

...then they told us that they could do the same things that we do. They just do them in all different ways.
I felt happy!
Michelle, 4th Grade



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At first I thought
it was sad
that they were
disabled and
could not
do things
that people
who are not
disabled
can do...

Did you know that people who have a disability ...

- * have jobs
- * live in their own homes
- * get married
- * have children
- * go to school
- * are NOT contagious
- * lead busy, exciting and interesting lives
- * want to share their life's story with YOU!

This is Us

An awareness program that introduces kids to people who have a disability



Our hour long interactive presentation includes:
games
awareness exercises
pictures
personal experiences
questions and answers
and LOTS of fun!



This is Us will bring a team of people who represent a variety of disabilities to visit your school and meet with children of all age groups.

Our goal is to help kids understand that people who have a disability are the same as everyone else. We also aim to change some of the stereotypes that society has built against people who have disabilities.



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Here's what some kids have to say about This is Us ...

I thought the people were scary looking at first, but they are very nice and brave! Some were even funny! It was fun because we learned more about their lives and even got to play games.

~Adam, 4th Grade

I liked your show. You did very good talking about your life and how you grew up. I never knew what someone with a disability could do!

~Colin, 5th Grade

I think you are very nice, and beautiful, too! Thanks for coming!

~Nina, 2nd Grade