

Testimonials

"I absolutely loved her choice of topic! 'Show don't tell' is something that we can build on in our class and the students are very excited. I feel that it will take their writing to the next level."

—Jillian Johnson; teacher; Gibson-Neill Elementary School, Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada

Barbara O'Connor's author presentation today was by far the best I have had the opportunity to see. Both children and teachers were spellbound.

—Kevin Porter; teacher; Gibson-Neill Elementary School; Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada

"...one of the stand-out programs in the area."

—Pat Keogh, children's literature consultant, Weston, MA

"The children loved the program! They were very involved ... I definitely can adapt her ideas to my program."

-Richmond Elementary School, Wyoming, RI

"Barbara captivated the attention of the writers and reluctant writers."

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"Humorous, well-prepared, professional, a natural teacher, excellent content."

-Cheryl Nelson; Community Coordinator, Newton Public Schools, MA

"Ms. O'Connor had a very nice way of drawing out students who don't really enjoy the writing process!

—Central School; Stoneham, MA

"Teachers loved how Barbara circulated among children, drawing their attention constantly. An excellent teacher with great strategies. Immediately, students felt they could produce good writing."

-Martinson Elementary School, Marshfield, MA

"Teacher response has been 100% positive to her presentations ... I can't wait to have her back next year."

—Heidi Jacobe, Burlington Public Library, Burlington, MA

"Everything that Ms. O'Connor talked about helped to reinforce the writing program that is in the classroom!"

-Fourth grade teacher, Craneville Elementary School, Dalton, MA

"I would highly recommend Barbara O'Connor. Her discussions with the children were lively and informative. It was very evident that students enjoyed talking with her."

—William Foster School, Hingham, MA

"The teachers also loved the high level of personal interaction. All kids were included. They especially liked the 'Show, Don't Tell' exercises, which invested beautifully with what they teach in the classroom. They did use the handouts Barbara left; the kids responded with high performance." *—Lisa Tucker, Parent Volunteer, Bowen School, Newton, MA*