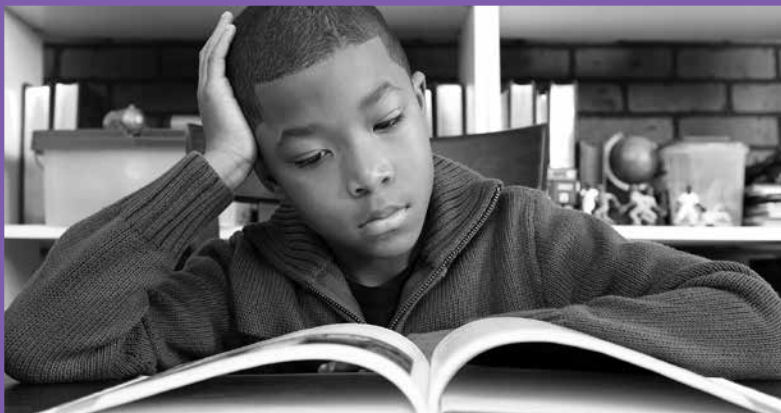


Increasing Students' Mindfulness, Perseverance and Motivation Using Exemplary Children's Literature (Grades K-6)



A Unique One-Day In-Person Seminar Presented by

Jennifer Benedict Medina

Outstanding Educator and National Presenter

Specifically Designed for Classroom Teachers, School Librarians,
School Library Paraprofessionals, Reading Specialists, Literacy
Coaches, Special Education Staff, Title I Staff, and Administrators

**Learn about the latest children's books and innovative ways for
classroom teachers and school librarians** to utilize exemplary children's
literature to improve academic success and positive classroom behaviors

Practical ideas to improve reading and comprehension skills,
and increase the academic success across grade levels

Increase students' mindfulness, perseverance, and motivation
by diving into good books and building a reading community

Fun and educational activities to catch up struggling students motivated
and engaged in reading and writing

Connecticut

Hartford (Bristol) – January 5

Massachusetts

Boston (Wakefield) – January 7

New Hampshire

Manchester – January 6

New York

Long Island (Plainview) – January 4

CEUs and Graduate Credit Available
See page 6 for details

*"Jennifer is an engaging
presenter and has the most
creative and fun hands-on
activities for her participants!"*

Ten Key Benefits of Attending

"From both my administrative perspective and that of my teaching staff, this seminar was one of the best we have ever had and well-worth the investment of time and money."



Who Should Attend

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- 1. Utilize Children's Literature to Strengthen Your Students' Literacy Skills and Maximize Mindfulness**
Learn how to match engaging books to your students' interests and reading levels to develop and strengthen your students' literacy skills ... Implement innovative strategies to increase mindfulness and strengthen learning
- 2. Motivate Both Struggling and Accelerated Students in Your Classroom**
Enhance your instruction to maximize learning and motivation for all students ... Discover innovative ways to address the needs of your students from struggling readers to accelerated
- 3. Learn the Latest Research on Best Practices in Literacy Development**
Strengthen your reading program for any grade level with quick and simple research-based activities on access and choice to good books, summer slide prevention, and implementing book talks
- 4. Develop an Inclusive Classroom and Classroom Library**
Create opportunities for students to interact with exemplary literature and writing to teach kindness, community, compassion and perseverance
- 5. Inspirational Children's Literature to Hook All Readers**
Motivate ALL students to become voracious readers by introducing them to a wide variety of fiction, non-fiction, poetry, biographies, graphic novels and wordless books ... New lists of books that hook readers of all levels and ages
- 6. Create a Community of Authors in the Classroom**
Increase literacy by creating student, teacher and class written books to build home and classroom libraries to create friendships, deepen relationships and strengthen literacy skills
- 7. Use Children's Books to Increase Academic Success**
Explore countless exemplary children's literature titles that pique students' interests and builds on their strengths ... Connect with students and learn how to incorporate families into the process of increasing academic success
- 8. Address Your Students' Socio-Emotional and Behavioral Needs through Mindfulness**
Learn how to use exemplary children's literature to help you improve the academic, social, emotional, and behavioral progress of your students
- 9. Books to Reflect the Diversity of Your Students**
Learn from a highly experienced educator in the field of education and children's literature ... Help your students find books that reflect who they are and their life experiences
- 10. Receive an Extensive Resource Handbook**
Each participant will receive a comprehensive resource handbook full of ideas, strategies, lessons and useful resources you can immediately use with your students

Outstanding Strategies You Can Use Immediately

What You Will Learn ...

- **Highly effective ways** to increase students' mindfulness and perseverance using exemplary children's literature
- **Engaging and relevant instructional strategies** that change struggling readers into voluminous readers and increase student interest and motivation
- **Practical approaches** to generate more time-on-task and inspire students to be a part of a classroom learning community and strive for excellence in their work and behaviors
- **Ready-to-use resources and activities** to strengthen students' perseverance and grit through a love of books and reading
- **Research-based** activities that will motivate students to become voracious readers at any level
- How to create a culture of accountability with **effective ways to increase students' intrinsic motivation to read and learn**
- Specific writing strategies using exemplary children's literature to **build "Can do!" attitudes in your students**
- Dozens of strategies to implement immediately that **motivate students to persevere as joyful readers**
- **Best instructional strategies for increasing mindfulness** through reading and writing
- Hands-on writing and bookmaking activities that address **mindfulness, motivation and perseverance** that you can use with your students



"The best part of the workshop is that these fun and practical ideas go home with the teachers and are immediately implemented in their classroom curriculums!"

