Crickwing

Using Picture Books in Middle School

Explains how to use picture books with middle school students to teach a variety of topics and introduce new concepts across the curriculum.

Writing Strategies for Fiction

Help your students develop the writing skills they need to succeed with this timely resource! This book provides teachers with standards-based strategies to help students demonstrate their learning of fiction-related concepts as they navigate the complexities of literary works. This book offers detailed strategies for using graphic organizers, developing vocabulary, journal writing, taking notes, applying knowledge, and assessing student writing. The strategies also help prepare students for success in college and careers. Classroom examples and differentiation suggestions with every strategy provide clear models for success!

Crickwing

A lonely cockroach named Crickwing has a creative idea that saves the day for the leaf-cutter ants when their fierce forest enemies attack them.

Cockroach

The cockroach could not have scuttled along, almost unchanged, for two hundred and fifty million years — some two hundred and forty-nine before man evolved — unless it was doing something right. It would be fascinating as well as instructive to have access to the cockroach's own record of its life on earth, to know its point of view on evolution and species domination over the millennia. Such chronicles would perhaps radically alter our perceptions of the dinosaur's span and importance — and that of our own development and significance. We might learn that throughout all these aeons, the dominant life form has been, if not the cockroach itself, then certainly the insect. Attempts to chronicle the cockroach's intellectual and emotional life have been made only within the last century when a scientist titled his essay on the cockroach \"The Intellectual and Emotional World of the Cockroach\

Creative Themes for Every Day, Grades Preschool - K

Creative Themes for Every Day is the perfect compilation of self-directed, hands-on educational resources that reinforce all aspects of classroom learning. Aligning to NAEYC program standards, this book focuses on movement, art, cognitive skills, and dramatic play that will help build a strong foundation for kindergarten and beyond. Its 160 pages include hundreds of hands-on activities and themed learning experiences for school and home.

Literacy Assessment and Metacognitive Strategies

Introduction to literacy, assessment, and instruction -- Building relationships: learning from students, families, and community -- Language development -- Word analysis -- Reading fluency -- Reading, listening, and viewing comprehension -- Writing composition and visual representation.

Giant Book of Preschool Activities, Grades PK - K

Help students in grades PK–K make connections and reinforce learning while keeping the classroom manageable using Giant Book of Preschool Activities. This 304-page book provides practice for the skills and functions needed for early childhood development. With more than 26 themes and 500 activities, this book makes it practically impossible to run out of ideas for teaching social, motor, memory, and auditory skills. The book includes ideas for movement, rhyming, circles, counting, games, and centers and comes with reproducibles, literature selections, Web site suggestions, and an index of activities by skill. This book supports NAEYC standards and aligns with state, national, and Canadian provincial standards.

The Library Journal

Includes, beginning Sept. 15, 1954 (and on the 15th of each month, Sept.-May) a special section: School library journal, ISSN 0000-0035, (called Junior libraries, 1954-May 1961). Also issued separately.

Library Journal

A guide to captivating read alouds for grades K through 6 with tips on effective reading aloud, storytelling, and classroom and library activities. It also includes references to related titles that help teachers and librarians plan effective programs and instill a love of books and reading as well as a bibliography of professional books.

School Library Journal

Current research suggests that active study of science reinforces thinking, language and reading skills. Presenting the necessary tools to integrate literacy with science, this hands-on book contains valuable instructional ideas and activities that make science less daunting - especially for teachers.

Books Kids Will Sit Still For 3: A Read-Aloud Guide

Focusing on narrative, expository, and persuasive writing and poetry, this guide provides strategies and tools to facilitate writing development for English learners in Grades 2–8.

Integrating Instruction

Following on the success of her first book The Bully in the Book and in the Classroom, C. J. Bott has written this sequel to help those who work with children and young adults become familiar with books that address the problem of bullying. More Bullies in More Books presents over 350 annotated titles, from picture books to high school books, dealing with bullying. Chapters address specific bullying behaviors or problems: name calling, putdowns, and gossip; being new and different; body image; cliques, groups, and gangs; 'isms;' homophobia; cyberspace; and violence. Each chapter begins with an introduction that describes the harassment seen most often in each grade level and contains relevant books at all reading levels. Every entry features an in-depth summary, activities, and quotes from the book for students to discuss. An important resource about a real and harmful problem, this book will be of interest to teachers, librarians, counselors, administrators, and parents.

