

Making Literature Circles Come Alive

By Amy Hamra Humphreys

Making Literature Circles Come Alive by author Amy Hamra Humphreys is a wonderful book. I love the book's layout. She starts with setting the stage in an effort to maximize the use of literature circles by helping students to think critically and to help students engage in meaningful discussions about novels and other pieces of written work. She even has activities in this book that "Sets the Stage" for the literature circles.

The author also shares dynamic tools for making literature circles work effectively. She builds background and then includes activities to make her work come alive.

I will definitely incorporate her strategies into my lessons as I engage students in reading. I have found that students like dramatizing and what better way to get them to read than to give them a purpose for reading. Hamra Humphreys has enlightened me and given me a new perspective, not only on challenging my students, but making reading more interesting.

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