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*Reading Response Activities with  
Graphic Organizers* Vintage

"Make reading response fun and meaningful with 15 booklets full of creative writing prompts to use with any book! You'll find eight booklets to use with works of fiction and seven for nonfiction. Booklets feature fun shapes

and other unique formats to make each writing experience engaging and memorable. Kids explore character, setting, conflict and resolution, main idea and details, and much more. A great addition to any independent reading program."--P [4] of cover.

**The Paint Brush Kid** Heinemann  
Educational Books

A classic tale by Newbery Medalist Kate DiCamillo, America's beloved storyteller. One summer's day, ten-year-old India

Opal Buloni goes down to the local supermarket for some groceries – and comes home with a dog. But Winn-Dixie is no ordinary dog. It’s because of Winn-Dixie that Opal begins to make friends. And it’s because of Winn-Dixie that she finally dares to ask her father about her mother, who left when Opal was three. In fact, as Opal admits, just about everything that happens that summer is because of Winn-Dixie. Featuring a new cover illustration by E. B. Lewis and an excerpt of Kate DiCamillo’s newest novel, *Raymie Nightingale*.

**Mudshark** Teaching Resources

A potato and his eggplant nemesis struggle to find the perfect pants in this hilarious, heartwarming tale of forgiveness by bestselling Geisel-Award winning creator Laurie Keller. Potato is

excited because today—for one day only— Lance Vance’s Fancy Pants Store is selling . . . POTATO PANTS! Potato rushes over early, but just as he’s about to walk in, something makes him stop. What could it be? Find out in this one-of-a-kind story about misunderstandings and forgiveness, and—of course—Potato Pants! A Christy Ottaviano Book This title has Common Core connections.

*Esperanza Rising* (Scholastic Gold)

Teaching Resources

Feisty Lulu sets out to make some dough in this illustrated chapter book with “plenty of appeal” (Kirkus Reviews) from children’s book legends Judith Viorst and Lane Smith. The stubbornly hilarious Lulu has decided it’s time to buckle down and earn some cash. How else can she save up enough money to buy the

very special thing that she is ALWAYS and FOREVER going to want? After some failed attempts at lucrative gigs (baking cookies, spying, reading to old people), dog walking seems like a sensible choice. But Brutus, Pookie, and Cordelia are not interested in making the job easy, and the infuriatingly helpful neighborhood goody-goody, Fleischman, has Lulu at the end of her rope. And with three wild dogs at the other end, Lulu's patience is severely tested. Will she ever make a friend—or the money she needs? In this standalone sequel to *Lulu and the Brontosaurus*, children's book legends Judith Viorst and Lane Smith once again prove that even the loudest, rudest, and most obstinate of girls can win us over. *Independent Reading Response Booklets*  
Random House Books for Young Readers

In *Reading in the Wild*, reading expert Donalyn Miller continues the conversation that began in her bestselling book, *The Book Whisperer*. While *The Book Whisperer* revealed the secrets of getting students to love reading, *Reading in the Wild*, written with reading teacher Susan Kelley, describes how to truly instill lifelong "wild" reading habits in our students. Based, in part, on survey responses from adult readers as well as students, *Reading in the Wild* offers solid advice and strategies on how to develop, encourage, and assess five key reading habits that cultivate a lifelong love of reading. Also included are strategies, lesson plans, management tools, and comprehensive lists of recommended books. Copublished with Editorial Projects in Education,

publisher of Education Week and Teacher magazine, *Reading in the Wild* is packed with ideas for helping students build capacity for a lifetime of "wild" reading. "When the thrill of choice reading starts to fade, it's time to grab *Reading in the Wild*. This treasure trove of resources and management techniques will enhance and improve existing classroom systems and structures." —Cris Tovani, secondary teacher, Cherry Creek School District, Colorado, consultant, and author of *Do I Really Have to Teach Reading?* "With *Reading in the Wild*, Donalyn Miller gives educators another important book. She reminds us that creating lifelong readers goes far beyond the first step of putting good books into kids' hands." —Franki Sibberson, third-grade teacher, Dublin

City Schools, Dublin, Ohio, and author of *Beyond Leveled Books* "Reading in the Wild, along with the now legendary *The Book Whisperer*, constitutes the complete guide to creating a stimulating literature program that also gets students excited about pleasure reading, the kind of reading that best prepares students for understanding demanding academic texts. In other words, Donalyn Miller has solved one of the central problems in language education." —Stephen Krashen, professor emeritus, University of Southern California

**Touching Spirit Bear** Harper Collins  
Use reader response strategies to help students build understanding of complex literary and informational text, and provide supporting evidence in their

writing—all goals of the Common Core.  
80+ Comprehension-Boosting  
Reproducibles That Provide Just-Right  
Activities for Readers at Every Level  
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A young girl contrasts the exciting things she might someday do, like digging for dinosaur bones and swimming with dolphins, with her present-day activities of finding loose change in the sofa cushions and feeding her goldfish.

