

Using *You Can Write a Story!* across the curriculum

Art:

- Make puppets based on students' characters
- Draw illustrations to go along with student stories

Science:

- Do factual reports about animals and then use those animals as the characters in fictional stories
- Incorporate science fair projects into stories
- Write historical fiction that features famous scientists

Social studies:

- Do factual reports about geographic locations and use them as the settings for fictional stories
- Research authentic details about clothing, homes, transportation, etc. to use for descriptive details in historical fiction

Values education

- Discuss how characters in stories make mistakes and struggle with the consequences
- Write stories that tackle a specific theme such as "bullying" or "dealing with difficult change"

Physical education:

- Demonstrate the kinds of movements animal characters would make

Computer:

- Practice keyboarding skills by typing stories
- Create PowerPoint presentations featuring stories

Public speaking/theater arts:

- Read stories out loud to another classroom or to parents during a special presentation
- Create a short play based on a student story

Reading:

- Practice reading skills by sharing stories with a kindergarten class or one-on-one with a special kindergarten buddy
- Model stories on favorite books