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CONNECTING TOMORROW'S EDUCATORS TODAY

PICTURE BOOK MONTH

Unlock the passion for reading

Some of my fondest memories of growing up are having my parents and grandparents read to me. I remember when I would go to stay at my grandparents' house, my grandma would read to me for what seemed like hours before bed.

I would get to pick out whatever book I wanted and we would laugh and read together. It was the best.

November is Picture Book Month and it is a great reminder for all of us on the power of reading to one another. Reading together forms a connective activity that we should never take for granted.

I am sure looking back you can also remember being read to as a child. What was your favorite book to have read to you?

I have several books that stick out in my mind, but my top favorites that I had my mom read me over and over again every night are Goodnight Moon and The Kissing Hand.

All my best,

Brianna

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MY FAVORITE AUTHORS TO CONNECT WITH

1. Shannon McClintock Miller - @shannonmmiller

It is crazy to think that my most favorite reader has become an author. My mom is, of course, my most favorite author of all! Check out her Library Skills Series [here](#).

2. Suzanne Slade - @AuthorSSlade

Suzanne is the award-winning author of more than 100 children's books! She offers a ton of options to choose from for Picture Book Month. Find her books [here](#).

3. Charles Ghigna - @FatherGooze

Charles Ghigna (also known as Father Goose) is a poet, children's author, and so much more! I love all his catchy books for Cantata Learning. Learn more [here](#).



#PictureBookMonth

@PictureBkMonth

Stay up to date on this international literacy initiative that celebrates the print picture book during the month of November with this hashtag and Twitter profile.

Also, use them when sharing how you and your students are celebrating!

**"THE GREATEST
GIFT IS A PASSION
FOR READING."**

-Elizabeth Hardwick

Featured EdTech Tool

Snapchat



About Snapchat

Snapchat is both a messaging platform and a social network. It is a mobile app you can download to your iPhone or Android smartphone. Users can “chat” by sending them photos, and short videos up to 10 seconds long. Text chats and video calls are two other features that are available.

Using Snapchat With Your Students

BookFace

Picture Book Month is all about celebrating picture books! Each day during the month of November an essay will be posted on Picture Book Month website about the importance of picture books. There is also a theme for each day! Find the calendar [here](#).

To celebrate the different themes I think it would be fun to hold a mini contest each day based on the theme.

Have students find a picture book that goes with the theme of the day. Then have them replace their face with the book cover and snap a cleaver photo using Snapchat. Have students post the photo to their Snapchat Stories so that you and all their classmates can see. Post to your library Snapchat too!

Let me know if you need more help on getting started with Snapchat!



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5 Easy Tips For Starting A Blog



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