Why Wordless Picture Books?

1. Wordless picture books help to build confidence among our earliest readers.
2. Help establish the idea that “We are all readers.”
3. Students learn that a story has a beginning, middle, and end.
4. Children build their vocabulary.
5. Children engage deeply with text as they are drawn into the detailed pictures. With the absence of words, children spend a longer time engaging with text, rather than turning the page when the words run out.

Questions to ask while reading a wordless picture book

1. How is the character feeling? How do you know?
2. What do you think will happen next? Why do you think that?
3. What do you think this character is saying?
4. What would you do if you were this character?
5. What is the setting of this story? What clues do you see in the picture that let you know that?

Give it a try! Now it is time for you to make a plan for reading your own Wordless Picture Book.
**Directions:** Use the QR code above to choose a book to use in your own classroom with your students.

**Name of book:** ____________________________________________

**Why did you choose this book? What do you want your students to walk away with?** (this may be a skill)

1. __________________________________________________________

2. __________________________________________________________

3. __________________________________________________________

**Choose one page in the book where you might linger with your students. What are some questions you may ask that are specific to this page? What are some things you want them to notice?**

1. __________________________________________________________

2. __________________________________________________________

3. __________________________________________________________

**Predict some possible challenges, successes or next steps that may come up before, during or after reading this text.**

1. __________________________________________________________

2. __________________________________________________________

3. __________________________________________________________

Time to share!