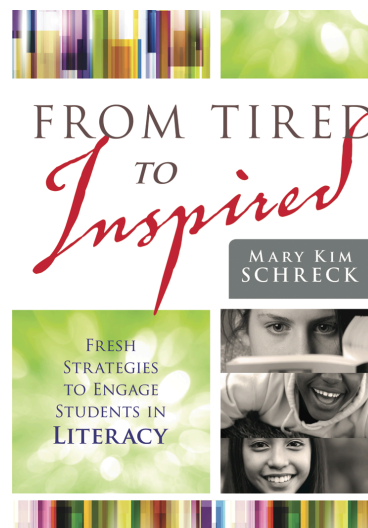


From Tired to Inspired: Fresh Strategies to Engage Students in Literacy

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Summary:

Literacy is a hollow set of skills unless it is enlivened by active, precise and creative thinking. *From Tired to Inspired* is designed to take upper primary and secondary school students beyond reading and writing to comprehension, creative thinking, the articulation of ideas, and conversations of depth and breadth.

This book should be used by all teachers who want to develop in their students authentic literacy and the ability to understand and master complex assignments. Readers will learn how to:

- Make use of divergent and convergent thinking processes
- Embed rigorous instruction in a supportive, engaging environment
- Encourage and model questioning and cognitive conversation
- Successfully communicate concepts like narrative, perspective and metaphor
- Use soft skills, novelty and “outrageous teaching” to reach reluctant students
- Transform students into independent thinkers and questioners

The goal of all the exercises and instructional structures suggested in *From Tired to Inspired* is to make better, independent thinkers of our students.

Supporting Resources:

- *You've Got to Reach Them to Teach Them: Hard Facts About the Soft Skills of Student Engagement* (SOT1885)
- *More Than 100 Brain-Friendly Tools and Strategies for Literacy Instruction* (CO6309)
- *Literacy Matters: Strategies Every Teacher Can Use, Second Edition* (CO1076)
- *Creative Ways to Teach Literacy* (SA1304)

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