

Beautiful Me

Help children pick crayons or colored pencils that accurately show their skin, hair, and eye color, and draw themselves. Ask, "What makes you, *you*?" Around their drawing, help children write:

- Descriptions of their racial, ethnic, and cultural identity; for example: African American, Black, biracial, Cherokee, Japanese American, Irish American, Jewish, Muslim, Puerto Rican, White.
- Words that describe their skin color.
- Traditions and heritage, including places their families call "home."
- Finally, write about what makes them special.

A large rectangular frame with a decorative border of small circles. The border consists of 20 circles along the top edge, 20 circles along the bottom edge, 15 circles along the left edge, and 15 circles along the right edge. The interior of the frame is a large, empty white space for drawing and writing.