Practical Ideas and Strategies

In this **NEW** seminar, you will have the opportunity to explore how to enhance students' mindfulness, perseverance and motivation through exemplary children's literature using strategies designed for all classrooms. In the process, you'll also accelerate your students' reading and writing skills.

Jennifer Benedict Medina will share dozens of book titles, practical strategies and engaging hands-on lessons to address your students' mindfulness, perseverance and motivation through literacy. You will receive resources and extensive children's literature book lists to build your students' ability to be mindful, increase their motivation and develop stronger perseverance skills. You will also receive an extensive resource handbook full of creative and engaging activities to increase social and academic development in your classroom.

If you are looking for creative, high interest, effective, and easily implemented strategies to engage and accelerate literacy and community in your class while increasing the mindfulness, perseverance and motivation of your students, this seminar is for you.



A Message From Seminar Leader, Jennifer Benedict Medina



Uniquely Qualified Instructor

Dr. Jennifer Benedict Medina's

26 years of experience have been centered around literacy and literature as a classroom teacher, and instructional coach. Participants in Jennifer's seminars leave with a wealth of practical, proven strategies to build a strong foundation of literacy and a love of learning in the classroom.

With a diverse background in education serving a wide range of grade levels, Jennifer knows what works and what doesn't work.

Throughout Jennifer's career, she has been passionate about incorporating the best strategies for helping each student overcome their barriers to learning, improve their mindset and find success as a student.

Jennifer is the author of *Increasing Students' Mindfulness, Perseverance and Motivation Using Exemplary Children's Literature (K-6)*, the extensive resource handbook each participant will receive at the seminar. Participants leave Jennifer's seminar re-energized and equipped with a wealth of strategies they'll be able to immediately implement.

Dear Colleague:

Every educator – whether it's your first year or you count your experience in decades – knows that motivating students, increasing their mindfulness, decreasing classroom stress and strengthening their perseverance are among the biggest challenges we face today. As a teacher, I have always been motivated by exemplary children's literature and reading strategies that engage struggling and accelerated readers. Good stories and great literacy activities serve as the foundation to build mindfulness, perseverance and motivation. These important skills are the focus of my new seminar.

Very early on I began my own journey in not only understanding the importance of mindfulness, perseverance and motivation but my passion became how to teach these critical life skills through children's literature and literacy activities. Over time I also began to see how easily I could strengthen the resolve of my students and improve their attitudes toward learning and reading. From my students who struggled with learning to my higher performing students who struggle with perseverance, I saw the power exemplary children's literature had on the development of these skills in all students.

I encourage you to join me in this highly interactive one-day seminar that shows how exemplary children's literature and engaging research-based literacy activities can be the catalyst for increased student motivation. The day is packed with realistic ideas and strategies that can be easily implemented into the fast and furious teaching day. I look forward to sharing my enthusiasm, experience and ideas with you so that you, in turn, can create in each of your students the mindfulness, perseverance and motivation they need to be successful!

Sincerely,

Jennifer Benedict Medina

P.S. If you want to add to your toolkit for motivating your students and you love children's literature, then join me for a day **filled with creative, hands-on, "ready-to-use" activities** that re-energize students!

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What Your Colleagues Say About Jennifer Benedict Medina

“Because of Jennifer’s experience, her suggestions and ideas are very practical and helpful. I now have tools to address the many different levels of language and academic levels in my classroom.”

“Jennifer’s enthusiasm and positive energy are inspiring! I am taking away ideas of how I can do more at my school to help students and families benefit and grow.”

“I gained a wealth of knowledge about diverse learners and **how to create better educational experiences** for my students.”

“I learned how to engage a group of diverse learners and **build community with the students** in the classroom and their families.”



About BER Seminars

Outstanding Instructors

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Extensive Resource Handbook

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Highly Interactive

You'll be able to ask questions, consult with the instructor, and share ideas with other participants

Program Guarantee

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Special Benefits of Attending



"Jennifer uses relevant research and shows how to put it into practice to meet the needs of diverse learners."

On-Site Training

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Extensive Resource Handbook

Each participant will receive an extensive digital resource handbook giving you access to countless strategies. The handbook includes:

- Extensive Book Lists that address academic and socio-emotional needs in the classroom
- Suggestions for using children's literature as a motivational and foundational base for academic development
- Strategies and activities to engage students with a wide variety of reading, language and academic levels
- Techniques to increase students' mindfulness, perseverance and motivation

For in-person seminars, registrants will also receive a printed copy of the resource handbook as long as their registration is received in the BER office at least 15 calendar days before the event.

Share Ideas with Other Educators

This seminar provides a wonderful opportunity for participants to share ideas with other educators interested in increasing students' mindfulness, perseverance and motivation using exemplary children's literature.

Consultation Available

Jennifer Benedict Medina will be available to answer your specific questions and the unique needs of your own program.

Meet Inservice Requirements / Earn State CEUs

Participants can receive a certificate of participation that may be used to verify five continuing education hours. For details about state CEUs available, visit www.ber.org/ceus

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Registration (BFM2W1)

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- 2. **Hartford** (Bristol), CT – January 5, 2022
- 3. **Long Island** (Plainview), NY – January 4, 2022
- 4. **Manchester, NH** – January 6, 2022

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- Long Island: Holiday Inn – Plainview, (516) 349-7400
- Manchester: The Falls Event Center, (603) 413-7550; hotel accommodations available at La Quinta Inn & Suites, (603) 669-5400

If needed, please make your own hotel reservations by calling the appropriate hotel listed above.

Cancellation/Substitutions:

100% of your paid registration fee will be refunded if you can't attend and notify us at least 10 days before the seminar. Late cancellations made prior to the event date will be refunded less a \$15 service fee. Substitutions may be made at any time without charge.

Further Questions

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