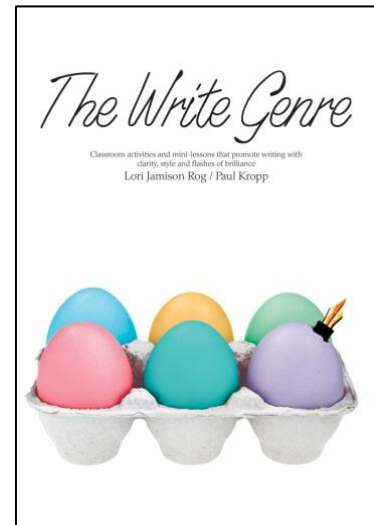


The Write Genre: Classroom Activities and Mini-Lessons that Promote Writing with Clarity, Style and Flashes of Brilliance

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Summary

How do we make writing meaningful to students? This remarkable book brings together a leading educator and a popular young-adult novelist in a refreshing approach to helping students in Years 3–9 become more powerful writers.

In *The Write Genre*, teachers will find hands-on activities that focus on all stages of the writing process, with teacher-directed assignments and opportunities for student-selected writing lessons that emphasise writing to learn.

Organised around six writing genres, this practical book offers more than fifty mini-lessons to develop specific skills that can help students write effective fiction and nonfiction:

- Personal memoir – from developing personal timelines to power paragraphing and cutting the clutter
- Fictional narrative – from exploring character, plot and dialogue to clarifying point of view and resolving conflict
- Informational report – from concise note-taking to finding ways to add voice and style
- Opinion piece – from recognising loaded words and other persuasive writing techniques to expressing opinions on everyday issues
- Procedural writing – from incorporating visuals and interviewing experts to writing imperative sentences
- Poetry – from teaching the “tools” and forms of poetry to creating a poetry anthology

This comprehensive handbook includes chapters that review the writing process and writing workshop, and feature rubrics for instruction and assessment. For easy classroom implementation, the key elements of many mini-lessons are also presented in reproducible pages: frameworks, organisers, prompts, checklists and grids.

The Write Genre shows teachers how to help students build the skills they need to become more confident, successful writers.

Other Resources

- *Reading, Writing, Playing, Learning* (PBP3219)
- *Struggling Readers: Why Band-Aids Don't Stick and Worksheets Don't Work* (PBP6371)