

# What's NEW in Children's Literature and Strategies for Using It in Your Program (Grades K-6) — 2019 —



A Unique One-Day Seminar Presented by

**Judy Freeman**

Nationally Recognized Children's Book Expert, Librarian and Author

**Totally NEW Seminar  
All NEW Titles for the Year 2019**

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**The best, new children's books published in the last year** matched with a wealth of ready-to-use ideas and engaging activities for ALL areas of your program

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**A stimulating, high-powered presentation** to make you excited about this year's new books and eager to try them out with your own students

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**Sample copies of the best, new books will be on display** for you to preview

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Instantly usable activities, demonstrations, bibliographies, booktalks, and an **ALL NEW resource handbook** that you'll use year after year

**Alabama**

**Birmingham – March 19**

**Arkansas**

**Fayetteville – February 27**

**Georgia**

**Atlanta (Roswell) – March 18**

**Kansas**

**Wichita – February 25**

**Missouri**

**St. Louis (Earth City) – March 1**

**Springfield – February 28**

**Mississippi**

**Jackson (Pearl) – March 22**

**Oklahoma**

**Oklahoma City – February 26**

**Tennessee**

**Memphis – March 21**

**Nashville – March 20**

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CEUs and Graduate Credits Available  
See page 6 for details

# Ten Key Benefits of Attending

*'Fantastic! Judy is such an inspiration! Books, lessons, Reader's Theater and songs - who could ask for more! I'm leaving with so many ideas to use at school tomorrow. Thank you!'*

– ROXANNE SCOTT, LIBRARIAN



## Who Should Attend

Grades K-6 Classroom and Special Area Teachers, Media Specialists, Librarians, Children's Librarians in Public Libraries, Library Aides and Clerks, Reading Specialists, Resource Teachers, Special Education Staff, Title I Staff, and Administrators

### 1. Preview the Best, New Children's Books

See the BEST of the most recently published children's books – picture books, novels, informational nonfiction, poetry, folklore ... Many of the books will be available for your personal review

### 2. The Best, New Fiction Books

Get acquainted with realistic and fantasy fiction ... Memorable titles you'll be inspired to read aloud and use for booktalks, read-alouds, guided reading, literature circles, and book clubs

### 3. New Nonfiction Books You and Your Students Will Treasure

A rich resource of meaningful books for fact-loving learners ... Explore specific techniques for presenting all types of riveting informational books to dovetail with your state standards

### 4. The Best, New Picture Books

Discover some of the most arresting and inspiring picture books published in the last year and learn how to use them creatively throughout the curriculum with students of all ages

### 5. Strengthening Read-Aloud Skills

Tips and techniques for getting your kids to hang onto every word you read – and to become fluent readers themselves ... All modeled by one of the country's read-aloud experts

### 6. Honing Your Book Selection Skills

As a reading role model for your students, you'll find Judy's many valuable book evaluation strategies essential for selecting new books you and your students will love to read

### 7. Developing Reading and Writing Skills

Loads of innovative ideas for developing challenging reading and writing projects along with samples of children's work inspired by this year's most unforgettable children's books

### 8. Tying New Books into the Classroom and Library Curriculum

Connect the best books of the year to your whole curriculum to enhance language arts, science, social studies, math, the arts, and more ... Involve and excite your children with language through creative drama, Reader's Theater, booktalks, storytelling, poetry, wordplay, and songs

### 9. Catch Up on Current Book Trends

Hear the latest news from the children's book publishing world ... Connect with top-notch online resources, including websites, blogs and listservs

### 10. Developing Lifelong Readers

Instantly effective book-sharing techniques to get even the most reluctant readers fired up with irresistible books for read-alouds, read-alones and book discussion groups

# Outstanding Strategies You Can Use Immediately

## What You Will Learn ...

- On-target, honest reviews and lively booktalks of scores of **exemplary and engaging new children's books** that teachers, librarians and children will find indispensable
- How to promote curiosity, knowledge and lifelong learning skills with the **best of recently published nonfiction/informational children's books** for STEM and across the curriculum
- Use current children's titles to **strengthen reading, writing, speaking, listening, and language skills** as set out in your state standards
- How to **rejuvenate, expand and make new connections** with your existing repertoire of great books, both literary and informational
- How to use music, creative drama, Reader's Theater, storytelling, reading aloud, booktalking, creative writing, poetry, and many other literature extension activities to **get your students reading with comprehension, expression, fluency, and joy**
- Practical, motivating and kid-tested **reading, writing and illustrating prompts** that extend children's response to literature and analytical skills
- Extensive and annotated **lists of the best websites, blogs, listservs, and other online resources** for getting to know children's book authors, illustrators and great books
- Easy-to-use strategies for **fostering the Four Cs (critical thinking, communication, collaboration, and creativity), building vocabulary, improving reading comprehension, and strengthening higher-level thinking skills**
- Unlimited reasons to **fall in love** with children's literature all over again



*"Such enthusiasm and excitement! So invigorating and contagious!  
Judy has tons of great ideas - I want to use them all!"*

— PEGGY BURTON, LIBRARIAN

## Practical Ideas and Materials

In this electrifying, **ALL NEW** seminar, **Judy Freeman** will share with you her treasure-trove of the best, **NEW** children's books from this past year. With more than 20,000 children's books published each year, teachers and librarians are keen to select only the best titles to use with their students.

