



Writing by Design® lessons incorporate the following recommended picture books, which are available on YouTube.com.

Pre-Kindergarten

The Way I Feel, Janan Cain
Stand Tall, Molly Lou Melon, Patty Lovell
The Very Hungry Caterpillar, Eric Carle
Click, Clack, Moo Cows That Type, Doreen Cronin
The Deep Blue Sea, Audrey Wood
Bear Sees Color, Karma Wilson
Rainbow Stew, Cathryn Falwell
The Best Bug Parade, Holly Keller
The Enormous Potato, Aubrey Davis
You Are Not Small, Anna Kang
Our Skin Can Touch, Jodi Lyn Wheeler-Toppen
Hot and Cold, Ann Corcorane
Hard and Soft, Julie Murray

Kindergarten

Goldilocks and the Three Bears, Candice Ransom
The Three Little Pigs, Patricia Seibert
Little Red Riding Hood, Candice Ransom
Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day, Judith Viorst
The Night Before First Grade, Natasha Wing
Pinkalicious and the Pink Drink, Victoria Kann
Gigggle, Gigggle, Quack, Doreen Cronin
Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type, Doreen Cronin
The Giving Tree, Shel Silverstein

Grade 1

Little Red Hen, Carol Ottolenghi
Sam Tells Stories, Thierry Roberecht
The Rainbow Fish, Marcus Pfister
How to Make an Apple Pie and See the World, Marjorie Priceman
Dear Mr. Blueberry, Simon James

Grade 2

First Grade Stinks!, Mary Ann Rodman
Strega Nona, Tomie de Paola
Dear Mrs. LaRue: Letters from Obedience School, Mark Teague
Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse, Kevin Henkes

Grade 3

When I was Young in the Mountains, Cynthia Rylant
Animals Nobody Loves, Seymour Simon
My Teacher for President, Kay Winters

Grade 4

Up North at the Cabin, Marsha Wilson Chall
My Teacher for President, Kay Winters

Grade 5

Blackberry Stew, Isabell Monk
Earrings!, Judith Viorst
Thundercake, Patricia Polacco

Grade 6

Freedom Summer, Deborah Wiles
The Perfect Pet, Margie Palatini

Grade 7

Crow Call, Lois Lowry
I Wanna Iguana, Karen Kaufman Orloff

Grade 8

Come On, Rain!, Karen Hesse
I Wanna New Room, Karen Kaufman Orloff

Listed by Grade-level and Genre

Recommended for Kindergarten Lessons

- Narrative Shared:** *Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day*, by Judith Viorst
Narrative Guided Writing: *The Night Before First Grade*, by Natasha Wing
Narrative Independent: *Pinkalicious and the Pink Drink*, by Victoria Kann
Summary of Informative Text: (Articles included)
Summary of a Narrative Text Guided Writing: *The Three Little Pigs*, by Patricia Seibert
Summary of a Narrative Text Independent Writing: *Little Red Riding Hood*, by Candice Ransom
Opinion Shared: *Giggle, Giggle, Quack*, by Doreen Cronin
Opinion Guided Writing: *Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type*, by Doreen Cronin
Opinion Independent: *The Giving Tree*, by Shel Silverstein

Recommended for First Grade Lessons

- Summary Narrative:** *Little Red Hen*, by Carol Ottolenghi
Summary Informational: (Articles included)
Narrative Memoir: *Sam Tells Stories*, by Thierry Robberecht
(or any book with a strong “I” narrator)
Opinion: Book: *The Rainbow Fish*, by Marcus Pfister
Opinion: Topic: *Dear Mr. Blueberry*, by Simon James
How-To Book: *How to Make an Apple Pie and See the World*, by Marjorie Priceman

Recommended for Second Grade Lessons

- Summary Narrative:** *Lily’s Purple Plastic Purse*, by Kevin Henkes
Summary Informational: (Articles included)
Narrative Personal: *First Grade Stinks!* by Mary Ann Rodman
Opinion: Book: *Strega Nona*, by Tomie dePaola
Opinion: Topic: *Dear Mrs. LaRue: Letters from Obedience School*, by Mark Teague

Recommended for Third Grade Lessons

- Summary Informational:** (Articles included)
Personal Memoir: *When I was Young in the Mountains*, by Cynthia Rylant
Opinion: Topic: *Animals Nobody Loves*, by Seymour Simon
Opinion: Topic: *My Teacher for President*, by Kay Winters

Recommended for Fourth Grade Lessons

- Summary Informational:** (Articles included)
Personal Memoir: *Up North at the Cabin*, by Marsha Wilson Chall
Opinion: Topic: *My Teacher for President*, by Kay Winters

Recommended for Fifth Grade Lessons

Summary Informational: (Articles included)

Personal Narrative: *Blackberry Stew*, by Isabell Monk
(Book is currently out of print. Please click [here](#) to watch video)

Opinion: Topic: *Earrings!* by Judith Viorst

Recommended for Sixth Grade Lessons

Personal Narrative: *Freedom Summer*, by Deborah Wiles **Argument:** *The Perfect Pet*, by Margie Palatini

Recommended for Seventh Grade Lessons Personal

Narrative: *Crow Call*, by Lois Lowry

Argument: *I Wanna Iguana*, by Karen Kaufman Orloff

Recommended for Eighth Grade Lessons

Personal Narrative: *Come On, Rain!* by Karen Hesse

Argument: *I Wanna New Room*, by Karen Kaufman Orloff