



EMERSON ELEMENTARY

Westerville, OH
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Bol Aweng with fourth grade magnet teacher Melissa Taylor who made the arrangements for the visit.

The Lost Boy of Sudan Bol Aweng spoke to Emerson Elementary fourth and fifth graders. He shared his incredible story of escaping the civil war in Sudan. He walked 1,500 miles with 35,000 other Lost Boys seeking a safe refuge in Kenya. After 20 years in refugee camps he was resettled in the United States.



The students listened with keen interest. They had read several books about the Lost Boys. Bol's talk helped to make those stories come alive. After his talk, Bol answered many questions. Here is a sample of those questions:
"Did you have to be carried when you were too exhausted?"
"What was the scariest thing on your journey?"
"What happened to your brothers and sisters?"
"When you were walking at night did you ever encounter the army?"
"What was the worst thing that happened on your journey?"
"How did you know which direction to go?"

Bol always enjoys talking with students after his talk. He had many interesting conversations.