Writing Instruction for English Learners

Includes audio versions, and annual title-author index.

More Bullies in More Books

More experienced colleagues or mentors sometimes support teachers in their first teaching positions, helping them make the transition from the college classroom to being responsible for a group of young children. At other times, new teachers are left to travel their own paths, relying on their own resources. Whatever your situation, this professional enhancement guide is designed to provide reminders of what you have learned, as well as resources to help you make sense of and apply that knowledge.

For Younger Readers

Roxanne Henkin shows you how to make school a safer place for all children.

Talking Book Topics

Encyclopedias.

For Younger Readers; Braille and Talking Books

Lists books by subject and title and recommends what book children and young adults should read next based on their previous likes and dislikes.

Administration in Early Education

Contains more than 25,000 titles of books recommended for children in grades K-6.

Confronting Bullying

Over 100 activities that reinforce 5 key areas of reading instruction, and support the requirements of the No Child Left Behind Act.

Instructor

A modern classic with over 250,000 copies sold, Honey for a Child's Heart is a compelling, essential guide for parents who want to find the best books for their children ages 0–12. A good book is a gateway into a wider world of wonder, beauty, delight, and adventure. But children don't stumble onto the best books by themselves. They need a parent's help. Author Gladys Hunt discusses everything from how to choose good books for your children to encouraging them to be avid readers. Completely revised and updated to keep pace with the ever-changing world of children's literature, this fourth edition of Honey for a Child's Heart reflects Hunt's broad tastes in books. Rooted in experience, her suggestions will enrich the cultural and spiritual life of your home. She shows you how to: Understand the importance of being a read-aloud family, enjoying books together by reading aloud Give your children a large view of the world, of truth, and of goodness Encourage each child's imagination and good use of language Find the best books for your children Illustrated with drawings from dozens of children's favorites, Honey for a Child's Heart includes book lists geared to your child's age and filled with nearly 1,000 long-time favorites, classics, and wonderful new books that will enrich your child's life. Thousands of parents have used it to furnish their children's inner spirit with the wonder and delight of good reading.

Bugs Britannica

This remarkable book includes more than one hundred games and drama activities, all with a clear learning focus. The activities use themes as a springboard for easy drama through games, movement, tableau, role playing, improvisation, readers theatre, choral speaking, and much more. Teachers will find opportunities to explore literary genres that include the picture book, novel, rhyme, folktale, poem, script, and photograph.

New drama structures look at relevant topics that range from personal narrative and the immigrant experience to bullying and building a community. This comprehensive approach to drama illustrates how teachers can reach each learner in the classroom.

What Do Children and Young Adults Read Next?

This passionate book is about community, compassion, and creativity; it is about caring for others. It is also about helping students care about their work. Teachers will learn how to establish inclusive classrooms where kindness and concern become crucial backdrops for critical conversations. They will be introduced to simple but profound strategies that initiate and maintain respectful dialogue, promote collaboration over competition, and confront difficult issues such as bullying and exclusion. Creating Caring Classrooms is committed to building respectful relationships among students, teachers, and the school community. Through active, engaging, relevant, open-ended activities, students will be encouraged to explore events, ideas, themes, texts, stories, and relationships from different perspectives, and then represent those new understandings in innovative and creative ways.

The Publishers Weekly

This remarkable book shows teachers how to inspire students to learn to write and write to learn. Committed to the premise that all students can learn to write with appropriate teaching, modelling, and practice, it argues that reading and writing go hand in hand. Through reading, writing and the inevitable discussions that follow, students learn from the experiences of others, open their minds to many possibilities, gain a glimpse into new worlds, make connections to their lives, and reflect on their own choices and learning. This practical book shows you how to use freewriting and powerful mentor texts to create classrooms where students enjoy putting pencil to paper and taking the necessary risks to grow and flourish as writers.

