **write a small wonder or big idea** that you'd like to share with someone, just like the girl in the story did. It might be about something that amazes and excites you, a tip on caring for the environment, or an important lesson that has been passed down to you from a family member...
5. You might like to use the following **sentence starters**:
 - The best part of being young is...
 - The best food/activity/place....
 - When you grow up...
 - You can help our environment by...
6. **Cut out your two completed circles** and use a glue stick to stick the undecorated sides together.
7. **Put a hole in the top** of your dot using a hole punch and tie some string around it.
8. **Hang your dot** up or add it to a string of other wonders and big ideas.

Going further:

In pairs, children can tell each other something they:

- like to do
- are good at
- that makes them special.

