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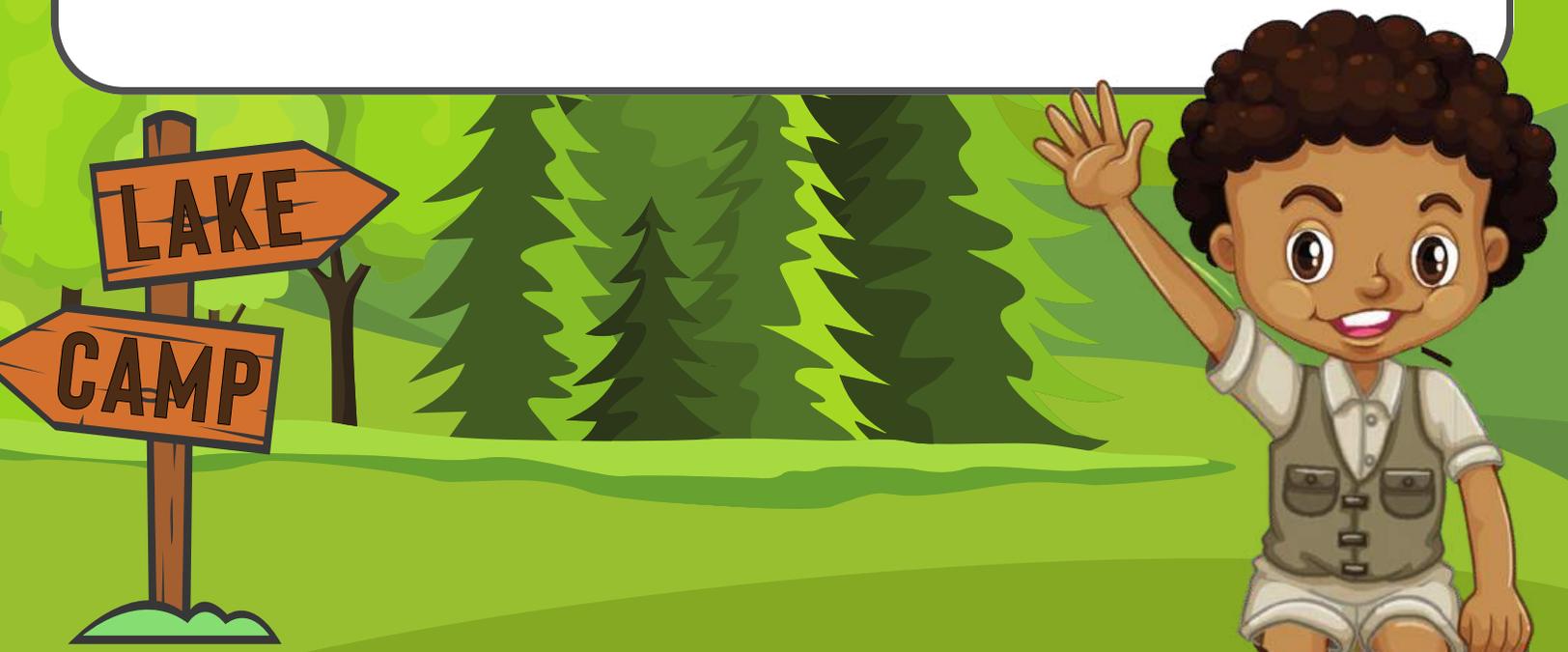
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"Attending The Educator Summit for the first time was an amazing experience! It's a fantastic and affordable conference for teachers. I am grateful for all the hard work you and your coordinators invested in organizing this event and the time the presenters dedicated to preparing their presentations and materials. I eagerly anticipate the next Educator Summit and plan to make it a tradition. Thank you again!"



WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING



"As a busy mom and teacher, attending in-person conferences is not ideal. I am so grateful to watch this amazing professional development from the comfort of my home."



"I've thoroughly enjoyed every available session. The variety was excellent, and there were so many valuable takeaways that I can apply in my classroom. Thank you!"



"I am so impressed by the collection of up-to-date research-based strategies. As a K-5 interventionist, I work with kindergarten to fifth-grade students. This conference makes me feel prepared to help all of my students. Additionally, on a teacher's wage, I can afford this conference."



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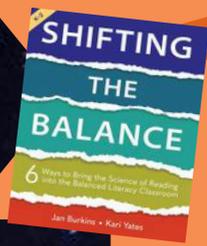
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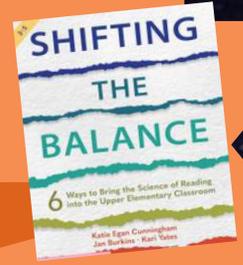
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**THE PERFECT TIME TO
QUIT**

Michael Bonner is a renowned leader, innovator, and performance booster, who is a trailblazer in leadership development and organizational culture. He is a dynamic keynote speaker as seen on The Ellen Show, NBC Nightly News, and Time for Kids and a recent recipient of Atlanta's 40 under 40 awards . He is the CEO of Bonnerville, a business that promotes the value of self-care and a highly respected team member at the famed Ron Clark Academy.

He empowers leaders to build genuine relationships and establish a positive organizational culture, vision and team development. His seminars challenge listeners to reflect, strategize, and execute in order to increase their efficiency in the workplace and personal areas. He empowers listeners to build genuine relationships with their teams and colleagues because "You cannot demand a withdrawal from someone you have never invested in."

Michael Bonner's transformative approach leaves C-suite and nonprofit leaders, educators, and administrators confident and prepared to become world-changing citizens who garner significant impact.

To learn more about Michael Bonner, visit michael-bonner.com and follow him on all social media platforms at [@michaelbonner_](https://www.instagram.com/michaelbonner_).



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KAREEM WEAVER

**The Pivots We Need in
Reading Instruction:
Delving into the 'Why'
and 'What'**

Kareem Weaver, FULCRUM's co-founder and executive director, partners with stakeholders to improve student reading results. He is the Oakland NAACP's 2nd Vice President and Chair of its Education Committee; his advocacy is featured in the upcoming film The Right to Read. Mr. Weaver previously served as New Leaders' Executive Director of the Western Region and was an award-winning teacher and administrator. He has undergraduate degrees from Morehouse College and a master's in clinical-community psychology from the University of South Carolina. Mr. Weaver believes in the potential of all students, the brotherhood of man, and the importance of service above self. His educational heroine for literacy instruction is the late Marva Collins.



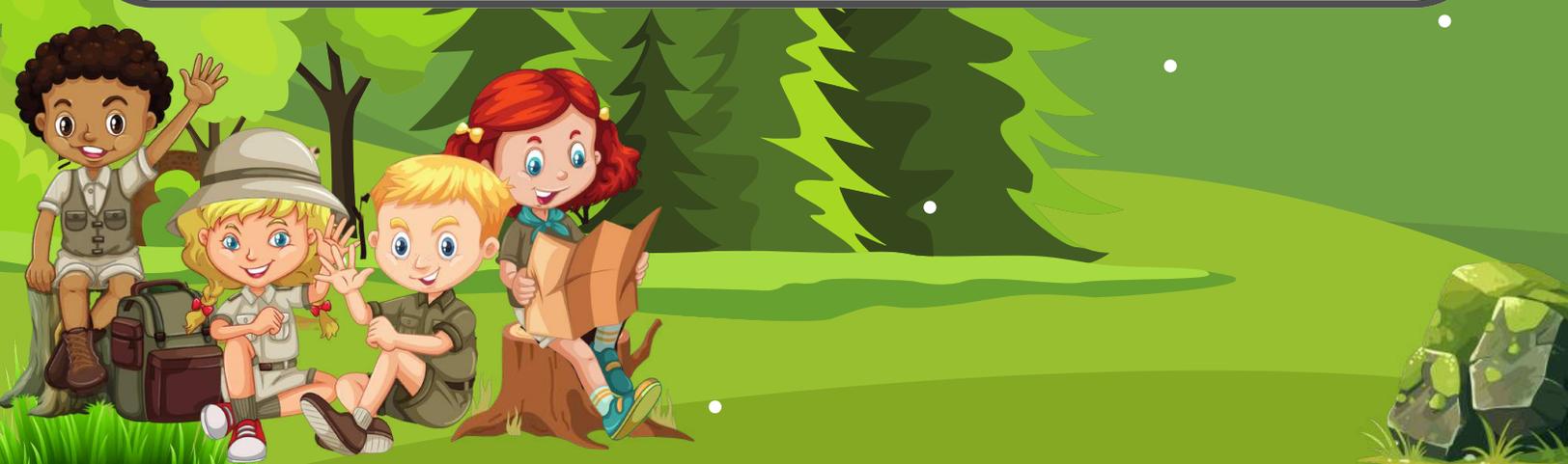
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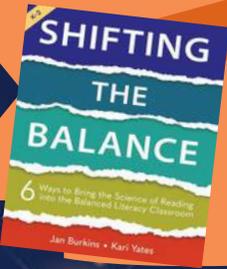


