
STUDY GUIDE FOR EBZB AND MIKE WILEY PRODUCTIONS' STAGE ADAPTATION OF *LIFE IS SO GOOD* BY GEORGE DAWSON AND RICHARD GLAUBMAN

Questions About *Life Is So Good*

Study ahead for enhanced understanding of the performance. Then follow through with activities.

THE AUTHORS



Richard Glaubman and George Dawson

VOCABULARY WORDS

- Literacy
- Civil Rights, Segregation
- 20th Century History
- Ageism, Racism
- Retirement
- Integrity
- Work
- Centenarian
- Posthumous

ACTIVITIES

Interview a Senior Citizen. Find a family member or friend who has lived through at least 60 years of American History and ask them about the five most amazing points in history that they have witnessed. Record the interview with a digital video camera or take notes. Then make a multi-media presentation on your computer, or write about the person you interviewed.

Read Out Loud To Someone. Or have someone read out loud to you! Choose a reading buddy and take turns reading to each other. Reading together is the best way to promote literacy!

Make a Timeline. List the dates of major events of the 20th century. Find pop-culture information to correspond with the same dates. Use Powerpoint or Keynote software to make a presentation. Or draw the timeline on poster board.

Try something new – It's never too late to learn something new! Take a lesson – swimming, musical instrument, sports activity. Travel to a new place, Try a new food. Stretch yourself.

WEB SITES

Richard Glaubman
www.richardglaubman.com

George Dawson
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/George_Dawson_%28author%29

Centenarians
http://www.hcoa.org/centenarians/george_dawson.htm

Reading is Fundamental
<http://www.rif.org/>

Silly Books
<http://www.sillybooks.net/>

Learn to Read at Starfall.com
<http://www.starfall.com/>

BOOKS

Life Is So Good
by George Dawson and Richard Glaubman

This Little Light of Mine
Illustrated by E.B. Lewis

The Adventures of Cali
By Michele Lallouz Fisher

1. What year did slavery legally end in the United States? Were black and white people treated equally that year? Why?
2. What are civil rights?
3. What year did World War I begin? World War II? The Korean War? The Vietnam war?
4. What is "literacy"? Are there different kinds of literacy? Why is it important to be literate?
5. Why do you think George Dawson lived to be 103 years old?
6. George Dawson's philosophy is "Life Is So Good". What is a philosophy? What is your philosophy?