

## Now What? A Teacher-Librarian's Suggestions for Using TeachingBooks



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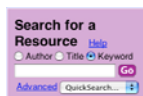
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*Note that all sections contain useful ideas for everyone, regardless of instructional role.*

### Extend and Enhance Classroom Activities

- Search the site before you begin a new unit of study.
- Use Book Readings to demonstrate to your students quality examples of “voice.”
- Explore with your students websites which are directly related to your unit of study.
- Share an Author Program movie so students can “meet” the author.



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### Explore Lesson Ideas & Activities



The Book Guides section offers lesson ideas and activities which correlate to the literature you are currently teaching.

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### Use at Student Workstations

- Encourage students to explore their own interests.
- Create task cards to direct students through pre-selected areas of the website that extend topics covered in the classroom.

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### TeachingBooks Isn't Just for Language Arts Teachers

Discover resources for all subject areas and grade levels

- **Math teachers** can utilize the search function to find literature resources that enhance their lessons, or browse Thematic Booklists to find a listing of picture books that demonstrate math concepts.
- **Science teachers** can explore the Book Awards section to find distinguished titles on a variety of science topics.

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- **Art teachers** can use Author Program movies of illustrators in their studios to demonstrate artists at work, or the Book Awards section to find books receiving awards for outstanding illustration.
- **History teachers** can utilize the search function to find many literature resources to enhance the study of historical people.

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## Enhance Story Times & Booktalks

- Choose an author / illustrator from Author Programs to highlight. Gather books and materials from your collection. After reading a selection to students, have them view the Author Program movie.
- Share the author / illustrator's website and other valuable sites as shown in **Further Information**.



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## Provide Reading Incentives

- Have students view an Author Program movie for an author of their choice as a required activity within the incentive.
- After visiting an author / illustrator's website, have students write a brief summary of something new they learned about this book creator.



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## Teach Library Skills

- Direct students to an author's website in order to learn of other titles by this author. Then, encourage students to search your library's online catalog to see what books are available.
- Use the TeachingBooks search function to help students identify and evaluate online resources. Information literacy skills like this are relevant for lifelong learning.

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## Facilitate Collection Development

- TeachingBooks can support your collection development by connecting you to award-winning authors and illustrators.
- Browse Book Awards to learn about the hundreds of awards and distinctions for children's and young adult literature. Having access to these awards, all in one database, helps you create consideration lists more efficiently.
- Search Thematic Booklists to find lists of books about particular subjects. In terms of collection development, this section helps you find titles to fit a multitude of curricular and independent reading needs.



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## Collaborate with Teachers

Search for ideas and materials for teachers to supplement their lessons. TeachingBooks is a portal to all things literature, reducing the time it takes to find quality resources on the Internet.



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## Encourage Independent Exploration

TeachingBooks is a great way to allow your child to further explore his/her favorite author, book or subject area in a child-friendly, safe, online environment.

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## Extend Classroom Learning

- Using the topics, literature or authors currently being covered in your child's classroom, utilize the search function to find additional resources directly related to classroom learning and activities.



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## Introduce New Authors & Illustrators

- Children of all ages have favorite authors and illustrators. Use TeachingBooks to introduce your child to other authors or illustrators with which he/she may not yet be familiar.
- Explore TeachingBooks with your child and enjoy meeting authors together.



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