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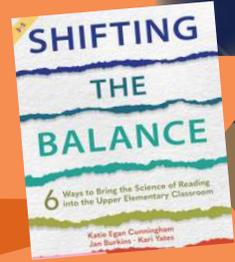
**Using Neuroscience to Deliver
Phonics Faster: Applying the
Science of Reading through
the Brain's Backdoor**

Katie Garner (author of Secret Stories® Cracking the Reading Code with the Brain in Mind) is an international keynote speaker, author, literacy consultant, and teacher with 25 years of classroom experience and a passion for infusing neuroscience into phonics instruction. Her "backdoor to the brain" approach to fast-tracking phonics skills for reading shifts the paradigms associated with the science of reading-based instruction. Katie's fast-paced, dynamic presentations spotlight brain-changing, evidence-based strategies for boosting existing reading and phonics curriculum with the latest neural research showing how our brains learn best. Her practical and proven methods have been the topic of both lecture and panel discussions at Harvard University and MIT and the subject of numerous professional journal articles and publications. Katie's Facebook Group, Science of Reading Meets Science of Learning, is a popular learning hub for over 136K educators worldwide and provides free access to instructional resources in the group files. bit.ly/SoRgroup





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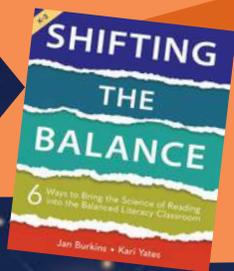


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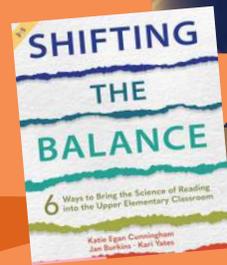
**A Conversation for K-5 Teachers
with Jan Burkins, Kari Yates, and
Katie Egan Cunningham:
Authors of *Shifting the Balance: 6
Ways to Bring the Science of
Reading into the Upper
Elementary Classroom***

Dr. Jan Burkins is a full-time consultant and author of six books for literacy educators. Her latest book, *Shifting the Balance: 6 Ways to Bring the Science of Reading into the Balanced Literacy Classroom*, is co-authored with Kari Yates. With more than 30 years of experience in education, Jan's favorite work is conducting literacy audits, where she works with schools and district leaders to determine their next steps for making learning to read easier for the children they support. Jan is the mother of four sons and lives in Georgia with her husband and youngest son.





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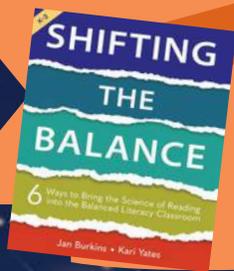


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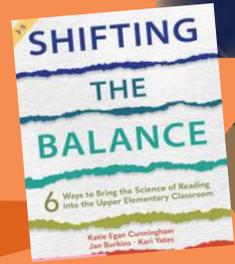
A Conversation for K-5 Teachers with Jan Burkins, Kari Yates, and Katie Egan Cunningham: Authors of Shifting the Balance: 6 Ways to Bring the Science of Reading into the Upper Elementary Classroom

Kari Yates is an author, speaker, and consultant with a passion for helping busy literacy educators thrive. Kari's most recent book, *Shifting the Balance: 6 Ways to Bring the Science of Reading into the Balanced Literacy Classroom* (Stenhouse, 2021), is coauthored with Jan Burkins. Kari has previously written two other books to support literacy educators. With experience as a classroom teacher, special education, Reading Recovery teacher, elementary principal, and district administrator, Kari has the experience and the expertise to help teachers and school leaders shape brighter outcomes for children, one thoughtful next step at a time. Kari has two daughters and four grandchildren and lives on the lake in Minnesota with her husband, John.





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Dr. Katie Egan Cunningham

**A Conversation for K-5 Teachers
with Jan Burkins, Kari Yates, and
Katie Egan Cunningham:
Authors of Shifting the Balance: 6
Ways to Bring the Science of
Reading into the Upper
Elementary Classroom**

Dr. Katie Egan Cunningham has over twenty years of experience as an educator in many different roles to bridge the science of reading with the joy of learning, including classroom teacher, literacy specialist, author, and consultant. She is an Associate Professor of Elementary Education at Sacred Heart University. Katie's most recent book, *Shifting the Balance: 6 Ways to Bring the Science of Reading into the Upper Elementary Classroom* (Stenhouse, 2024), is co-authored with Jan Burkins and Kari Yates. Katie has authored or co-authored four other books to support literacy educators. Katie lives with her husband, Chris, an educator, their two school-aged sons, and Mini Goldendoodle in the woods of Connecticut.



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The Science Box

Pre-K
to 5th

Make science more fun and easier than ever before. Ideas will include how to set up an engaging science experience, experiments that are easy to implement, and explorations of various Science concepts. The session will highlight the 2023 book release, *The Science Box*, by Adam Peterson and Kim Adsit.

Adam Peterson is an award-winning educator from Illinois, best-selling author, and an internationally recognized speaker. After spending more than a decade as a kindergarten teacher, Adam uses his knowledge and talents to inspire, educate, and motivate other teachers to create classrooms that encourage creativity, play, and hands-on learning.

Adam is a TEDx speaker, and his message of making the world a brighter place through his *Be The Yellow* talk and campaign has reached schools around the globe with videos and assemblies for kids. As a believer that family comes first, Adam spends every free second with his beautiful wife, Trisha, their two amazing children, Olivia and Landon, and their dog, Auggie.



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ASHLYN ELLSWORTH

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**Celebrating
Kindness in
Today's Classroom**

**Pre- K
to 5th**

In the stressed-out climate of today's world, it is more important than ever to find ways to teach kindness in today's classroom! Join Ashlyn as she shares uplifting read-alouds, kindness lesson ideas, and classroom tips to start the school year off right by building a strong classroom community.

Ashlyn Ellsworth is an educational speaker and content creator from Delaware. Ashlyn taught for 16 years in the primary grade levels and has been passionate about teaching since she was a young child. In 2012, Ashlyn started The Creative Classroom, making resources for her classroom. After years of hard work building her brand, she has become a best-selling teacher author, and educational speaker. Ashlyn became an adoptive mom in 2022 when she brought home her son Brighton, who is now her and her husband's whole world. Ashlyn believes in sharing all sides of her teacher, entrepreneur, and mom life for her teacher followers to connect with in some way. If you ask Ashlyn what she enjoys most about her work, she gets to meet and connect with educators worldwide and help teachers create their creative classrooms.

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JACKIE POWELL

From Ms. Powells Owls



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**More Than Sand:
Multisensory
Strategies to
Strengthen Your
Reading Instruction**

**Pre- K
to 5th**

We've all used sand to incorporate multisensory into our lessons, but there are more ways. Multisensory is a great way to reach ALL readers, not just the youngest readers. In this session, you will learn different strategies and materials to incorporate multisensory into your reading groups.

Jackie Powell has over 25 years of experience as an educator in grades K-3. She earned her Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from Western Kentucky University. She has also earned her Masters and Ed.S. in Curriculum and Instruction from Middle Tennessee State University. Jackie currently serves as a K-5 reading interventionist in middle Tennessee. She is passionate about creating positive classroom experiences and school culture. She has been a presenter for The Educator Summit for the last three years. You can reach her at mspowellsowls44@gmail.com or on Twitter and Instagram @MsPowellsOwls.



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JENNY LAROCQUE

From Jenny LaRocque A Kinder World



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Exploring Our
Beautiful World
Diverse Through
Books

Pre- K
to 5th

Jenny will discuss how to make your reading lessons more engaging. She will talk about the power of representation in the books we read to our students and how, through books, we can help to create a kinder world. You will leave with lesson ideas to implement the next day to make your reading lessons more impactful and engaging.

