



## **Teacher's Guide**

### **The Sand Rose**

#### **Moko**

#### **Grade Levels:**

K-5

#### **Subject Areas:**

Reading

Writing/Composition

Media Literacy/Critical Thinking

Earth Sciences

Life Sciences

#### **Synopsis:**

One day, Moko went to see the old man, who gave him a rose from his garden. Moko took the rose home, but along the way it wilted in the heat. Moko, saddened that he let his friend down, cried all night. But when he awoke, the rose was full and beautiful again—it was a sand rose!

#### **Learning Objectives:** Students will:

- Enjoy the origin story presented in this program.
- Understand how a sand rose forms.
- Evaluate Moko's reasoning and conclusions.

#### **Vocabulary:**

Desert, wilted, rose, sand rose, wind, evaporation

#### **Pre-Viewing Discussion:**

Have you ever had a plant that you took care of? What do plants need to grow?

What do you think the desert is like?

#### **Post-Viewing Discussion:**

Why was Moko sad that the rose wilted? How did he react when the rose was beautiful again?

How does the sun contribute to the formation of a sand rose?

#### **Further Activities:**

Plant a garden at your school with your classmates. Be sure that you take care of the garden, providing it the nutrients it needs to grow.