**The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time** Scholastic Inc.

Told in letters, poems, text messages, news stories, and comics--a series of documents Nora collects for the Wolf Creek Community Time Capsule Project--Breakout is a thrilling story that will leave readers thinking about who's really welcome in the places we call home.

Nora Tucker is looking forward to summer vacation in Wolf Creek--two months of swimming, popsicles, and brushing up on her journalism skills for the school paper. But when two inmates break out of the town's maximum security prison, everything changes. Doors are locked, helicopters fly over the woods, and police patrol the school grounds. Worst of all, everyone is on edge, and fear brings out the worst in some people Nora has known her whole life. Even if the inmates are caught, she worries that home might never feel the same. A Mighty Girl Best Book of the Year

Ghost Boys Dial Books

Presents strategies for getting students to read, and offers advice on building a school culture around a love of reading,

helping students deepen their understanding of what they read, and balancing independent reading and text study.

**Reading in the Wild** Harper Collins

From first-time novelist Jordan Sonnenblick, a brave and beautiful story that will make readers laugh and break their hearts at the same time. Thirteen-year-old Steven has a totally normal life: he plays drums in the All-Star Jazz band, has a crush on the hottest girl in the school, and is constantly annoyed by his five-year-old brother, Jeffrey. But when Jeffrey is diagnosed with leukemia, Steven's world is turned upside down. He is forced to deal with his brother's illness and his parents' attempts to keep the family in one piece. Salted with humor and peppered with devastating realities,

DRUMS, GIRLS, AND DANGEROUS PIE is a heartwarming journey through a year in the life of a family in crisis.

*A Guide to Advancing Thinking Through Writing in All Subjects and Grades*

Teaching Resources

"Engage students with this collection of creative reading response graphic organizers for both fiction and nonfiction"--P. [4] of cover.

**Instant Independent Reading**

**Response Activities** Carson-Dellosa Publishing

Contains tiered reading-response sheets enabling teachers to match the right activity to their students' reading level.

**60 Reproducible Activity Pages That Promote Higher-Order Thinking**

**Skills and Spark Creativity** Penguin Presents a multifaceted model of



understanding, which is based on the premise that people can demonstrate understanding in a variety of ways.

The Perfect Jack-O'-Lantern Teaching Resources

Uncle Pancho is about to lose his house. Gregory and his friends love Uncle Pancho. When he begins to tell the story of his life, Gregory has an idea. He will paint the story of Uncle Pancho's life and maybe the painting will help save the house.

Stone Fox Wendy Lamb Books

“An intense snapshot of the chain reaction caused by pulling a trigger.”  
—Booklist (starred review)

“Astonishing.” —Kirkus Reviews (starred review)  
“A tour de force.” —Publishers Weekly (starred review)  
A Newbery Honor Book  
A Coretta Scott King Honor

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A Time Best YA Book of All Time (2021)  
A Los Angeles Times Book Prize Winner for Young Adult Literature  
Longlisted for the National Book Award for Young People's Literature  
Winner of the Walter Dean Myers Award  
An Edgar Award Winner for Best Young Adult Fiction  
Parents' Choice Gold Award Winner  
An Entertainment Weekly Best YA Book of 2017  
A Vulture Best YA Book of 2017  
A BuzzFeed Best YA Book of 2017  
An ode to Put the Damn Guns Down, this is New York Times bestselling author Jason Reynolds's electrifying novel that takes place in sixty potent seconds—the time it takes a kid to decide whether or not he's going to murder the guy who killed his brother.  
A cannon. A strap. A piece. A biscuit. A burner. A heater. A chopper. A gat. A

hammer A tool for RULE Or, you can call it a gun. That's what fifteen-year-old Will has shoved in the back waistband of his jeans. See, his brother Shawn was just murdered. And Will knows the rules. No crying. No snitching. Revenge. That's where Will's now heading, with that gun shoved in the back waistband of his jeans, the gun that was his brother's gun. He gets on the elevator, seventh floor, stoked. He knows who he's after. Or does he? As the elevator stops on the sixth floor, on comes Buck. Buck, Will finds out, is who gave Shawn the gun before Will took the gun. Buck tells Will to check that the gun is even loaded. And that's when Will sees that one bullet is missing. And the only one who could have fired Shawn's gun was Shawn. Huh. Will didn't know that Shawn had ever