Jenny is a 14th-year kindergarten teacher and a mom of two. She is passionate about incorporating diverse books and an inclusive curriculum in her classroom. She started the social media movement #allarewelcomeinmyclassroom. Jenny has spoken nationwide about implementing culturally responsive teaching and other related early childhood education topics. You can follow her on Instagram @heyjennylarocque or Tik Tok @a_kinder_world. Her mission is for all students to feel loved, seen, and welcome into their learning environment.



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LEANNA
WOLKIS-GOLDSTEIN

From Wolkis Wonderland •



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Mindful Teaching:
Nurturing Resilient
Classrooms

Pre- K
to 5th

Embark on a transformative journey as we dive into the art of mindfulness. Let LeAnna show you some practical techniques, tailored exercises, and proven strategies to integrate mindfulness seamlessly into your teaching approach. Join us to discover how mindfulness can enhance your well-being as an educator and create a more peaceful, productive, and resilient learning space for your students. This class equips you with the skills to foster the emotional well-being of your students. It empowers you to create a harmonious and focused classroom where students thrive academically and emotionally.

LeAnna Wolkis Goldstein is an energetic and passionate Kindergarten Teacher from Arizona with over 25 years of teaching experience. She earned her Bachelor's degree from Arizona State University, a Master's Degree from NAU, an Early Childhood Endorsement, and achieved the rigorous advanced credentials of National Board Certification. While teaching in her award-winning classroom, The "Wolkis Wonderland," she designs mini hands-on center-based stations that are brought to life with novel realia. As a Nationally Recognized Presenter, LeAnna empowers educators to create cooperative learning environments utilizing music, movement & manipulatives that foster 100% student engagement. Watch how she promotes exploration and encourages her Classroom Family to develop their imagination by following along inside LeAnna's magical experiences on Instagram: @wolkiswonderland Twitter: @WolkisWonders TikTok: @wolkiswonderland Website: Wolkis Wonders.

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KIRSTEN TULSIAN

From Kirsten's Kaboodle



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Kirsten Tulsian

**Nervous System
Regulation: 10 Quick
and Easy Tips for
Students**

**Pre- K
to 5th**

This session outlines information about the nervous system and briefly describes the brain science related to regulation. The bulk of the presentation, though, will provide viewers with ten easy tips to teach and practice with students so they can learn how to regulate their nervous systems. Each tip is something that can be done quickly and easily anywhere in the classroom. They can also be used as quick brain breaks between lessons or during transition times.

Kirsten Tulsian earned a BA in Elementary Education and Psychology from The University of Iowa and a MEd in School Counseling from Sam Houston State University. She worked in every elementary level in various capacities over the course of 18 years including school counselor, homeroom teacher, ESL pullout, and Reading Recovery (in Texas and Utah). Most recently, she followed a passion to learn more about states of consciousness and completed two hypnosis certification programs. She believes that students are most primed for learning when they are armed with tools to regulate their own nervous systems.

She is the owner of Kirsten's Kaboodle, where she creates resources for educators. She also recently launched a new website selling Self-Love Licenses (aka Inner Child IDs) online. Kirsten lives in Salt Lake City with her husband, two teenagers, doodles, and parrots. She likes to try new vegan recipes, hike, play games with her family, and read in her free time.



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RACHEL GLASSMAN

From Engaging Early Learners



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**Supporting Special
Needs Students in
Your Classroom**

**Pre- K
to 5th**

In this session, I will give you ALL my tips for teaching & supporting ALL students in your classroom. I will walk you through the many strategies I have developed from teaching in a self-contained preschool classroom and my second-grade inclusion classroom. These strategies have been proven to work for me so that they could work, in some form, for you!

My name is Rachel Glassman, and I am the face behind Engaging Early Learners. I just completed my 7th year teaching special education. I have taught in a PreK self-contained classroom and a 2nd-grade inclusion classroom. Throughout my years of teaching, and especially with my preschool self-contained experience, I have become very passionate about teaching ALL students in every classroom! I hope that you find my presentation helpful.



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Google Slides
for Educators

Pre-K
to 5th

Are you looking to create professional looking and engaging Google Slides for the classroom and for your students? This session will be tailored for teachers looking to jazz up their Google Slides lessons and presentations. Upon completion of this session, teachers will be able to create their own Google Slide resources tailored to their specific subject area/classroom needs. Examples, tutorials, free templates/resources, and shortcuts will be shared to help teachers create engaging and visually appealing slides/educational resources. Basic knowledge of Google Slides and Google Drive is suggested.

Erica Bohrer Blasi is a 22-year veteran classroom teacher. Her teaching certification includes PreK through 6th grades and English at the secondary level. She has spent the majority of her teaching career teaching first grade and is currently teaching first grade in a New York State public school. Erica is the author of two Scholastic Teacher Resource Books: Just Right Reading Response Activities for Young Learners and 20 Super Spelling Centers. She is also the author of the blog Erica's Ed-Ventures. Erica resides on Long Island, NY, with her husband, two stepsons, and their dog and cat.

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KELSEY SORENSON

From Wife Teacher Mommy



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Wife Teacher Mommy by Kelsey

A 3-Step Framework to Revitalize Your Teaching, Renew Your Spirit, and Reignite Your Passion For Life

**Pre- K
to 5th**

Teacher burnout is at an all-time high as educators leave the profession in droves. Ever since the pandemic, the gaps that were already present in education are widening, substitute shortages are preventing many educators from taking much-needed days off, and the demands on teachers have been rising. Does this mean that teachers have the choice between loathing their lives or leaving their once-loved profession? Not necessarily. Despite the odds, there are teachers who are thriving in their roles as educators, but the playbook has changed. Now more than ever, teachers need to know how to advocate for themselves and ensure their own needs are met before they can meet the ever changing needs of their students. In this session, certified life coach Kelsey Sorenson will teach her 3 step signature framework to thrive inside and outside of the classroom. After watching this session, you will be armed with a wide variety of tools to help you reframe your mindset, connect with your body's needs, regulate your nervous system, make decisions intentionally, and set boundaries.

Kelsey Sorenson is a former third grade teacher and substitute teacher. She is now a homeschool mom and a certified life coach who is working on her first book (tentatively titled "Educate & Rejuvenate") with TeacherGoals Publishing. Her company, Wife Teacher Mommy has been featured on We are Teachers, Teachers pay Teachers, Show Up For Teachers Conference, Teach Your Heart Out, and The Deseret News. Kelsey and her team have helped hundreds of thousands of educators cut down planning time and balance the many roles in their lives with her teacher life coaching program Wife Teacher Mommy Club, time-saving resources, Wife Teacher Mommy: The Podcast, and her FREE mindset Masterclasses. Kelsey is a huge "Swiftie" and can always be found listening to a Taylor Swift song with a Coke Zero in hand (that is, if she's not listening to her favorite podcast or an audiobook!)

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LINDA KENNGOTT

From Coffee Fueled Teacher



@CoffeeFueledClassroom

**Work-Life Balance:
Work Efficiently to
Enjoy Life Beyond the
Classroom**

**Pre- K
to 5th**

In this session you will learn the systems and processes I use during the school day to work and plan effectively during my contract hours. This workshop will help you discover strategies and methods to streamline your workflow and improve productivity. Learn how to fulfill your teaching responsibilities efficiently during the school day so you can enjoy life beyond the classroom!

Linda Kenngott is a 1st grade teacher and Teacher-Resource Creator from New York. With over 20 years of classroom experience in Pre-K through 5th grade, a Bachelor's Degree in General Education, and Special Education, and a Master's Degree in Literacy, Linda started Coffee Fueled Classroom to share resources for busy K-2 teachers to make their lives easier! She is passionate about working efficiently during school hours to be able to live a fun, fulfilling life beyond her classroom walls! Linda lives on Long Island with her husband and son. When she's not working you can catch her hiking, traveling, or checking out a new art exhibit! Connect with Linda on instagram @CoffeeFueledClassroom for more.

