

When trying to decide on a theme, keep these things in mind:

- What are your interests? How can you showcase them in the classroom?
- Is there a particular color scheme that you prefer?
- How will you arrange classroom furniture? Do you plan to use flexible seating or options for accessibility?
- Will you have a designated teacher area?
- How will you organize materials?
- Will you have a broad concept for your classroom curriculum?
- Do you want to make all the decisions before school starts or will students have a say in the theme as well?
- Is it functional? School appropriate? Welcoming and inclusive?
- Can you easily find materials for this theme?
- What kind of atmosphere are you trying to create—calm, studious, energizing, etc.