

## Story Guide THE EAGLE & THE SPARROW BY MARA MENZIES

WATCH THE VIDEO OF STORYTELLER MARA MENZIES LIVE AT THE 2019 NATIONAL STORYTELLING FESTIVAL <u>HERE</u>. (STORY RUN TIME IS 15:37 TO 22:58). THEN ENJOY EXPLORING THE STORY WITH THE ACTIVITIES OUTLINED BELOW.



- What are some techniques Mara used to make this story interesting?
- How did Mara include the audience in the story?



## think it

- Compare the Eagle and the Sparrow. How are they alike? How are they different?
- Who won the contest to see who could fly the highest?

• How was humor used in the story?

- Is the main character the Eagle or the Sparrow? Defend your choice.
- What is the moral of the story?

## create it

- Imagine you are the King of Birds. Use your voice to be the Eagle. Now, pretend you are the Sparrow. How is your voice different? Try it out in front of the mirror. How did your expressions change?
- Imagine you are a bird yet to be discovered. Draw a picture and share it.



Pretend you are a character from the story or imagine a brand new character altogether. Write a "journal entry" from this character's perspective about the things they saw, heard, and did in the story. Once you've writtten it out, practice and share with a friend or family member. Now YOU'RE the storyteller!