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BETHANY HUMPHREY

From Teaching and so Fourth



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Teaching and so Fourth

Engagement Through Music

1st to
5th

School bell rings! Door shuts! Immediate focus and attention...if only it were that easy. Want your kids engaged? Envision a classroom that is student led, structured, and productive. Are you hooked yet? Well so are the students. Listen and interact as Bethany Humphrey, Teaching and so Fourth, tells all on engagement and musical strategies within the classroom.

Bethany Humphrey, an accomplished educator with 13 years of teaching experience, currently teaching 3rd-grade students in Nashville, TN, after having taught across the United States from kindergarten through 6th grade. Recognized nationally for her expertise in using music to enhance classroom engagement, Bethany creatively breaks the mold of traditional instruction. Through her social media channels, Teaching and So Fourth, she shares valuable insights and resources, inspiring teachers to create dynamic learning environments. Passionate about making a positive and lasting impact in education, Bethany continues to empower educators to embrace innovative teaching methods.





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**Science of Reading
Aligned Small
Groups from Start to
Finish**

**Pre- K
to 1st**



Phonological awareness, phonics, decoding... oh my! How do we manage all the foundational literacy skills our students need to become skilled readers? Join Bryce as he takes you step-by-step through a small group literacy lesson and shares his top strategies for helping students progress and master each of the skills needed to grow into independent readers. From planning to prep to delivery, let's demystify small group literacy that is aligned with the Science of Reading and make it the favorite time of the day for you and your students!

A current classroom teacher of 10 years, Bryce Sizemore has worked in K-2 classrooms creating joyful and impactful learning experiences for his students. He lives in Dallas, TX where he also attended Southern Methodist University to earn his Master of Education degree. He works with teachers across the country to empower them to maximize their efficiency, create hands-on learning experiences, and keep the fun alive in teaching. He enjoys sharing ready-to-use ideas and strategies with teachers across the globe through his website www.theteachingtexan.com and on social media @theteachingtexan

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**Take Two! Let's Plan
Two Dramatic Play
Transformations for
Your Classroom**

**Pre-K
& K**

Play is powerful! Get ready to transform the dramatic play center and pack learning into their play in an intentional, manageable way. Jackie will walk you through how to plan, step by step, two different dramatic play transformations, streamlining the planning process into easy-to-implement pieces for you to take back to the classroom and replicate in your planning process. She will model how to integrate social skills, literacy, math, science, and fine motor standards into their play, build their background knowledge and vocabulary, and create dramatic play props using simple materials you likely have in your supply closet for those two theme transformations. We'll dive into specific strategies and techniques to increase student engagement and increase expected student behaviors. Get off to a great start with two unit plans done for you so you can create intentional dramatic play centers that will increase student learning and engagement all year long!

Jackie is an enthusiastic preschool teacher with over fourteen years of classroom teaching experience in both full-day and half-day settings. She is from Missouri where she earned a Masters and Bachelors in Early Childhood and Elementary Education from Maryville University. Her goal is to help you unleash your teaching superpowers! Jackie's passion is to inspire you with play-based activities, themed centers, and supports that nurture and challenge little learners in a caring classroom community. In addition to teaching, she is the teacher-author and CEO behind Pocket of Preschool (www.pocketofpreschool.com) and loves to share her passion with other educators.

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JAMIE WHITE

From Play to Learn Preschool



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Picture Perfect: Read-Aloud Strategies to Boost Listening Comprehension

**Pre-K
& K**

Explore the power of read-aloud strategies to increase comprehension. During the workshop, we will practice various no-prep and low-prep strategies that teachers can use before, during, and after reading. We will talk about how to incorporate these techniques effectively into story time regardless of the book—anytime, anywhere reading strategies that any teacher can use!

Jamie is a veteran early childhood educator with a dedication to emergent literacy, child-centered learning, process art, and most importantly—play! She is committed to crafting impactful and enriching preschool experiences for both virtual and in-person learners. She is the founder, CEO, and Lead Teacher of Play to Learn Preschool, located in Northern Virginia. In addition to working as a classroom teacher, she inspires other early childhood educators online and through professional development workshops. Jamie holds bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education and a master's degree in Reading Education from the University of Virginia.



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**Dollar Tree DIY: For
Hands on Math and
Literacy Fun**

**Pre-K
& K**

Need easy-to-create ideas to incorporate in your math and literacy centers on a teacher's budget? Let's use what you probably already have in your classroom with a few things from the dollar store. Turn your literacy and math activities into hands-on fun that meets your standards and keeps your students interested.

Keri works as an interventionist for grades K-2 in Alabama. She's taught both kindergarten and 1st grade her entire teaching career. She's all about mixing hands-on activities and meaningful tech use into her lessons. Thriving to be a lifelong learner, she is always on the lookout for fresh ways to engage her students and help fellow teachers. She shares her teaching ideas and what she's learned along the way through her platform, Enchanted Kinder Garden.

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MARSHA MCGUIRE

From Differ Kinder

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 A Differentiated Kindergarten

**Sensational
Sensory FUN!!**

**Pre-K
to 1st**

It's time to bring sensory play back into the classroom. In this session, discover practical strategies to seamlessly integrate sensory activities into your curriculum while meeting standards. From captivating sensory tables to hands-on bins, explore innovative ideas that will not only engage your students but also impress administrators. Learn time-saving techniques, DIY secrets, and differentiated approaches that will ignite learning. Join Marsha and transform your classroom into a vibrant space where education meets creativity!

Marsha McGuire is a seasoned kindergarten instructor hailing from Cadillac, Michigan. With over 18 years of experience working with young children, she has a master's degree in early childhood education with a specialization in Differentiated Instruction. In addition to her role as a classroom educator, Marsha is also the creator of A Differentiated Kindergarten blog. Her platform serves as a space for sharing innovative ideas, activities, and resources with other early childhood educators. She is a national presenter, offering practical and developmentally appropriate instructional strategies to enhance learning in classrooms across the country.



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Morning Magic:
Making Arrival the
Best Part of the Day

Pre-K
to 2nd

This session will include: * Importance of a positive start to the day for students * Activities to get students excited about arriving at school * Morning tub ideas and options * Tips and ideas to make mornings less stressful * Resources for organization and routines that help students

Emily is currently a student teaching supervisor and graduate instructor at St. Francis University in Pennsylvania, where she teaches courses in Early Childhood Education. She uses her 12 years of teaching experience in an inclusive first grade classroom to help fellow educators to create a learning environment that meets the needs of every student. Emily specializes in engaging instruction and classroom management! She utilizes her professional knowledge to create amazing classroom resources that are used in over 120 countries around the world! You can find her Polka Dots Please resources on PolkaDotsPlease.com, Teachers Pay Teachers, and social media. Emily believes that every child and every teacher deserve a happy classroom!



WITH SESSIONS BY

KATIE MENSE

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**I'm Done with
Centers...Now
What?!**

**Pre-K
to 2nd**

Having trouble keeping your students busy for the full 45 minutes of center time? Does your classroom get a little rowdy and chaotic with early finishers who don't have anything to do? Katie gives you lots of ideas, tips and resources to use to keep your kids actively engaged for the entire time! Learn how to make the activities meaningful and manage them so that students don't choose the same activity every day.

Katie Blue-Mense is a children's author, a nationally recognized speaker, and an energetic Kindergarten teacher in Southern Illinois with more than 20 years of classroom experience and over 2 decades in education. She has a passion for creating fun, hands-on lessons and activities designed to meet the needs of all students. As a student who struggled through school, she truly understands that every student has different needs and learning styles. Katie is a McKendree University graduate, earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Education and later, a Master of Arts degree in education. Katie is a boy mom and loves to spend time in the great outdoors with her 3 sons, Brody, Grady, and Finn. She loves to share her ideas and teaching experiences on her award-winning blog, "KatieBlueEdu."

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WITH SESSIONS BY

LINDSAY KLASSEN

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Setting Up a Sound Wall

Pre-K
to 2nd

In this session Lindsay will give educators fun and engaging tools, strategies and resources to teach letter sounds proficiently through the means of a sound wall. Together you will dive into the benefits of a sound wall and how to implement one in your own classroom. Whether you have experience with a Sound Wall or none at all, this session is for you!