Judy Freeman, internationally recognized expert on children's literature, can help you with this challenge. Going well beyond just familiarizing you with the best of the newly published titles, she will introduce you to scores of engaging strategies to integrate children's books across content areas for grades K-6.

**Judy's high-powered presentation will model reading aloud, booktalking, storytelling, singing, and a host of other literature appreciation and curriculum-based techniques that will get you energized and ready to use these successful, easy-to-use strategies with your children.**



# A Message From Your Seminar Leader, Judy Freeman



## Internationally Recognized Instructor

### Judy Freeman

([www.JudyReadsBooks.com](http://www.JudyReadsBooks.com)) is well known for her invigorating presentations and writings on children's literature. She is a highly experienced teacher, library media specialist and one of North America's foremost experts on strengthening reading and library programs. Look for her books, *The Handbook for Storytellers* and *The Handbook for Storytime Programs* (ALA Editions, 2015), as well as *The 2018 Winners! Handbook: A Closer Look at Judy Freeman's Top-Rated Children's Books of 2018* (available exclusively from Bound to Stay Bound Books; [www.btsb.com](http://www.btsb.com)). Judy is a frequent presenter at workshops, schools and conferences worldwide. She served as a member of the 2000 Newbery Committee, the 2008 Sibert Informational Book Award Committee and the 2014 Caldecott Committee.

Dear Colleague:

We teachers and librarians are the gods and goddesses of great books. Our children look upon our wisdom and depth of book knowledge with awe. Our job to turn them into readers is never done.

I read thousands of new children's books each year. I'm always on the prowl for books that inspire, amaze, entertain, enlighten, and stimulate. Each year, I field-test my latest favorites at local schools with teachers, librarians and their enthusiastic students. My goal? To find out which books work best with their intended audience — actual children, grades K-6.

For each book I select to share with you in this year's **ALL NEW BER seminar**, I look for the **Book Hook** — that mysterious, magical lure that will pull you in and get your own creative juices flowing. We'll examine and evaluate the latest, best books to see what makes them so great. We'll get excited about connecting new books with old favorites and share ways to get our children reading, writing, learning, and responding to literature across the curriculum. I'll bring lots of amazing new examples of children's projects, writings and other creative responses to books.

During our book-packed "wow" of a day, we'll interact through hands-on writing activities, discussions, booktalking, reading aloud, storytelling, songs, and drama. With the year's latest and greatest children's books — picture books, fiction, poetry, folklore, biography, and nonfiction — I'll demonstrate lots of down-to-earth, easy-to-use ways to make books come alive.

I can't wait to meet you and share my favorite passion: children's books and the many creative ways to get kids reading and loving them.

Sincerely,

Judy Freeman

P.S. Wear comfortable clothes, don't forget your sweater in case it gets chilly, and maybe a bit of chocolate for inspiration and energy. Bring a smile, a sense of humor and a yen for adventure. Let's get together and have a terrific time learning about the **best, new books of the year!**

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# What Your Colleagues Say About Judy Freeman

***“Always a fun seminar! Judy has so many terrific ideas for using books – I love the pairings she makes. The resource handbook is the best tool for a school librarian!”***

Nancy Farwell, Librarian

***“One of the best seminars on children’s literature I’ve ever attended! I am leaving with many new tools for my librarian’s toolkit and a long list of books to share with my students.”***

Katrina Hill, Librarian

***“Excellent seminar! Judy has a knack for finding true gems in children’s literature. She does it year after year, and as a librarian, I rely on and trust her to recommend the best, new books for our school.”***

Rene Steven, Elementary Librarian

***“This is an awesome seminar! Thank you for increasing my love and knowledge for children’s literature. So many new books to read – I can’t wait!”***

Dana Towberman, Elementary Librarian



***“Very engaging and high quality! Judy is such a valuable resource!”***

Lauren Weir, Librarian

***“Judy is as entertaining as she is informative. She gave great ideas and ways to use the books.”***

Lisa Rourke, Reading Specialist

***“A wonderful day, as always! Judy is such an inspiration! Her ideas and book selections keep me going throughout the school year. Thank you!”***

Anne Paulson, District Librarian

***“Judy Freeman is an artist, musician, writer, and an amazing resource! She is entertaining and enthusiastic – all for the love of books!”***

Lisa DeWitt, Title I Reading Coordinator

***“Every teacher should attend! Teachers never have time to look at all the children’s books available. I now have my read-aloud list for next year because Judy gave us the best in one day!”***

Cindy Baker, Classroom Teacher

# Special Benefits of Attending



## Online Learning

BER offers educators a wide range of online courses that are affordable, fun, fast, and convenient. BER is now offering On Demand Video-Based courses. You may earn optional graduate-level credits for most courses. See the catalog of available courses at [www.ber.org/onlinelearning](http://www.ber.org/onlinelearning)

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## Can't Attend?

