

Article Review

Complete APA bibliographic reference:

Tredennick, D. (1997). A playful way to write. *Teaching PreK-8*, 27 (6), 38-39.

Four or five descriptor names that best describe the topic:

Main: Language arts, writing, play writing, responding, revising

Type of Article:

Other: Classroom Practices

Levels: Lower Elementary (1-3)

Briefly stated major purpose(s) of the article:

The classroom teacher shares the experience of her second grade students learning to “write, produce, and perform their own marionette plays” (1). She shares how to meet all of the objectives and special curriculum requirements while maintaining a creative environment that fosters purposeful writing and a love of learning.

“Other” article – summarize the major points in 2-4 sentences:

It discusses teaching students to share through sequencing skills and brainstorming in small cooperative groups. The teacher then shares ways to develop students’ enthusiasm through the prewriting process. The article also gives tips for facilitating writing lessons and ways to get the students beyond narration of the story. Next, the teacher then discusses ways to help students to respond, revise, and edit their own work. Finally, the teacher explains how to help students develop their own self-evaluation criteria and publish their final work.

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