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**BJ:** The topic is using the arts to teach reading

**BJ:** This weekend I participated in the National Book Festival in Washington DC and got lots of resources

**BJ:** We usually start all the discussions here with introductions...

**ShereeR**: I am an artist / art educator in St. Petersburg Florida. I teach severely emotionally disturbed students K-12

**BJ:** I'm an art teacher in Pennsylvania and a helpdesk volunteer for Tapped In

CindyL: I am a third grade regular ed teacher in Milwaukee Wisconsin

**RoxannaA**: I got my bachelor's degree at the University of Houston last year and decided that I would be much more fulfilled as a teacher, NOT an accountant (which I've been for the past 6 years)

BJ: cool...a small but distinguished group

RoxannaA: Not quite! I'm ready for the action, not riding numbers all day!

**BJ:** What made me interested in the topic for this month was that Teen Read Week is October 19-25, 2003

**BJ:** we'll start off with a url from the YALSA

**BJ:** <a href="http://www.ala.org/Content/NavigationMenu/YALSA/YALSA.htm">http://www.ala.org/Content/NavigationMenu/YALSA/YALSA.htm</a>

CynthiaH joined the room.

**BJ:** Welcome, Cynthia. This is the Arts and Literacy discussion

JasonEH joined the room.

**BJ:** Hi. Jason

CynthiaH: Hi! First time in ASO--glad to be here.

JasonEH: howdy

**JasonEH**: first time as well

**BJ:** Jason, are you here for the arts and literacy discussion?

**BJ:** Here's another ALA site for some great book resources <a href="www.ala.org/yalsa/booklists">www.ala.org/yalsa/booklists</a>

BJ. o O ( young adult lit )

**BJ:** for those who are new to participating in a discussion in Tapped In...

**BJ:** you might want to click on the Actions drop down menu in the top right of this chat window...

**BJ:** and scroll down to detach

**BJ:** that will make your chat window larger and easier to read

CynthiaH: Thanks!

**ShereeR**: BJ, here is a good link all about the "Slammin" Teen Read week. Lots of links:

ShereeR:

http://www.ala.org/Content/NavigationMenu/YALSA/Teen Reading/Teen Reading.htm

JasonEH: cool
BJ nods to Sheree.

CindiH joined the room.

BJ: Hi, Cindi.

CindiH)

BJ: We're looking at www.ala.org/yalsa/booklists

BJ: there are some great links from that page for more information

BJ: Sheree pointed out the link to Poetry Slammin

**ChristyG** joined the room.

**BJ:** the rest of the resources I'm sharing tonight are from the National Book Festival <a href="http://www.loc.gov/bookfest/welcome/index.html">http://www.loc.gov/bookfest/welcome/index.html</a>

**ShereeR**: I wish my kids could do a "Poetry Slam". I would be afraid they would take it too literally.

CindiH: Hi Sheree

**BJ:** rename it poetry hugs, Sheree

**ChristyG**: Is this Arts and Literacy discussion?

**BJ:** yes, it is, Christy **ChristyG**: Thank you!

**BJ:** Christy, when I show a url, just click on it to open a new window

**BJ:** everyone ready to move on?

ShereeR: LOL BJ ChristyG: Ok RoxannaA: yes JasonEH: l JasonEH: k CynthiaH: Yes!

**BJ:** the Library of Congress Center for the Book had a table there...

CindiH: go

**BJ:** LOC Center for the Book: <a href="http://www.loc.gov/loc/cfbook/">http://www.loc.gov/loc/cfbook/</a>

**BJ:** the center for the book has a competition: Letters about literature - A national reading and writing promotion

**BJ:** program for children and young adults **BJ:** http://www.loc.gov/loc/cfbook/letters.html

**JasonEH**: I teach 4th grade and that would be a great project

BJ nods to Jason

**CynthiaH**: great opportunity.

JasonEH: does anyone here do their own contest

**ChristyG**: What is a Poetry slam?

**AnneMH** joined the room.

**ShereeR**: It is very cool Christy.

BJ:

http://www.ala.org/Content/NavigationMenu/YALSA/Teen Reading/Teen Reading.htm

**BJ:** that was the poetry slam page, Christy

BJ waves hi to Anne

AnneMH: hi

ChristyG: Thank You BJ

**ShereeR**: Poets get up and read their poetry in a type of "challenge" setting. The audience approves or disapproves. It is exciting.

**JasonEH**: that's a nice approach, does anyone get upset

**ChristyG**: That sounds exciting

**CynthiaH**: something new or been around? **ChristyG**: could you do this in a classroom?

BJ: it's been around for a few years..not too long

CindiH: I have to close, my internet explorer just encountered a problem...???? and will

close here. Pop-Ups are a pain!!

JasonEH: pop up killer, type in google CindiH: Bye Sherree, if I get cut off **BJ:** ready for the next resource?

JasonEH: k ChristyG: yes RoxannaA: ves CynthiaH: yep

**BJ:** Reading is Fundamental www.rif.org

CindiH: Hugs BJ

**ShereeR**: Jason, I think with the right student population and set up, doing a slam at school would be great fun.

**BJ:** RIF has Art of reading Imagination Cards

**BJ:** http://www.rif.org/art/

CindiH: I am still here YAE! Rif?

