

Book & Build Lessons: 100 Great Children's Books to Use With Makerspace Activities (Grades K-6)



A Unique One-Day Live Online Seminar Presented by

Tricia Kuon

Award-Winning School Librarian and National Presenter

Specifically Designed for School Librarians, Public Librarians, Media Specialists, Library Aides, Resource Teachers, Classroom Teachers, and Administrators Serving Grades K-6

Increase student engagement in books and learning in your library or classroom through meaningful makerspace activities paired with awesome children's books

Discover the Book & Build process through hands-on experience ... new titles added every year!

Strengthen essential 21st Century Learning Skills

Receive an extensive digital resource handbook filled with ideas designed specifically for combining amazing children's books with makerspace activities designed to meet the needs of your school or community

LIVE ONLINE SEMINARS

January 27

9 AM Eastern, 8 AM Central,
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9 AM Central, 8 AM Mountain,
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and take the seminar online at
your convenience (see page 6)

*"Love the variety of
books and activities!"*

— JENNIFER HESS, EDUCATOR

Ten Key Benefits of Attending

'Excellent! I have so many ideas to share with my students now!'

– ANDREA KARTTUNEN,
SPECIALS TEACHER-LIBRARIAN



Who Should Attend

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1. Practical and Easy Ways to Incorporate Makerspaces With Literature to Transform Your Library Program

Dozens of ideas, plans, strategies, and resources will be shared to help you enhance your existing lessons with ideas you can implement immediately ... Tried and true titles plus NEW ones added to the seminar each year!

2. Discover WHY to Include Makerspaces in Your Curriculum

Research demonstrates that making leads to better retention of learning plus there are so many more reasons to include making ... Let's talk about those reasons!

3. Preview Amazing Children's Books Made for Making

Tricia will share the latest, most motivating children's books developed to cater to the maker movement and demonstrate the maker mindset at work!

4. Delve Into the Maker Mindset

Discover how closely the maker mindset is associated with the growth mindset ... Strategies proven to increase confidence and success

5. Experience the Perfect Read Alouds for Makerspace Learning

Reading aloud is quickly becoming a lost and dying practice but its importance cannot be emphasized enough

6. Essential Free or Low Cost Digital Tools

Leave with dozens of ideas for making the most of free or low cost digital tools ... Learn how these digital tools help to create and MAKE awesome learning

7. Lists of Outstanding Children's Books to Meet Your Curriculum Standards

Each making activity will align with the American Association of School Librarians (AASL) standards for learners ... Strategies for integrating these books into your program

8. Learn Which Lessons Strengthen Essential 21st Century Learning Skills

Makerspaces go beyond fun by building an environment where creating, collaborating, critical thinking, and communication are essential

9. Connect Making to Your Read Alouds, Booktalks, and Library Lessons

Learn how makerspaces support and reinforce your already existing curriculum

10. Receive an Extensive Makerspace Digital Resource Handbook

Leave with a digital resource handbook filled with the newest ideas, strategies, and tips for creating and enhancing library makerspaces through the use of Book & Build activities

Outstanding Strategies You Can Use Immediately

What You Will Learn ...

- **100 ways** to use great children's books with makerspace activities
- How to **enhance** your existing makerspace by combining it with your curriculum needs
- **The best children's books** and how best you can use them
- **Awesome ideas** to help you align your making and use of children's books with national standards
- Current research to see what is being done and **what's WORKING**
- How to incorporate **amazing FREE digital tools** with books and making
- Ideas for **enhancing your digital presence** through making and read alouds
- Use makerspaces to **boost STEAM skills** for every student by tapping into the power of making
- How to use a Book & Build framework to **make sure your makerspaces challenge students** to develop higher-order thinking
- **Best practices, tips and tricks** to incorporate and build on the maker mindset
- Make your library more inviting for all students using **innovative makerspace activities along with engaging books with every lesson!**
- Greatly enhance your library or classroom curriculum through Book & Build ... **ideas you can use!**



'The resources and presentation were amazing!'