Lindsay is an Early Years Literacy Specialist, internationally recognized speaker and founder of Literacy & Lindsay. She has spent the past 15 years teaching Kindergarten and now uses her knowledge and passion of Structured Literacy, to inspire, educate and motivate others to make reading meaningful, fun and backed by research! When she is not working, she enjoys spending intentional time with her son and husband, outside or going for long runs (to help clear her mind that never stops). Join her passionate and high energy session for engaging strategies that you will be eager to use right away in your classroom or connect with her on social media for all things literacy using the handle @literacyandlindsay.



WITH SESSIONS BY

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**Decoding Dyslexia:
Empowering Struggling
Readers Through Research-
Informed Strategies**

**Pre-K
to 3rd**

In today's classrooms, we welcome a diverse range of learners, some of whom encounter challenges in reading, including those affected by dyslexia. This session is crafted specifically to equip educators with practical tools and strategies to effectively support these students. Dive into understanding dyslexia, learn to spot the early signs of struggling readers, and discover evidence-based instructional methods. By the end of this session, you'll leave armed with actionable techniques rooted in research, ready to positively impact the literacy journey of every student in your classroom.

Melanie Brethour is a full-time resource teacher from Montreal, Quebec, Canada. She is a passionate advocate for dyslexia awareness and the science of reading. Her commitment to this cause was ignited by her son Benjamin's dyslexia diagnosis at the age of 9, which fueled her personal mission to understand dyslexia and provide support for her son and her students. Motivated by her son's journey, Melanie embarked on extensive research and pursued various training opportunities. She achieved associate-level certification in Orton-Gillingham, became a CERI structured literacy classroom teacher, and was honored as the Nessy Dyslexia Aware teacher of the year in 2023. Melanie regularly delivers presentations on dyslexia and the science of reading, sharing her knowledge with colleagues, teachers, and parents. Driven by her desire to assist others facing similar challenges, Melanie founded Decoding Dyslexia Quebec, a grassroots movement dedicated to raising awareness and offering support. Additionally, she launched Soar With Dyslexia on social media, providing valuable resources and information to teachers and parents navigating the complexities of dyslexia and the science of reading. Melanie also volunteers for Dyslexia Canada, extending her support to parents during their often-difficult journey. Furthermore, she serves as a board member of Teachers For Reading Canada, an organization that offers free Orton-Gillingham training to Canadian teachers.

WITH SESSIONS BY

KIMBERLY JORDANO

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**Let's Stream-Line
Your Literacy
Centers!**

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Do you sometimes feel overwhelmed trying to keep your Kindergarteners engaged without constantly running to their assistance? Kimberly will show you how she sets up her classroom for her literacy centers. Everything from organizational tips, and easy to prep hands on activities that promote confidence and independence with your little learners. Kimberly will share lots of easy to implement activities for letters, sounds and sight words that will help your children with phonemic awareness, letter-sound recognition and sight words. All these activities are child tested to be engaging and standards based! Most importantly they will enable you to pull children for small group instruction!

Kimberly Jordano has incorporated over 35 years of teaching experience into her kindergarten classroom. A master teacher and language-arts mentor in the Los Alamitos School District in California. Kimberly holds a master's degree in English as a Second Language (ESL). Kimberly is a full-time kindergarten teacher in Los Alamitos California. Kimberly is a national teacher presenter and content creator.

You can find her posts daily on both Instagram and her Facebook pages Kinderbykim. You can find all of her creative teacher resource materials on [Teacherspayteachers.com/kinderbykim](https://www.teacherspayteachers.com/user/kinderbykim) and on Hey, Teach! [@schoolgirlstyle.com](https://www.schoolgirlstyle.com) Kimberly's goal is to keep the JOY in kindergarten while teaching the standards in a meaningful child centered way!



WITH SESSIONS BY

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**SOAR with
HFW (Sight)
Words**

**K &
1st**

Replenish your supply of fresh, new ideas for HFW (sight) word games and activities kids LOVE to play! Let's dive into what are sight words and High-frequency words, as well as what the Science of Reading research is telling us. Learning to read words has never been so much fun! Mary sends you home with kid-tested and teacher-approved sight word games to try tomorrow. This session includes a digital make-and-take download.

Mary is an enthusiastic and passionate Kindergarten teacher from Georgia with 19 years of experience. She holds a Master's Degree in Early Childhood Education and an Educational Specialist Degree in Instructional Technology. In addition to teaching full-time, Mary finds joy in presenting to educators across the country for more than 15 years. She loves sharing engaging ideas, hands-on activities, and rigorous content that has worked with her kindergartners through her website, <https://sharingkindergarten.com/>

Mary is committed to instilling passion in teachers because she believes passion is the secret to increasing learning and achievement.

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**Bridging the Gap:
Evidence-Based
Strategies for
Struggling Readers**

**K to
2nd**

Discover proven interventions and targeted support strategies designed to unlock the literacy potential of struggling readers in K-2. These strategies are aligned with the science of reading principles to improve literacy outcomes. Join Angela as she explains practical methods that actually work to bridge the gap.

Angela Griffith has been an educator in Alabama for the past 16 years. In the early days of her teaching career, Angela quickly realized that she wasn't equipped to teach literacy effectively! So she dived into the research, earning her Master's and Ed.S degrees in Elementary Education, and has spent the last several years honing those skills and refining her teaching practice.

Angela is passionate about providing positive literacy experiences for each and every student and loves to empower other teachers to do the same! You can find her on every platform at The Daily Alphabet.



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**Improving Student
Learning & Engagement
through Active
Instructional Practices**

**K to
2nd**

Instructional minutes are precious. How can we make every minute count for every child, every day? Research has shown that when teachers increase the opportunities for students to respond throughout lessons actively, there are many positive benefits for students and teachers. During this session, attendees will learn low-prep, high-outcome interactive strategies that can be easily incorporated into any lesson and proven to increase academic engagement, decrease disruptive behavior, and provide students with additional opportunities to practice academic skills, yielding increases in academic achievement.

Christina Winter, a former balanced literacy teacher of 21 years, is now obsessed with learning about and advocating for structured literacy. Christina has completed hundreds of hours of literacy coursework and training including LETRS and The Reading Teacher's Top Ten Tools. She is also an active member of The Reading Science Academy. This year Christina is celebrating a decade of supporting early K-2 teachers by empowering them to lead in their school communities. At her home website, Mrs. Winter's Bliss, she provides teachers with the knowledge of evidence-based literacy instruction through professional development, online communities, and effective and engaging literacy resources that benefit ALL of their students. In addition, Christina is the founder of the Leaders of Literacy membership, where members receive continuous support to ensure their small groups and literacy centers are a productive environment for both teachers and students. Finally, you can find Christina as one of the partners at Unlocking SoR which has already brought the science of reading research and evidence-based strategies to over 10,000 conference attendees.



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DEEDEE WILLS

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**Math Fun! 5 Ways
to Bring Hands-on
Learning to Math
Practice**

**K to
2nd**

Worksheets... They are everywhere in the math world, but what if I told you there was an easier and more effective way to turn those worksheets skills into hands-on learning that sticks! Let me show you 5 activities your students will beg to do that strengthens math skills and they can last you all year!

Deedee is an experienced teacher, literacy coach, educational consultant, and international presenter with a deep background in early childhood education with over 20 years of classroom experience. Her sessions are a great way to tap into her creative, fresh ideas for creating a classroom where every kindergartener has fun and succeeds.

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HILARY STATUM

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Simple Science

**K to
2nd**

Ready to experiment, explode, and explore with your students? In this fun hands-on session, you'll go through the scientific steps to begin an investigation of your own! Return to your classroom with 10 low- prep, high engagement experiments to complete with your kids. Discover ways to teach problem solving and critical thinking skills. Hilary will also share favorite science books, perfect standard pairings, and research tips for your little mad scientists!

Hilary Statum is a teacher in Middle Tennessee with over 15 years of experience at the school she attended. She has experience teaching kindergarten, first, transitional-first, second, fourth, fifth graders and even ESL! She is the published author of two books, *Solar System for Kids* and *Kindergarten Activity Book: Unicorns*, and the face behind *Pencils to Pigtails*, a blog for parents and teachers. She holds a Master's Degree in Instructional Leadership and enjoys coordinating and teaching her school district's free parent English class. Hilary is passionate about inspiring teachers and sharing research-based literacy practices at conferences and when providing professional development for schools around the country.



