Early Childhood Kwanzaa Activities
Habari Gani?

UMOJA!
Unity

This chef’s jacket and pot belonged to Chef Leah Chase who owned Dooky Chase Restaurant in Louisiana. Her restaurant has always been a place for all kinds of people to enjoy a delicious meal and practice Umoja. Chef Leah believed that, "We can talk to each other and relate to each other when we eat together."

What do you enjoy doing with others in your family, school or community?

The first principle of Kwanzaa is Umoja. This principle reminds us that when we come together to live, work, share and learn, we are stronger.

Pretend to fill a pot with ingredients and stir it up! What are you cooking?

Draw a picture of a meal you enjoy making and eating with people you love.

Talk about what unity means to you. Why is unity important?

Sing "Come Together" with John Legend and Sesame Street friends!

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