actually USED his gun. Bigger huh. BUCK IS DEAD. But Buck's in the elevator? Just as Will's trying to think this through, the door to the next floor opens. A teenage girl gets on, waves away the smoke from Dead Buck's cigarette. Will doesn't know her, but she knew him. Knew. When they were eight. And stray bullets had cut through the playground, and Will had tried to cover her, but she was hit anyway, and so what she wants to know, on that fifth floor elevator stop, is, what if Will, Will with the gun shoved in the back waistband of his jeans, MISSES. And so it goes, the whole long way down, as the elevator stops on each floor, and at each stop someone connected to his brother gets on to give Will a piece to a bigger story than the one he thinks he knows. A story that might never know an

END...if Will gets off that elevator. Told in short, fierce staccato narrative verse, *Long Way Down* is a fast and furious, dazzlingly brilliant look at teenage gun violence, as could only be told by Jason Reynolds.

*Drums, Girls, and Dangerous Pie*

Bloomsbury Publishing USA

John Reynolds Gardiner's classic action-packed adventure story about a thrilling dogsled race has captivated readers for more than thirty years. Based on a Rocky Mountain legend, Stone Fox tells the story of Little Willy, who lives with his grandfather in Wyoming. When Grandfather falls ill, he is no longer able to work the farm, which is in danger of foreclosure. Little Willy is determined to win the National Dogsled Race—the prize money would save the farm and his

grandfather. But he isn't the only one who desperately wants to win. Willy and his brave dog Searchlight must face off against experienced racers, including a Native American man named Stone Fox, who has never lost a race. Exciting and heartwarming, this novel has sold millions of copies and was named a New York Times Outstanding Children's Book.

**Breakout** Harper Collins

In his Nautilus Award-winning classic *Touching Spirit Bear*, author Ben Mikaelson delivers a powerful coming-of-age story of a boy who must overcome the effects that violence has had on his life. After severely injuring Peter Driscall in an empty parking lot, mischief-maker Cole Matthews is in major trouble. But instead of jail time, Cole is given another option: attend Circle Justice, an

alternative program that sends juvenile offenders to a remote Alaskan Island to focus on changing their ways. Desperate to avoid prison, Cole fakes humility and agrees to go. While there, Cole is mauled by a mysterious white bear and left for dead. Thoughts of his abusive parents, helpless Peter, and his own anger cause him to examine his actions and seek redemption—from the spirit bear that attacked him, from his victims, and, most importantly, from himself. Ben Mikaelson paints a vivid picture of a juvenile offender, examining the roots of his anger without absolving him of responsibility for his actions, and questioning a society in which angry people make victims of their peers and communities. *Touching Spirit Bear* is a poignant testimonial to the power of a

pain that can destroy, or lead to healing. A strong choice for independent reading, sharing in the classroom, homeschooling, and book groups.

*Saving Shiloh* HarperCollins

A heartbreaking and powerful story about a black boy killed by a police officer, drawing connections through history, from award-winning author Jewell Parker Rhodes. Only the living can make the world better. Live and make it better. Twelve-year-old Jerome is shot by a police officer who mistakes his toy gun for a real threat. As a ghost, he observes the devastation that's been unleashed on his family and community in the wake of what they see as an unjust and brutal killing. Soon Jerome meets another ghost: Emmett Till, a boy from a very different time but similar circumstances.

Emmett helps Jerome process what has happened, on a journey towards recognizing how historical racism may have led to the events that ended his life. Jerome also meets Sarah, the daughter of the police officer, who grapples with her father's actions. Once again Jewell Parker Rhodes deftly weaves historical and socio-political layers into a gripping and poignant story about how children and families face the complexities of today's world, and how one boy grows to understand American blackness in the aftermath of his own death.

Diary of a Worm: Teacher's Pet Simon and Schuster

The adventures of a little boy in the city on a very snowy day. On board pages.  
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Comprehension Harper Collins

A bestselling modern classic—both poignant and funny—about a boy with autism who sets out to solve the murder of a neighbor's dog and discovers unexpected truths about himself and the world. Nominated as one of America's best-loved novels by PBS's The Great American Read Christopher John Francis Boone knows all the countries of the world and their capitals and every prime number up to 7,057. He relates well to animals but has no understanding of human emotions. He cannot stand to be touched. And he detests the color yellow. This improbable story of Christopher's quest to investigate the suspicious death of a neighborhood dog makes for one of the most captivating, unusual, and widely heralded novels in

recent years.

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