– NICOLE URELES, 2ND GRADE TEACHER

Practical Ideas and Strategies

In this seminar, award-winning librarian, author, and presenter **TRICIA KUON** shares her classroom-proven, practical ways to combine makerspace activities with the best children's books. This exciting seminar has been designed to help strengthen library and classroom learning by combining books with makerspace activities to meet the following needs:

- Provide an awesome list of children's books to use with makerspace activities in order to enhance the curriculum and help students to remember their learning in a MORE meaningful way
- Align with curriculum to extend classroom learning
- Emphasize the 5 C's of 21st Century Learning: collaboration, communication, critical thinking, communication, and citizenship
- Allow for STEAM activities and experiences
- Turn classrooms and libraries into spaces to absorb knowledge and create NEW knowledge

Communicating with your stakeholders, engaging your students with great books, and spreading enthusiasm through fun, exciting, appealing building and making activities are just a few of the topics that will be discussed. **Join Tricia for an energizing and inspiring day full of the very best books and dozens of makerspace activities, plus a host of strategies and techniques that you can use immediately, successfully, and powerfully to integrate these books into your classroom or library program.**

A Message From Seminar Leader, Tricia Kuon



Uniquely Qualified Instructor

TRICIA KUON, an award-winning librarian, will share how to develop an inviting, thriving environment where students can create and learn from each other through the use of children's books paired with makerspace learning. Tricia will provide you with numerous cost-efficient ideas to help you maximize your time and resources. Whether you have existing makerspaces in your library or are new to the idea of offering makerspace activities to complement your lessons, you are sure to find a wealth of ideas in this powerful one-day seminar! Join Tricia for an inspiring day filled with practical tips that will give you the tools you need to enhance your lessons making them engrossing and memorable while connecting to your curriculum and encouraging a deeper love of reading for students. As an added benefit, you will receive a comprehensive digital resource handbook, *Book & Build Lessons: 100 Great Children's Books to Use With Makerspace Activities (Grades K-6)*, specifically designed for this seminar and filled with outstanding ideas to help you create the very best possible learning experiences for your students.

Dear Colleague:

Like many of you, I struggled with finding a way to incorporate using makerspaces in my classroom, which happened to be a school library. Among the issues were time, space, money, education for me and for all of the stakeholders, and did I mention time? I have tried numerous ways to create meaningful making experiences for students without taking away from my primary goal – promoting great books and encouraging students to become enthusiastic readers!

My quandary was this: with limited time, limited space, and of course, limited funds, how could I implement making activities without taking away from my most important task of showing kids great books to get them excited about reading?

In this seminar, I will share with you dozens of great lesson ideas for awesome books you can use at any level, Grades K-6, along with exciting build or maker activities. These lessons are about topics that you likely cover in your curriculum like award books, genres, categories of books, digital citizenship, friendship, belonging, diversity, and more. Attending this seminar will save you countless hours of time as you try to invent the wheel yourself. I've already created the wheel for you, and I would love to share.

Because one of the best ways to learn about makerspaces is through making, this seminar will be interactive and informative. I can't wait to meet you and work with you.

Sincerely,

Tricia Kuon

P.S. Not only will we have time together to explore and discover dozens of ways to use the best children's books for maker activities, **you will leave this seminar with an extensive digital handbook and access to online resources** designed specifically for librarians and teachers who want to use makerspaces!

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What Your Colleagues Say About Tricia Kuon

*"This was incredibly informative and interesting. **The presenter is fun and knowledgeable!**"*

– Catherine Mangan, Librarian

*"**So many ideas!** Well worth the time spent today."*

– Jennifer Hanneken, Library Media Specialist

*"The event was well run, on time, and organized. **Tricia Kuon was very professional and enthusiastic.** She was friendly and helpful and provided a wealth of ideas for books to read and activities to pair with them."*

– Lisa Roeder, Media Specialist

*"The pace was perfect. Lots of great books and connected activities. **Tricia was a very animated and engaging facilitator.** I'm so happy that I have the handbook with lesson plans and resources to take with me!"*

– Teresa Farrenkopf, Technology Integration Teacher



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– KATHY CADE,
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- Practical techniques and strategies for implementing makerspace activities into your curriculum immediately
- Numerous ideas for low-cost or inexpensive or FREE makerspace activities
- Specific experiences to create engaging lessons to enhance creativity and strengthen STEAM skills
- Ways to support and encourage students to be enthusiastic readers

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Tricia Kuon will be available for consultation regarding your questions and the unique needs of your own program.

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- or —
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