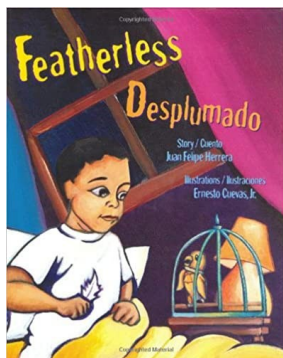


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### Storytime Activities:

#### Dress Up Fun!

Dress up in a cape.

#### What's in the Mystery Bag?

Use your mystery bag to pull different pictures of birds that fly and don't fly. Explain why some birds fly and some don't.

#### Whiteboard Activities:

Make a list of what makes a bird a bird. How are they different from people? From other animals?

#### Actions & Transitions:

- **Before Reading:**
  - Show the cover of the book. Ask: What do you think featherless means? Take a picture walk and discuss illustrations. What do you think this story will be about?
- **During Reading:**
  - Pause after reading each page to check for comprehension. Ask: How does Tomasito fly? How would you like to fly?
- **After Reading:**
  - Remind students that Tomasito was a new student at school. Ask: How would you feel upon arrival at a new school?

#### Vocabulary:

- Peers
- Pebble
- Spinal Cord
- Chairlift

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