**AnneMH**: what are they?

**BJ:** rif is reading is fundamental

**BJ:** Anne, click on the url to open a new window

AnneMH: ok

**CindiH**: one of my groups is doing immigration JasonEH: it works, minimize your screen

ShereeR: Oh cute!!

**JasonEH**: how do you paste url

**BJ:** Jason, just click on the url to open a new window **BJ:** RIF also has a project with the Corcoran Art Gallery

**JasonEH**: I want to paste in one I found but it looks like I have to type it in

**BJ:** Corcoran Gallery of Art www.corcoran.org

RoxannaA: I haven't really gotten a good look at the site yet, but is it articles on how to help get children involved more in their reading? (it's what I've gathered so far)

**ChristvG**: Have you tried control v to paste?

**JasonEH**: http://www.rif.org/readingplanet/expressyourself/content/coloringbook.mspx

JasonEH: thanks it worked

**BJ:** yes, Roxanne...and also how to link art and reading **JasonEH**: this link would be fun for younger kids at home **ChristyG**: I am getting great literacy ideas from these links!

BJ: thanks, Jason. Yes, it would be.

**ShereeR**: If you try to click a URL and it doesn't open. TRY holding down the control key while you click it. That is what I have to do every time.

**CynthiaH**: this is a good array

**BJ:** the RIF collaboration with Corcoran is Artistic Adventures

**BJ:** http://www.rif.org/parents/articles/artistic adventures.mspx

CindiH left the room (signed off).

**ChristyG**: Kids would love to do the reading plant coloring pages

**JasonEH**: well I have to go to new room thanks

**BJ:** bye, Jason

**JasonEH** left the room (signed off).

BJ: RIF also had a link to the Eric Carle Museum of Picture Book Art

**BJ:** www.picturebookart.org **ChristyG**: what was that link?

ChristvG: Thanks

BJ: and another link to the National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature

**BJ:** www.nccil.org

**BJ:** How's everyone doing? Need more time? Any comments? Questions?

AnneMH: please fill me in

**AnneMH**: I thought the theme was teen reading?

**BJ:** Anne, this discussion is based on using the arts to promote literacy

**ChristyG**: Eric Carle is a great children's article. Is that website how to incorporate art into his readings?

**CynthiaH**: Good pace--enough time. Any classical lit sites?

**RoxannaA**: I just can't wait to get a good look at all these amazing sites to see all they offer.

**BJ:** Christy, children's picture books are a great way to incorporate art and lit...and Carle's page has the best of the best illustrations

**BJ:** Anne, I attended the National Book Festival in Washington, DC this weekend...and got a ton of resources...

AnneMH: cool

**BJ:** those are what I'm sharing right now

**BJ:** all kids like comic books/graphic novels

**BJ:** I met Phil Yeh, who is a comic book artist

**AnneMH**: I have met him, too

**BJ:** Home page http://www.hollywoodcomics.com/yeh.html

**ChristyG**: Do you have anymore k-4 websites?

**BJ** nods to Anne...he's really good at working with at risk kids

AnneMH: yes

**CynthiaH**: our son will love this and plenty others

**BJ:** Christy, the RIF page and the LOC center for the book should have some good K-4 links

**ShereeR**: BINGO, my kids would LOVE this comic site.

BJ nods to Sheree. I'm working on getting Phil to be a guest speaker in TI

**CynthiaH**: boys seem to begin their lit venture with comics, don't they?

**ChristyG**: Thanks BJ

**BJ:** the Letters about literature - A national reading and writing promotion has lower grade categories, Christy

**BJ:** <a href="http://www.loc.gov/loc/cfbook/letters.html">http://www.loc.gov/loc/cfbook/letters.html</a>

**ChristyG**: great! That's exactly what I need!

BJ . o O (lowest is 4, 5, 6)

BJ: National Endowment for the Arts Writing America...

**ShereeR**: Oh not just boys. I have a female student right now who is "publishing" her own little wrinkled, smooshed, pitiful, little comic books. They are wonderful. I was her first customer. I paid .25!

BJ: http://www.arts.gov:591/forms-new/pub/general\_pub.html

**BJ:** here's a lower grade site...

**BJ:** PBS KIDS Share a Story

CynthiaH: that's exactly it! The artistic flare that literally draws them

**BJ:** http://pbskids.org/shareastory/

**BJ:** time for a couple more and then we can open the floor to discussion or questions.

**BJ:** before attending the festival, I didn't even know Pennsylvania had a center for the book!

BJ . o O (I'm in Pennsylvania)

BJ: www.pabook.libraries.psu.edu

ChristyG: BJ I really like that site!

**BJ:** they have some great projects including some wonderful poetry posters

**BJ:** Public Poetry Project

**BJ:** <a href="http://www.pabook.libraries.psu.edu/ppp.html">http://www.pabook.libraries.psu.edu/ppp.html</a>

**BJ:** The last piece I want to share is an opportunity to combine a picture book with a song...

**BJ:** Julie Andrews was a speaker

AnneMH: how was she?

