

## Have You Ever Used Wordless Picture Books to Teach Writing?

We have quite a few **wordless picture books** which would make excellent writing lesson hooks and activities! The illustrations are so powerful that they lend themselves to having the students write the story text. Consider having several students write their own text for the same wordless picture book- then compare their stories and refine them. Just ask and we'll check some out for you to use!



## READ ACROSS AMERICA IS COMING!

Next Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, is Read Across America Day! I am so excited to see how this year's plan works for everyone involved. Your Media Center Grade Level Rep should have filled you in on all the details by now- we'll be having a cross grade level experience Book Buddy Style! I also sent an email this week to explain the details.

3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade classes have been matched with the younger grades and will read Dr. Seuss and other picture books to them for about 30 minutes at a time that works for both classes.



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Spotlight on a fantastic resource:

**TumbleBooks**

It seems that this treasure of a resource is often overlooked. Please consider having your students access it, not just for the picture books, but also for its many other categories- **math stories, chapter books, non-fiction books, and more:**



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## E-Lerner Books

Remember those interactive e-books I asked everyone to try out? Well, based upon your feedback, I've purchased **10 titles** which are now located in **MackinVia E-Books:**

Exploring Seeds, Exploring Roots, Exploring Stems, Exploring Flowers, Exploring Leaves, Exploring Day and Night, Let's Look at Bats, Investigating Heat, From Egg to Butterfly, and Investigating Light.

They are ours and have multi-user licenses so all can access them simultaneously!

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