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What If You Couldn't

The program What If You Couldn't will be introduced to the third graders of the Malden Public Schools. This elementary school program about handicaps was developed by the Children's Museum of Boston with WGBH Boston. Through graphics, simulation devices, discussion, and movies, and appliances used by people with handicaps, it is presenting a non-threatening, straightforward picture of what it might be like to have a disability. Through acknowledgement of their feelings, answers to their questions, and opportunities to gain factual and experimental knowledge, children become more informed and sensitized.

Community representatives, who have been trained to use this kit effectively, will be going to every third grade classroom. Teachers will be able to borrow the kits to expand upon the initial session.