WITH SESSIONS BY

SUSAN JONES

From Susan Jones Teaching



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**Math Routines to
Keep Your Students
Reviewing!**

**K to
2nd**

In this session, you will learn some easy-to-implement math routines you can use on a daily or weekly basis to help your students master skills like counting, addition, subtraction and so much more!

Susan is a current first-grade teacher in Massachusetts. She has her Ed.M. in Curriculum and Instruction from Boston University and is both LETRS and OG trained. Her passion is sharing research-based tips and activities for K-2 teachers, which she does weekly on her YouTube channel (Susan Jones Teaching). Susan loves teaching reading, writing, and math and is constantly looking for the best ways to effectively teach a skill and increase student engagement simultaneously!



WITH SESSIONS BY

STEPHANIE STEWART

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**Road to
Decode**

**K to
2nd**

Explore strategies to enhance decoding skills in our primary readers - with the Science of Reading at the forefront! We will look at what the research tells us about how students learn to decode and how to best help them become strong decoders. Join Stephanie as she shares how to engage students in the power of decodable text and practical word work strategies!

Stephanie is an experienced teacher and national presenter with a strong foundation in primary education & literacy. She is passionate about creating high-interest learning experiences and is always looking for new ways to put a creative twist on the standards.

Stephanie loves working with educators around the country presenting meaningful professional development and creating curriculum resources. At home she is a wife and mama living with her family in Northern Colorado. She is the author and creator of the blog, *Falling Into First* where she loves connecting with teachers and sharing her favorite classroom ideas, activities and resources.

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Teaching with Lindsay Kemeny



Making Reading Fluency Your Next Move

1st to 5th

Many teachers are great at teaching phonics, but they may not give students enough practice opportunities to transfer those skills into reading connected text. Focusing on rate is a common practice, but reading fluency goes beyond that. Additionally, with so many students not reading at benchmark, it can be challenging to meet the needs of all learners. So how can we include meaningful fluency practice in our classrooms? What can we do in the primary grades as well as in the upper elementary grades to develop reading fluency? Join us as classroom teacher and author, Lindsay Kemeny, shares tips, ideas, and specific protocols for practicing fluency in your classroom.

Lindsay Kemeny is a seasoned elementary-school teacher who is currently teaching first grade. After her son was diagnosed with dyslexia and depression, she began her deep dive into effective literacy instruction. She is a CERI certified Structured Literacy Classroom Teacher and holds a master's degree in Curriculum and Instruction. In addition to being a classroom teacher, Lindsay has served as a teacher mentor and reading interventionist. She enjoys presenting locally and nationally, and co-hosting the Literacy Talks podcast. She is the author of the book, 7 Mighty Moves: Research-Backed, Classroom-Tested Strategies to Ensure K-3 Reading Success. Her articles have appeared in The Reading League Journal and IDA Perspectives.

WITH SESSIONS BY

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**Regrouping Made Easy:
4 Strategies to Teach
Addition with
Regrouping**

**2nd &
3rd**

It's no secret that addition with regrouping is one of the toughest math concepts to teach in 2nd grade. Students need a solid foundation and understanding of place value skills in order to comprehend this concept. Without a strong concept of place value, regrouping will be difficult for them. In this session, Marcy will show you four strategies for teaching addition with regrouping following the CPA (concrete - pictorial - abstract) approach for teaching math. You'll walk away with helpful tips and strategies that you can start implementing right away.

Marcy is currently a 2nd grade teacher in Oklahoma and the creator behind SaddleUpFor2ndGrade.com. Through her teaching resources and professional development, she's been able to serve thousands of teachers worldwide with her programs. Marcy prides herself on being able to deliver resources to truly make your life easier.



WITH SESSIONS BY

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**Unlocking
Comprehension with
Best Practices Aligned
to the Science of
Reading**

**2nd to
5th**

Want to learn exactly how you can help develop strong reading comprehension using best practices that align with the Science of Reading? This is the spot! Teaching reading doesn't end with phonics and cracking the code. In this session geared toward 2nd-5th grade teachers, we will explore the role of content knowledge and how it applies to reading comprehension. We will look closely at how skill-based reading groups can target instruction directly to students where they need it most. You will leave this session with specific plans for how you can make every reading comprehension lesson **DIRECT, EXPLICIT, and dramatically more EFFECTIVE!**

Alyssa Swanson is a reading teacher and traveler at heart. She has spent most of her teaching career abroad, teaching in international schools (Spain, France, and the Netherlands). She is now back in the good 'ol USA, helping teachers figure out how to make reading instruction simple and fantastically effective.



WITH SESSIONS BY

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**3 Little-Known Secrets
to Easily Transform
Your Students into
Thriving & Excited
Writers**

**2nd to
5th**

Do your students groan when you announce that it's time for writing? Maybe you groan a little inwardly, too. In this session, I'm sharing the 3 simple strategies that will turn you into a confident writing teacher and have your students begging for more writing time!

Jamie Sears is a wife, mom of 6, former 3rd grade teacher, and the author of *How to Love Teaching Again*. After several years in the classroom, her passion to make learning fun & effective for students and teachers alike inspired her to start the Not So Wimpy Teacher. Now she has the honor of serving hundreds of thousands of teachers around the world by providing easy-to-use, hands-on resources and engaging professional development that help students to love learning and teachers to love teaching.

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WITH SESSIONS BY

JESSICA IVEY-SMITH

From Ideas by Jivey



**2nd to
5th**

**Grammar
Application in
Writing**

Stop pulling out your hair when students don't apply what you've taught in grammar to their writing! Check out these easy ways to teach grammar in context as well as weave the grammar skills naturally into writing time.

Jessica is passionate about making literacy accessible for all students using research-based strategies. Students learn best through content integration and in-context skills, and her goal is to help you deliver your instruction with these best practices! She has earned her Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education, a Master of Education degree with a Reading Endorsement, and a Specialist degree in Teacher Leadership and considers herself a lifelong learner. With classroom teaching experience in 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grades, as well as over a decade delivering professional development, she prides herself in sharing practical and easy-to-implement tips and resources that truly transform traditional teaching methods into fresh, integrated practices.

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Social Emotional Workshop

2nd to
4th

Building Your Students' Self Regulation Skills

Being in control of your feelings and behavior is a can't-live-without skill for anyone, especially your students. In this workshop, we will explore a range of age-appropriate self-regulation strategies to help students independently handle their feelings and make good choices. Attendees will learn research-based strategies such as deep breathing, labeling, self talk, and goal setting. You will leave ready to help students build their strategy toolbox!

Laura Driscoll is an experienced school psychologist and curriculum developer dedicated to making social-emotional learning a natural and positive addition to any classroom. Over at Social Emotional Workshop, she shares her two decades of experience through articles and resources focused on practical ways to build those SEL skills. Join her idea-packed session and come away with new strategies you can use tomorrow. If you are ever in New York City, you can find Laura wandering the busy streets with her daughter and husband.



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Rebekah Poe Teaching

2nd to
5th

Differentiation, Accommodation, and Modification- Oh My!

Join Rebekah Poe for an enlightening professional development session tailored for educators seeking to deepen their understanding of special education practices. In this session, we delve into the nuanced disparities between differentiation, accommodations, and modifications, and how each strategy caters to diverse learners. Discover practical techniques to tailor instruction through differentiation, providing varied pathways for students to grasp content. Unpack the subtleties of accommodations, honing skills to offer necessary support without altering learning expectations. Gain insights into modifications, learning how to adapt curriculum content, methodology, or assessment to meet individual student needs. Elevate your teaching arsenal and empower every student through this comprehensive exploration of special education methodologies.

