



Reel Fun
Film Festival



Little Heroes

76 minutes

Grades 4-9

Hebrew film with English subtitles

Can we come to terms with who we are?

Little Heroes is a film about four children who are misfits. They embark on a quest, and their naive courage affects everyone in their lives. Alicia is a recent immigrant from Russia who is responsible beyond her years, and hears and knows things others don't. Sure that a couple is injured and in danger somewhere in the desert, she enlists aid from Erez, a boy trying to recover from his father's recent death while enduring well-meaning indulgence from adults and resentful bullying from classmates. Though doubtful about Alicia's mission, Erez sets off with her and her childlike, strapping older brother, Lev. Their search proves more difficult than anticipated, but the trio find support from Lior, an outsider in his kibbutz community.

This is one of the first films for children made in Israel. Little Heroes provides a glimpse into Israeli reality while emphasizing the common denominators of children worldwide. Children can be heroes and can make a difference.

Discussions and activities to complete before or after viewing the film

1. What do you think children all over the world have in common?
2. What are the differences between Israeli children and Canadian children?
3. Can children be heroes?
4. What makes someone a hero?
5. Write a story about a hero?
6. Who is your hero? Why?
7. Why do people bully others?
8. What can you do to minimize bullying at your school?
9. Have you ever been bullied? Why? How did you handle it?
10. Why wasn't it safe for the children to search for the two teens?
11. Discuss courage and team work.