Best Books for Children

A modern classic with over 250,000 copies sold, Honey for a Child's Heart is a compelling, essential guide for parents who want to find the best books for their children ages 0-12. This updated and expanded edition includes a new preface, an updated list of recommended reads for each age group, and audiobook suggestions. A good book is a gateway into a wider world of wonder, beauty, delight, and adventure. But children don't stumble onto the best books by themselves. They need a parent's help. Author Gladys Hunt, along with her son, Mark, discusses everything from how to choose good books for your children to encouraging them to be avid readers. Illustrated with drawings from dozens of children's favorites, Honey for a Child's Heart Updated and Expanded includes completely updated book lists geared to your child's age and filled with nearly one thousand longtime favorites, classics, wonderful new books, and audiobooks that will enrich your child's life. It will also show you how to: Understand the importance of being a read-aloud family, enjoying books together by reading aloud Give your children a large view of the world, of truth, and of goodness Encourage each child's imagination and good use of language Find the best books for your children Thousands of parents have used this guide to furnish their children's inner spirit with the wonder and delight of good reading. Updated and expanded to keep pace with the ever-changing world of children's literature, it is sure to enrich the cultural and spiritual life of your home.

Best Books for Children, Preschool Through Grade 6

Whether used for thematic story times, program and curriculum planning, readers' advisory, or collection development, this updated edition of the well-known companion makes finding the right picture books for your library a breeze. Generations of savvy librarians and educators have relied on this detailed subject guide to children's picture books for all aspects of children's services, and this new edition does not disappoint. Covering more than 18,000 books published through 2017, it empowers users to identify current and classic titles on topics ranging from apples to zebras. Organized simply, with a subject guide that categorizes

subjects by theme and topic and subject headings arranged alphabetically, this reference applies more than 1,200 intuitive (as opposed to formal catalog) subject terms to children's picture books, making it both a comprehensive and user-friendly resource that is accessible to parents and teachers as well as librarians. It can be used to identify titles to fill in gaps in library collections, to find books on particular topics for young readers, to help teachers locate titles to support lessons, or to design thematic programs and story times. Title and illustrator indexes, in addition to a bibliographic guide arranged alphabetically by author name, further extend access to titles.

Reading First, eBook

From Curiosity to Deep Learning: Personal Digital Inquiry in Grades K-5 reveals the powerful learning that results when you integrate purposeful technology into a classroom culture that values curiosity and deep learning. The centerpiece of this practical guide is Personal Digital Inquiry (PDI), a framework developed by Julie Coiro and implemented in classrooms by her co-authors, Elizabeth Dobler and Karen Pelekis. Clear, detailed examples offer ideas for K-5 teachers and school librarians to support their teaching. Personal emphasizes the significance of the personal relationship between teachers and students, and the role that students have in the learning process. Digital reflects the important role that digital texts and tools have come to play in both learning and teaching with inquiry. Inquiry lies at the core of PDI, because learners grow and change with opportunities to identify problems, generate personal wonderings, and engage in collaborative dialogue, making learning relevant and lasting. From Curiosity to Deep Learning: Personal Digital Inquiry in Grades K-5 shows you how to integrate inquiry with a range of digital tools and resources that will create a dynamic classroom for both you and your students.

Honey for a Child's Heart

Transformations in Stories and Arguments explores essential questions, such as \"How does the development of a character build the reader's understanding? How do the actions of others change the world? How do words and images impact our thinking?\" This unit, developed by Vanderbilt University's Programs for Talented Youth, is aligned to the Common Core State Standards and features accelerated content, creative products, differentiated tasks, engaging activities, and the use of in-depth analysis models to develop sophisticated skills in the language arts. Through the lens of transformation, students will examine narrative and persuasive elements essential to the analysis of short stories, advertisements, visual art, scientific argumentation, and their own writing. Students will discover transformations in themselves and their written work as they craft and revise narrative and persuasive pieces, realizing their own voice in the process. Ideal for gifted classrooms or gifted pull-out groups, the unit features stories by Dan Santat, Fiona Roberton, Jannell Cannon, Christopher Myers, Maurice Sendak, Daniel Manus Pinkwater, Jane Yolen, and Patricia Polacco; poetry by Carl Sandburg; sculptures by Arturo Di Modica and Kristen Visbal; a viewing of Pixar's short film Lou and a variety of commercials; and engaging short nonfiction readings. Winner of the 2015 NAGC Curriculum Studies Award Grades 2-4

