



# I Promise

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This story is another great one to add to your collection. If you are like me and use stories like All Are Welcome Here and The Day You Begin to start out your year with students, you will want to add this one as well. This story is based on the ideals and goals of the I Promise School that LeBron helped to establish in his hometown of Akron, Ohio. When you are discussing classroom expectations, this is a great model and reminder for you students. It is also a great vehicle to get them to make music right away in your space.

Below, I have shared a link for you to take into your classrooms. I learned this lesson from Rosemary Prestifilippo Pilonero (a fantastic music teacher and Orff educator from Florida.) As I was coming up with ideas on what and how to create a lesson with this book, she shared with me a great way to create with elemental form patterns and even shared a “page-turn” rhythm you could insert in your reading. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to me!

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