

## Activity

# Spellbinding with a Flutter of Fierce Fairies

Invite students to suspend their disbelief and imagine you are a **thaumaturge** who has just turned your entire class into a flutter of magical fairies. **Use this magical activity, one and all, to gather your flutter of fairies and have a spellbinding ball! Create a spell that only does good for the world at large, or just for your neighborhood!**

**Materials Needed:** one object per student to use as a wand, parchment (butcher paper), colorful quills (markers and crayons), paper and writing utensils

### 1. Getting started:

Begin by asking your young magic-makers to gather as a group with their imaginations at the ready. Give each student an object and deem it their wand. They are now a flutter of fairies and you are now their **mage**. The task at hand is this: work as a full group or in small groups to create a spell that brings joy and light to the world. Let the magic begin!

### 2. Brainstorm keywords:

With large parchment and colorful quills, let your flutter's wondrous ideas take flight. As scribe, help list out the possible contents of spells—any answer is right! Then, make a list of fantastical places where magic abounds, like enchanted forests, castles or fairies' sacred grounds.

### 3. Formulating your spell:

In small groups or big, let creativity bloom. Help your fairies dream up spells that dispel all gloom. Give them paper and markers and crayons—and fast! Together, conjure a world where joyful spells are cast!

Offer a formula to help your fairies create, a spell that brings love and wishes away hate:

*A Fairy's Guide to Spellbinding* (see the scroll on the next page for a sample spell!)

- Begin with a magical action word, like “spark” or “glow.”
- Add a mystical ingredient, such as “stardust” or “moonlight.”
- Craft a catchy chant like “By the light of the moon, make it shimmer and swoon!”
- Describe the spell's effect for extra flair, like “let love abound and fear disappear!”

### 4. The encantation:

Now each flutter will craft a **tableau**, a scene so grand, with wands in tow, they'll take a stand with hearts aglow.

Once their spells are brewed, their wands ready to sway, one fairy from each group steps forth to convey. They'll describe their magic and with passion they'll speak as others hold their poses so strong and unique.

### 5. Offering affirmations:

Applaud their efforts, their collaboration so inspired. In this enchanted journey, they never wavered or tired! For in their hearts, magic will forever reside. As they journey onward, with wonder as their guide.

In closing, say:

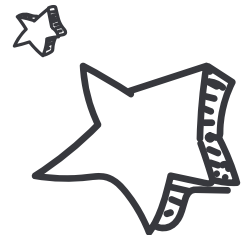
*Farewell to our adventure, as the stars bid adieu,  
But remember, young fairies, the magic's in you.  
In dreams and in play, let your imaginations soar.  
Remember the spells you've crafted forevermore!*

### Words to Know:

**Thaumaturge:** a worker of wonders and performer of miracles; a magician

**Mage:** a magician or learned person

**Tableau:** a frozen picture



### Reflection Questions:

What was your favorite part of our magical adventure today? Why?

How did you feel when you were casting spells with your wand?

If you could have one, what magical power would you want to have?



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Below is an example of a spell to help inspire you and your students:

Giggle and twirl with starlight's glow.  
Moonbeams dance as we tiptoe.  
Whisper soft, let's make it so.  
Dreams take flight. Worries go.

Love fills the air, worries disappear.  
In this magic moment, let's all cheer!