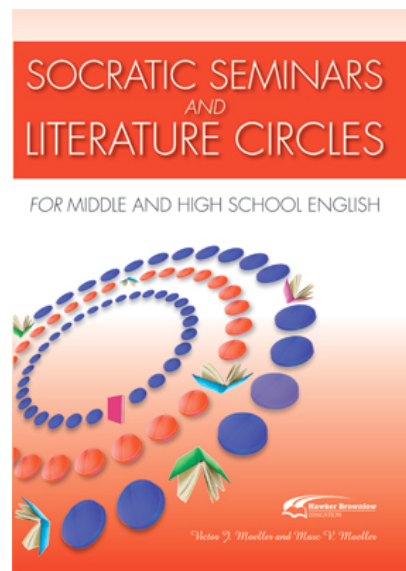


Socratic Seminars and Literature Circles for Middle and High School English

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Summary:

This book describes, illustrates and explains how to engage your students in a variety of active learning activities. Socratic Seminars allow the teacher to guide student interaction with and discussion of literature by encouraging students to come up with and improve their own questions. Similarly Literature Circles help develop independent, reflective and critical thinking. With sustained effort, practice, experimentation, guidance and willingness to learn from mistakes, students can learn how to become an active learner and an active reader.

The book contains lesson plans, student handouts and other handy features to help you engage your students in this amazing process of active learning.

The texts covered directly in this book are: *The Road Not Taken*, *The Zebra Storyteller*, *The Pigman*, *Good Country People*, *Tomorrow and Tomorrow and So Forth*, *Pride and Prejudice*, *The Metamorphosis*, *Ordinary People*, *The Stone People*, *Harrison Bergeron*, *Barn Burning*, *Two Soldiers*, *The Jilting of Granny Weatherall*, *Of Mice and Men*, *Hamlet*, *Macbeth* and the film *Finding Forrester*.

The process of using Literature Circles and Socratic Seminars to engage students with texts, once learned on the works covered in this book, can be broadened to work with any texts in any English curriculum. The consequence is that students become responsible for their own learning, better readers and, in the end, better learners.

Related Resources:

- *The New Science of Teaching and Learning (TCP1182)*
- *Inquire: Student Book (HB1533)*
- *Literature Circles That Engage Middle Years and Secondary School Students (EYE2356)*
- *Teaching Ethics: Care, Think and Choose – A Curriculum-based Approach to Ethical Thinking (HB2547)*

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