Rebekah Poe, M. Ed. is an award-winning former special education teacher and a national teaching conference presenter with over a decade of experience in the special education field. As an education consultant, Rebekah focuses on providing teachers with the training necessary to offer equitable education and establish connections to students of all ability levels in an inclusive setting. When she's not working with educators, she can be found at the closest coffee shop with a piping hot latte and a good book! Connect with her on social media at @rebekahpoeteaching



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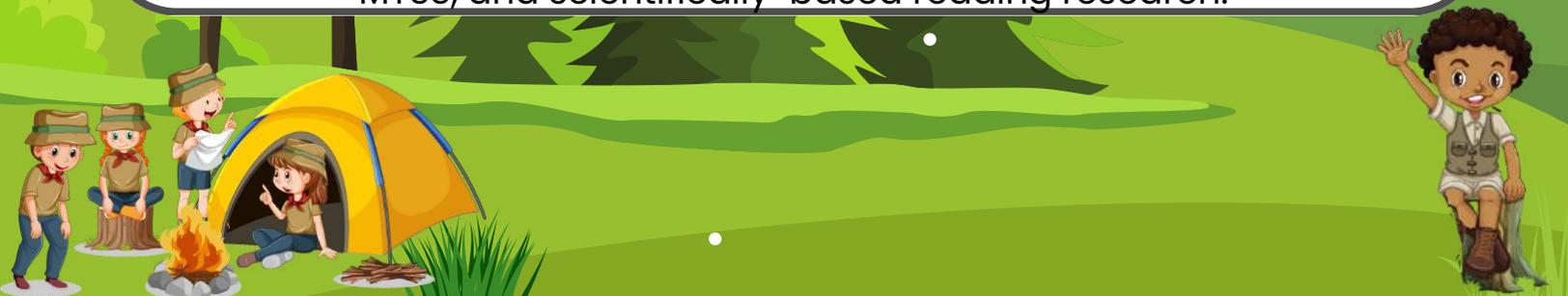
AMANDA NICKERSON

**Unleashing Literacy
Potential: Implementing
the Science of Reading in
the Intermediate Grades**

**3rd -
5th**

In this session, educators will delve into the practical strategies for implementing the Science of Reading (SoR) within the literacy block for 3rd through 5th grade students. Grounded in evidence-based practices, the Science of Reading emphasizes explicit, systematic, and multimodal instruction to develop proficient readers. This session aims to equip teachers with the knowledge and tools necessary to foster strong literacy skills among intermediate-grade students.

Amanda Nickerson is a literacy technical assistance specialist from Ohio. Her primary aim is to provide technical support and deliver ongoing professional development on how to diagnose, prevent, and remediate reading difficulties through culturally responsive and evidence-based reading instruction and intervention. In addition to consulting, Amanda has previous experience working as a literacy consultant, teacher, interventionist, peer coach, and as an adjunct instructor. She is a doctoral candidate at Mount St. Joseph University who holds a Masters degree in Literacy Curriculum and Instruction, a BA in Early Childhood Education, a K-12 reading endorsement, and a K-12 gifted specialist endorsement. Her research interests coalesce around the intersection of gifted education, MTSS, and scientifically-based reading research.



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Teaching with Lindsay Kemeny



Making Reading Fluency Your Next Move

1st to 5th

Many teachers are great at teaching phonics, but they may not give students enough practice opportunities to transfer those skills into reading connected text. Focusing on rate is a common practice, but reading fluency goes beyond that. Additionally, with so many students not reading at benchmark, it can be challenging to meet the needs of all learners. So how can we include meaningful fluency practice in our classrooms? What can we do in the primary grades as well as in the upper elementary grades to develop reading fluency? Join us as classroom teacher and author, Lindsay Kemeny, shares tips, ideas, and specific protocols for practicing fluency in your classroom.

Lindsay Kemeny is a seasoned elementary-school teacher who is currently teaching first grade. After her son was diagnosed with dyslexia and depression, she began her deep dive into effective literacy instruction. She is a CERI certified Structured Literacy Classroom Teacher and holds a master's degree in Curriculum and Instruction. In addition to being a classroom teacher, Lindsay has served as a teacher mentor and reading interventionist. She enjoys presenting locally and nationally, and co-hosting the Literacy Talks podcast. She is the author of the book, 7 Mighty Moves: Research-Backed, Classroom-Tested Strategies to Ensure K-3 Reading Success. Her articles have appeared in The Reading League Journal and IDA Perspectives.

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**Regrouping Made Easy:
4 Strategies to Teach
Addition with
Regrouping**

**2nd &
3rd**

It's no secret that addition with regrouping is one of the toughest math concepts to teach in 2nd grade. Students need a solid foundation and understanding of place value skills in order to comprehend this concept. Without a strong concept of place value, regrouping will be difficult for them. In this session, Marcy will show you four strategies for teaching addition with regrouping following the CPA (concrete - pictorial - abstract) approach for teaching math. You'll walk away with helpful tips and strategies that you can start implementing right away.

Marcy is currently a 2nd grade teacher in Oklahoma and the creator behind SaddleUpFor2ndGrade.com. Through her teaching resources and professional development, she's been able to serve thousands of teachers worldwide with her programs. Marcy prides herself on being able to deliver resources to truly make your life easier.



WITH SESSIONS BY

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**Unlocking
Comprehension with
Best Practices Aligned
to the Science of
Reading**

**2nd to
5th**

Want to learn exactly how you can help develop strong reading comprehension using best practices that align with the Science of Reading? This is the spot! Teaching reading doesn't end with phonics and cracking the code. In this session geared toward 2nd-5th grade teachers, we will explore the role of content knowledge and how it applies to reading comprehension. We will look closely at how skill-based reading groups can target instruction directly to students where they need it most. You will leave this session with specific plans for how you can make every reading comprehension lesson **DIRECT, EXPLICIT, and dramatically more EFFECTIVE!**

Alyssa Swanson is a reading teacher and traveler at heart. She has spent most of her teaching career abroad, teaching in international schools (Spain, France, and the Netherlands). She is now back in the good 'ol USA, helping teachers figure out how to make reading instruction simple and fantastically effective.



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**3 Little-Known Secrets
to Easily Transform
Your Students into
Thriving & Excited
Writers**

**2nd to
5th**

Do your students groan when you announce that it's time for writing? Maybe you groan a little inwardly, too. In this session, I'm sharing the 3 simple strategies that will turn you into a confident writing teacher and have your students begging for more writing time!

Jamie Sears is a wife, mom of 6, former 3rd grade teacher, and the author of *How to Love Teaching Again*. After several years in the classroom, her passion to make learning fun & effective for students and teachers alike inspired her to start the Not So Wimpy Teacher. Now she has the honor of serving hundreds of thousands of teachers around the world by providing easy-to-use, hands-on resources and engaging professional development that help students to love learning and teachers to love teaching.

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**2nd to
5th**

**Grammar
Application in
Writing**

Stop pulling out your hair when students don't apply what you've taught in grammar to their writing! Check out these easy ways to teach grammar in context as well as weave the grammar skills naturally into writing time.

Jessica is passionate about making literacy accessible for all students using research-based strategies. Students learn best through content integration and in-context skills, and her goal is to help you deliver your instruction with these best practices! She has earned her Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education, a Master of Education degree with a Reading Endorsement, and a Specialist degree in Teacher Leadership and considers herself a lifelong learner. With classroom teaching experience in 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grades, as well as over a decade delivering professional development, she prides herself in sharing practical and easy-to-implement tips and resources that truly transform traditional teaching methods into fresh, integrated practices.

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**3rd to
5th**

**No Frills 3-2-1
Reading
Strategy**

The No Frills 3-2-1 Reading Strategy is a structured and efficient method designed to amplify reading engagement, deepen comprehension, and promote active learning among students. This approach offers a clear framework, encapsulated in its name: 3-2-1, where each digit represents a specific action to be taken by the reader.

Joe Camputaro is the Founder and CEO of No Frills Teaching, LLC, with over 19 years of experience in education. He received the prestigious Golden Apple Award in 2021 from the Foundation for Lee County Public Schools, Inc., and was a finalist for the 2024 Nearpod Educator of the Year Award, recognized as a Community Connector. Joe is committed to providing high-quality education and support to diverse students and families, specializing in effective teaching strategies, curriculum development, and assessments aligned with state standards. He focuses on improving reading comprehension and academic proficiency through his No Frills 3-2-1 Reading Strategy, and supports teachers to deliver meaningful writing instruction and feedback with his ChatGPT B.E.ST. Writing Rubric Sessions. Joe has extensive experience presenting to teachers across the state of Florida, both in-person and virtually, sharing his expertise and best practices. In addition, Joe is the host of The No-Frills Teacher Podcast, where he provides valuable insights and interviews with educators. Alongside supporting educators, Joe values collaboration, creativity, diversity, and lifelong learning. Joe's mission is to inspire and empower students and educators to achieve their academic and personal goals, fostering a positive and inclusive learning environment. He lives by the motto "Keep it simple. Do it well. Be consistent."