The New Dramathemes

This focused resource from experts in teaching writing helps develop enthusiastic and efficient writers through classroom-tested methods that support all students. Its research-based strategies and proven best practices in writing instruction help educators meet the demands of today's new and challenging standards while developing purposeful writers. This book provides high-quality support in areas such as writer's workshop, the writing process, the traits of good writing, assessment, classroom organization, and the use of appropriate writing assignments. Using the strategies, tips, and resources in this book, you can transform students into college- and career-ready writers.

Creating Caring Classrooms

How Do I Get Them to Write?

\"Simple text accompanied by full-color photographs give an up-close look at cockroaches\"--Provided by publisher.

Honey for a Child's Heart Updated and Expanded

In this second edition of Becoming a Literacy Leader: Supporting Learning and Change, author Jennifer Allen reflects on her work as a literacy specialist and how the role has evolved in the decade since she wrote the first edition. Her experiences can apply to all school leaders including principals, coaches, teachers, support staff, and office administrators. Allen focuses on three ideas to describe her work: Layered Leadership, the multitude of supports in place for teachers to encourage learning and change within schools; Shared experiences that develop community and develop common understanding of practices, curriculum, and assessment; Importance of 'rowing in the same direction' in that literacy coaches and leaders stay interconnected and aligned to the goals of the school. Allen knows the challenges of teachers face and advocates literacy coaches implement these layers of support within a school, including in-class support, curriculum support and assessment, study group facilitation, and the cultivation of teacher leadership. In Becoming a Literacy Leader, she provides an explicit framework for implementing these layers of coaching and explains how administrators can use the literacy leader position to build and sustain change within their schools. This book will be the road map for how literacy leaders and coaches approach their work with purpose and intention. Online videos that accompany the book bring the text alive by showing readers what coaching looks and sounds like.

A to Zoo

\"This book will prove a valuable resource for parents, teachers, and librarians on the vital topic of reading aloud.\" Library Journal, Starred Review Parents and teachers know that reading aloud to children is important, and many parents of infants and toddlers read aloud to them daily. However, when children start to read on their own, parents often stop reading aloud. But these early elementary school years are actually a perfect time to build vocabulary and comprehension skills through reading aloud and Active Reading.

Raising an Active Reader makes clear the process of learning to read, how Active Reading fits into raising strong readers, and what adults can do to encourage strong language, comprehension, and vocabulary in children in grades K-3. This book extends on the ABCs of Active Reading (Ask Questions, Build Vocabulary, and make Connections) as they apply to older children for picture books, chapter books, and novels. It provides parents and teachers with examples, clear explanations, and ideas for making one-on-one or small group read aloud sessions a powerful way to build children's early literacy and language skills, all while creating a lifelong love of reading.

From Curiosity to Deep Learning

With so many state standards and demands of accountability, it can be a challenge for teachers to teach in ways that create energy and enthusiasm for reading. In their book, Reading Wellness: Lessons in Independence and Proficiency, authors Dr. Jan Burkins and Kim Yaris want to reignite the passion in teachers and drive them to instill confidence, curiosity, and joy in students. Burkins and Yates define reading wellness to include all aspects of readership so we can be our best reading selves-. The book is built around a framework of four intentions: alignment, balance, sustainability, and joy. It includes a series of field-tested lessons that help children read closely and carefully while still honoring their interests, passions, and agency as readers. Reading Wellness encourages each teacher to shape these ideas in ways that support personal ideals and goals while nurturing a love of reading and a passion for lifelong learning.

Transformations in Stories and Arguments

Fostering Writing in Today's Classroom

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