BJ smiles...she was great!!!

**BJ** . o O ( she looks and sounds just like herself

CynthiaH: she has such a flare!

BJ: She introduced a young songwriter, John Bucchino

**BJ:** who wrote the song Grateful

**BJ:** When Julie heard the song, she asked John if she could turn it into a picture book

**ChristyG**: What did he say?

**BJ:** we listened to the song as John showed the lovely book

FrancinaF joined the room.

**BJ:** it's very moving

AnneMH: topic?

**FrancinaF**: Are you guys part of the discussion?

**ChristyG**: What picture book was it?

**ChristyG**: Art and Literacy

**BJ:** the topic is being thankful or grateful for what we have

**BJ** . o O ( the topic of the book Grateful )

**AnneMH**: thank you **ChristyG**: Thank you

RoxannaA: how young was the songwriter?

**CindyL**: Which site has the poetry?

**FrancinaF**: Who is hosting this discussion. Forgive me I just joined.

**BJ:** heck, Roxanna...anyone under 40 is young to me

CynthiaH: Thank you.

RoxannaA: lol. I don't even know what to say to that!

**BJ:** <a href="http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/search-handle-url/index%3Dbooks%26field-keywords%3Dbucchino%26url%3Dindex%3Dbooks%26store-name%3Dbooks/002-0120946-3459212">http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/search-handle-url/index%3Dbooks%26field-keywords%3Dbucchino%26url%3Dindex%3Dbooks%26store-name%3Dbooks/002-0120946-3459212</a>

**BJ:** try that...it's a link to Amazon **CindyL**: Which site has the poetry **ChristyG**: Thank you for the book link.

**FrancinaF**: Has anyone done reader's theater?

CynthiaH: no

**RoxannaA**: I've never heard of it. What is it?

**BJ:** Cindy, look at <a href="http://www.pabook.libraries.psu.edu/ppp.html">http://www.pabook.libraries.psu.edu/ppp.html</a> CindyL: no interested in it, not quite sure how to go about it

**BJ:** There was a whole K-3 Resources discussion on readers theatre

**ChristyG**: Does it work in the classroom?

**BJ** . o O ( look at <u>www.tappedin.org/transcripts</u> for an archived transcript of the readers theatre script )

**FrancinaF**: Yes, simple pieces of core lit is put in to script format for students to perform in class.

FrancinaF: Very user friendly

**ChristyG**: Sounds like the children would enjoy that.

**AnneMH**: ready for questions, BJ?

RoxannaA: sounds interesting.. Thanks for the link BJ

CindyL: Thanks BJ

BJ. o O (there is a K-3 resources discussion on October 28)

**FrancinaF**: They do. They really understand the rolls of the characters as well as increase their confidence speaking in public.

ChristvG: Thank you BJ

CindyL: How often do you do it?

FrancinaF: Not as often as I'd like, however, it is good for teaching ELD.

**ChristyG**: What would be an appropriate grade level to introduce readers corner?

**CynthiaH**: do you script format it or is this provided somewhere?

BJ agrees with Francina

**BJ:** Date: August 12, 2003

**BJ:** Title: K-3+ Resources: Reader's Theater

**BJ:** Moderator: Sue Roseman **AnneMH**: sorry, what is ELD?

FrancinaF: It is provided. English Language Development

BJ . o O ( that was the date and topic for the archived Readers Theatre transcript )

**BJ:** our time is almost up...any last questions? Comments?

**AnneMH**: any resources for secondary school--e.g., Shakespeare?

FrancinaF: Thank you for that info. BJ

**AnneMH**: I have to teach a Shakespeare play soon

**BJ:** several of the sites I showed have 9-12 and above resources, Anne

FrancinaF: How exciting.

AnneMH: great I'll check them out'

ShereeR: BJ, I have to go. I wanted to tell you this was a great session!! You did a

FANTASTIC job!! Thanks!!

BJ: Anne, you might want to get in touch with Curt

**ShereeR** left the room (signed off).

**AnneMH**: who is he?

BJ: He led the Shakespeare Behind Bars discussion

AnneMH: oh, yes

CindyL: Thanks for the great info and discussion BJ

**BJ:** Curt Tofteland < Tofter@aol.com>

RoxannaA: This was my first session and it way exceeded my expectations! Thanks BJ!

You were awesome. I've got to go.

**CynthiaH**: I thoroughly enjoyed this. and will be checking further into these resources.

Thanks! Gotta go.

**FrancinaF**: Thanks everybody.

BJ smiles. Thanks everyone

BJ waves bye

BJ: Anne, Curt wants to start a Shakespeare group here in TI

AnneMH: awesome ChristyG: Bye!!
BJ: bye, Christy

CindyL: Gotta go, Waves and Hugs to BJ, til next time

BJ waves bye to Cindy

**ChristyG**: This was a great discussion! I have some wonderful websites to look at .

Thank you BJ

BJ: You're welcome, Christy