WITH SESSIONS BY

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Social Emotional Workshop

2nd to
4th

Building Your Students' Self Regulation Skills

Being in control of your feelings and behavior is a can't-live-without skill for anyone, especially your students. In this workshop, we will explore a range of age-appropriate self-regulation strategies to help students independently handle their feelings and make good choices. Attendees will learn research-based strategies such as deep breathing, labeling, self talk, and goal setting. You will leave ready to help students build their strategy toolbox!

Laura Driscoll is an experienced school psychologist and curriculum developer dedicated to making social-emotional learning a natural and positive addition to any classroom. Over at Social Emotional Workshop, she shares her two decades of experience through articles and resources focused on practical ways to build those SEL skills. Join her idea-packed session and come away with new strategies you can use tomorrow. If you are ever in New York City, you can find Laura wandering the busy streets with her daughter and husband.



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REBEKAH POE

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Rebekah Poe Teaching

2nd to
5th

Differentiation, Accommodation, and Modification- Oh My!

Join Rebekah Poe for an enlightening professional development session tailored for educators seeking to deepen their understanding of special education practices. In this session, we delve into the nuanced disparities between differentiation, accommodations, and modifications, and how each strategy caters to diverse learners. Discover practical techniques to tailor instruction through differentiation, providing varied pathways for students to grasp content. Unpack the subtleties of accommodations, honing skills to offer necessary support without altering learning expectations. Gain insights into modifications, learning how to adapt curriculum content, methodology, or assessment to meet individual student needs. Elevate your teaching arsenal and empower every student through this comprehensive exploration of special education methodologies.

Rebekah Poe, M. Ed. is an award-winning former special education teacher and a national teaching conference presenter with over a decade of experience in the special education field. As an education consultant, Rebekah focuses on providing teachers with the training necessary to offer equitable education and establish connections to students of all ability levels in an inclusive setting. When she's not working with educators, she can be found at the closest coffee shop with a piping hot latte and a good book! Connect with her on social media at @rebekahpoeteaching

WITH SESSIONS BY

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**Simple
Differentiation
Strategies for
Writing**

**3rd to
5th**

In this session, April will show you how to make simple adjustments to any writing lesson, ensuring it caters to the unique needs of students across various levels and academic needs. You'll discover practical approaches to implement supports that empower your students to engage in independent writing, fostering confidence and skill development. By the end of the session, attendees will leave armed with a straightforward plan to effectively differentiate writing instruction for all students, including your ELL and special education students. This session promises to equip educators with the tools needed to create an inclusive and supportive writing environment for every learner.

April Smith began teaching in a rural school in 2008. Today, she works as an instructional coach and curriculum designer, dedicated to empowering educators with the resources they need to better support their students. April has trained over 50,000 teachers, working closely with school leaders across the country through her research-based writing curriculum, Simplify Writing®. Her most recent book, "Simplify Your Writing Instruction", helps teachers focus on the core foundations of quality writing instruction.



WITH SESSIONS BY

CASSI NOACK

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Minds in Bloom for Educators

3rd to
5th



Learning in the Fast (or Slow!) Lane: Facilitating Self-Guided Math Adventures

This session focuses on creating self-paced, independent learning pathways that empower students to master math skills at their own speed. We'll cover the development of engaging, standards-based activities, integrating various teaching tools, and strategies to foster student autonomy. You'll gain insights into facilitating a classroom environment where students confidently navigate their learning journey, while teachers effectively support and guide this personalized educational experience.

Cassi Noack, co-owner of Minds in Bloom, Inc, is an innovative educator with a love for teaching and technology. As an accomplished upper elementary teacher, math instructional specialist, and holding a master's degree in educational leadership, Cassi has not only enriched her students' lives but has also enjoyed sharing her knowledge and insights with fellow teachers.

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From Kesler Science



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Kesler Science

3rd to
5th

Incorporating Awesome Phenomena Into Your Science Lessons

Phenomenon - it's an exciting idea to incorporate into your science lessons, but how do you make real-life connections in a meaningful way? The right phenomena can be hard to find, hard to demonstrate, and hard to incorporate into a productive learning experience. In this practical session, Chris Kesler from Kesler Science will share amazingly useful strategies you can use to easily bring the the power of phenomena into your classroom.

Chris Kesler is a former award-winning middle school science teacher. When he started teaching, he was underwhelmed by the lack of meaningful resources and overwhelmed by the small amount of time he had to create experiences for his students. He spent thousands of hours of his own time creating lessons, all designed from the ground up with four non-negotiables in mind: Experiences have to be engaging. Lessons have to build relationships. Activities need to be student-centered and allow for student choice. Students need to connect their learning to the real-world. With these principles in place, the transformation that happened in his class was nothing short of spectacular. He noticed an increase in participation and engagement throughout the year. His test scores improved. More importantly, students made connections to the content, which built their confidence and gave them a sense of responsibility for their learning. Chris eventually stepped out of the classroom to focus on helping other teachers feel less stressed and more confident in their day-to-day teaching. He created Kesler Science LLC, and today his materials have been used by tens of thousands of teachers across the country and around the world.

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**3rd to
5th**

Setting up Your Reading and Writing Notebooks

This will be a very practical, hands-on session, where I will walk teachers through how I set up readers and writers notebooks for the year. I'll explain the theory and rationale behind each notebook section. I'll also share mini lessons and anchor charts for how I introduce the notebooks to students at the beginning of the year. Teachers will leave the session with a clear cut plan for setting up and implementing readers and writers notebooks.

Jen Bengel is an educator and curriculum developer. She is the owner of Out of This World Literacy. Jen has a post-graduate degree in Literacy Education. She specializes in designing reading and writing opportunities for upper elementary and middle school students who are reading below grade level and need literacy support with books that are not babyish, yet provide comprehensive reading practice for students to be successful and gain their reading confidence.



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Fourth Grade Studio

**Ways to Infuse the
Math Practice
Standards into Your
Instruction**

**3rd to
5th**

I believe teachers need to be mindful of both their **CONTENT** standards and the math practice standards when planning their lessons and units. This session will give teachers tangible ways to plan with the practice standards in mind.

Meg is a veteran classroom teacher with more than 30 years of teaching experience in grades 2 to 6. She has her masters degree in curriculum and instruction and an administrative license as well. Her passion is helping teachers and students find the joy in teaching and using creative and innovative research-based strategies to reach every learner. Her blog and curriculum resources are designed to make teaching easier, more meaningful, and more powerful for teachers. She makes her home in Wisconsin with her husband Jim and her two cats, Milo and Ruby. She has two adult sons, one who lives in St. Louis and works as a data scientist. Her younger son has severe special needs and lives in a group home close to her so she can visit daily.



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Teaching Resources
by Shelley Gray

**3rd to
5th**



Multiplicative Reasoning Strategies

Develop techniques to sharpen students' mental math skills and build confidence. We'll delve into methods like number talks and number strings, that will lay the foundation for a deeper understanding of mathematical concepts. Leave with practical ideas that make mental math a seamless part of your day.

Shelley is passionate about empowering teachers to make math relevant, meaningful, and fun and helping students develop a deep understanding and love for learning. She shares ideas and resources on her website, shelleygrayteaching.com.

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3rd to
5th

Using Science Choice
Boards to Demonstrate
Understanding of Lesson

Are you tired of lessons seeming so stiff and page-to-page reading with little student understanding shown? It's time to showcase what students know and pass them the baton of excitement. This session will show how using choice boards for any science lesson taught can be quick and simple, not time-consuming, but beneficial for student learning. Discover how to save time planning, educating, and exploring with your students while having fun.

Hey y'all! My name is Rachel, and I am the creator and author at Fifth is my Jam! I have a strong passion for Science and Math. I have been lucky to teach Science without restrictions freely, and it has been a blast. I also developed a unique and simple curriculum for my fifth graders to use while I am teaching to make learning quite a bit more engaging and hands-on. I love having fun and showing my students that learning can be exciting. I love engaging my students in activities and lessons that make them explore the unknown, as well as ask so many questions they will never give up. I have learned that students benefit from what focuses on their direct learning needs, whether it's visual, auditory, or kinesthetic. I genuinely believe Science should be taught and used daily in all schools. My motto as a teacher is to make each day count - not just the ones that seem 'important'.

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