



Making Books

with Susan Kapuscinski Gaylord



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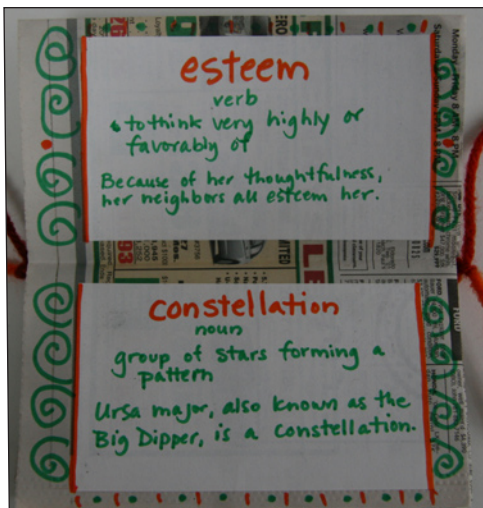
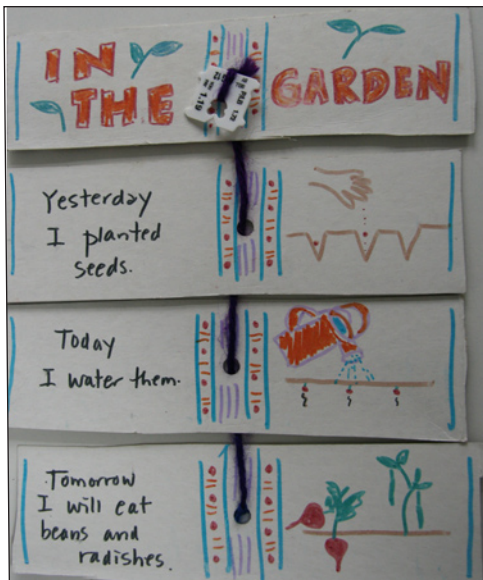
Teachers love Susan's fun, fast-paced workshops. They leave with a bag brimming with sample books they have made, lots of ideas for ways to use them in the classroom, and the confidence and desire to make books with their students.

In this hands-on workshop, Susan leads the teachers through the bookmaking process with step-by-step directions. Although the focus is on construction techniques, some time is spent on applications across the curriculum and grade levels. A display of sample books, which may be photographed, enables teachers to see the possibilities. A handout for copying and distribution is provided.

Teacher workshops can be half or full days. Susan suggests that a follow-up meeting (without her) be scheduled so that the teachers can further develop curriculum ideas and reinforce and expand upon what they have learned.

Susan has worked with as few as 8 teachers and as many as 75. 25 to 35 is a comfortable number. If your staff is small, you may want to invite parents or teachers from another school to bring up the numbers.

Susan uses recycled materials as much as possible. Teachers are given a short list of easy-to-get materials to bring.





Family Workshops

What better way to promote the love of reading, writing, and books than by bringing families together to make books? With the today's emphasis on testing, it can be difficult to find enough time for children to write for pleasure within the school day. By involving parents, children can make books at home and write about their own interests and passions.

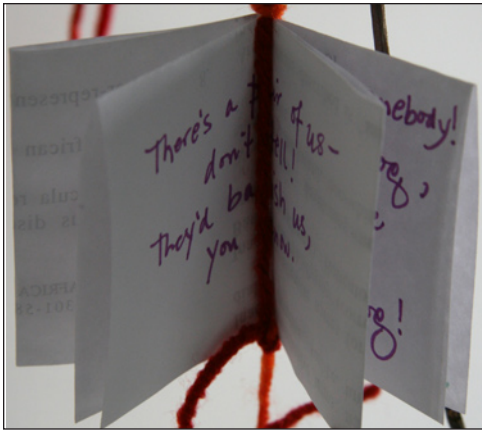
Susan leads parents and children through the bookmaking process with step-by-step directions. After making several simple books together, families work on their own.

The session can run from 2 to 2.5 hours. For evening workshops, most schools try to start by 6:30 so that the evening is not too late.

Susan can work with up to 35 adult/child pairs for a total of 70. The workshop is most appropriate for children four and older.

Families are asked to bring brown paper grocery bags and cereal boxes. Also needed are scissors, glue sticks, and markers. They can be brought by families or provided by the school. Susan brings stencils and collage materials.

To encourage parents to continue making books at home with their children, a hand-out for copying and distribution is available. There is also a display of sample books with ideas for books on a variety of curriculum and family topics.



Fees & Scheduling

Susan works by the half day (up to three hours of teaching time) and full day (up to six hours of teaching time). Family Workshops are usually half days in the evening. Teacher workshops can be half day after school or for a full professional day. They are available in the summer as well as during the school year. An after school teacher workshop can be combined with an evening family workshop for the full day rate.

Half Day: \$550.00

Full Day: \$995.00

Susan works primarily in MA, southern NH, and southern ME. There is an additional travel fee for schools more than 50 miles from Newburyport, Massachusetts.

Susan does occasionally travel to teach. Her fee is \$1500. per day plus travel expenses.

Contact Susan to schedule a workshop at your school or for further information.

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Resume: [Susan's resume](#)

See a sampling of Susan's presentation technique in these videos filmed in her studio at youtube.com/skgaylord.