### •))) Related Professional Development Audio Seminar

This seminar is available on CDs with a comprehensive resource handbook at a cost of \$125.00 plus \$9.00 shipping and handling. To order, call toll-free 1-800-735-3503 (**Stock #A-BJ9-0808**) or use the order form on page 7. **Available January 2019.**

Electronic versions of both the seminar and handbook are available in MP3 and PDF format for immediate download on our website, at the cost of \$99.00. **Available January 2019.**

Please visit [www.berproducts.org/new.html](http://www.berproducts.org/new.html) for more information.



## Extensive Resource Handbook

You will receive Judy Freeman's exciting, new resource handbook specifically designed for this seminar. It includes:

- **100+ Best Children's Books:** An extensive, annotated booklist of Judy's favorite children's books of the past year, with each entry incorporating a descriptive annotation, follow-up ideas, activities, and ways to use the book with children; a list of related titles; and a bibliography of related subjects
- **Author, title and subject indexes** for easy access to the booklists
- **Practical suggestions, lesson plans, booklists, articles,** and original teachers' guides to enhance your literature-based program
- **Judy's latest Reader's Theater scripts,** stories and songs to use with your children
- **Surfing the Net:** Judy's extensive, annotated Internet resource list of hundreds of the best, literature-based websites and blogs for children and educators to investigate children's books, authors, and illustrators

## Consultation Available

Judy Freeman will be available at the seminar for consultation regarding the unique needs of your own program.

## Meet Inservice Requirements / Earn State CEUs

Participants will receive a certificate of participation that may be used to verify continuing education hours.

### CEUs Available:

#### Alabama

AL Verification of Attendance Available;  
MS CEUs Available

#### Arkansas

AR Professional Development Credit  
Hours Approved by ADE

#### Kansas

KS Inservice Credit Available with Prior  
District Approval

#### Missouri

MO Inservice Credit Available with Prior District Approval;  
5 IL PD Clock Hours Available in St. Louis

#### Mississippi

MS CEUs Available

#### Oklahoma

OK PD Credit Available with District Approval

#### Tennessee

TN Credit Available with Prior District Approval;  
MS CEUs Available in Memphis

## Earn One to Four Graduate Semester Credits



Up to four graduate level professional development credits are available with an additional fee and completion of follow-up practicum activities. Details for direct enrollment with Brandman University, part of the Chapman University system, will be available at this program.

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## Registration (BJ99S1)

- 1. **Atlanta** (Roswell), **GA** – March 18, 2019
- 2. **Birmingham, AL** – March 19, 2019
- 3. **Fayetteville, AR** – February 27, 2019
- 4. **Jackson** (Pearl), **MS** – March 22, 2019
- 5. **Memphis, TN** – March 21, 2019
- 6. **Nashville, TN** – March 20, 2019
- 7. **Oklahoma City, OK** – February 26, 2019
- 8. **St. Louis** (Earth City), **MO** – March 1, 2019
- 9. **Springfield, MO** – February 28, 2019
- 10. **Wichita, KS** – February 25, 2019

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## METHOD OF PAYMENT – Team Discount Available

**The registration fee is \$269 per person,**  
for teams of three or more registering at the same time, the fee is \$249  
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 **PHONE toll-free: 1-800-735-3503** (Weekdays 6 am - 6 pm Pacific Time)

 **MAIL this form to: Bureau of Education & Research**  
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## Program Hours

All seminars are scheduled 8:30 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.  
Check-in 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

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The registration fee is \$269 per person, \$249 per person for groups of three or more registering at the same time. Call us at 1-800-735-3503 for groups of ten or more. **Payment is due prior to the program.** No cash please. Fee includes seminar registration, morning coffee and tea, a personalized certificate of participation, and an extensive resource handbook.

## Meeting Sites and Hotel Accommodations

Seminars will be held at the following sites:

- Atlanta: Holiday Inn – Roswell, (770) 817-1414
- Birmingham: DoubleTree, (205) 933-9000
- Fayetteville: Hilton Garden Inn, (479) 856-6040
- Jackson: Holiday Inn – Pearl, (601) 939-5238
- Memphis: DoubleTree East, (901) 767-6666
- Nashville: Radisson – Airport, (615) 889-9090
- Oklahoma City: Best Western Plus Saddleback Inn, (405) 947-7000
- St. Louis: Holiday Inn Airport West – Earth City, (314) 291-6800
- Springfield: DoubleTree, (417) 831-3131
- Wichita: Hilton Garden Inn, (316) 219-4444

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 conference. Late cancellations will be refunded less a \$15 service fee. Substitutions may be made at any time without charge.

## Program Guarantee

We stand behind the high quality of our programs by providing the following unconditional guarantee: If you are not satisfied with this program, we'll give you a 100% refund of your registration fee.

## Can't Attend?

- I'd like to order the CD version of the seminar, \$125.00 plus \$9.00 shipping (**Stock #A-BJ9-0808**). **Available January 2019.**

## Further Questions

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