



# Educator's Guide for Pippa Park YouTube Series

BASED ON THE BESTSELLING AAPI MIDDLE GRADE BOOK SERIES BY ERIN YUN



## Meet Tweens Where They Are: on YouTube!

**S1E0: Trailer (0:42)**—The relatable heroine from Erin Yun's bestselling AAPI middle grade book *Pippa Park Raises Her Game* comes to life in a diary-style video series.

### How to Use in the Classroom

**Kick Off Reading the Book:** Get tweens excited about reading by connecting them with books in a format they're used to: short-format videos!

**Strengthen Comprehension:** Use video content with the *Pippa Park* books and discussion questions to engage readers on the books' themes.



## Jumpstart Important Conversations on Cliques and Fitting In

**S1E1: Pippa Park & the Cool Girls (2:08)**—Pippa Park introduces the Royals—the untouchable popular girls at her new school, and her new basketball teammates—and opens up about her hopes to impress them.

### Discussion Questions

**No Reading Required:** Discuss the idiom “fish out of water” and share a time you felt like a “fish out of water.” What did you do to adjust to the situation?

**Book 1, Chapter 10:** Describe the cliques at Lakeview. Who are the Royals? How do the other kids start treating Pippa once she starts eating lunch with the Royals?



## Get Kids to Read AAPI Characters

**S1E4: Growing Up Korean American (3:45)**—Why does Pippa Park love being Korean American? Well, for the food, holidays like Chuseok, and her nontraditional family.

### Discussion Questions

**Book 1, Chapter 1:** Define *family*. Explain why Pippa's mom had to return to Korea. How are Mina and Jung-Hwa realizing their American dream? Why do you think diversity matters in books as well as other forms of media?

**Book 1, Chapter 17:** Chuseok is the Korean version of Thanksgiving, and Pippa's family asks her to invite her friends over to celebrate. Why doesn't she?



## Model Teamwork and Positive Relationship Skills

**S1E6: Sports Makes You Strong (2:28)**—There's nothing better than feeling great at something. For Pippa Park, it's basketball—and being part of a team! What's not to love?

### Discussion Questions

**No Reading Required:** Pippa Park is an excellent basketball player and was the star on the team at Victoria Middle. How does joining a sports team help Pippa with her transition to Lakeview Private?

**Book 1, Chapter 26:** Why does Pippa pass the ball to Bianca instead of trying to make the game-winning shot? Why is trust an important part of teamwork?

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