

Daily Log: June 19, 2007

Morning Journal:

- Kalpana described the pain of not having a sister. She used very descriptive prose to describe the way she feels being the sister of only boys.

- Bob described the waiting game for his new grand daughter, and the cell phone difficulties they are having as they search for a cell phone service; he described his new phone by Team mobile and how it works, describing his feeling of ignorance. He described carrying his two phones around like an old school cowboy with a gun on either hip. He described a disaster at home with the water heater. His recollection of his experiences and feelings is amazing!

- Katherine began her diatribe called "What's up with that?" Height reduction caused by fast food, her joke, how she's getting smaller..."

Log share:

- Jennifer reviewed her log, going over the events of Monday. She used Microsoft Publisher.
- Housekeeping: Lennie passed around a form to clarify whether the class would give their permissions for having their images used in brochures, advertising, etc...

Teaching Demo

Literary Response: By Erlinda Reyes

Observations: excellent visuals, print-rich, colorful.

--*"Many opportunities...to meet their unique learning styles"*

- Two campuses, travel time: Cable Elementary to Valley Hi Elementary
- Struggles: mixing children who have Special needs with regular ed kids
- Strategies Read aloud/Response time
- *Read a loud:*
 - Improves comp

- Increases Fluency
 - Builds fluency
- Levels of Teacher support
- Modeled writing>>>Shared writing>>>Interactive writing>>>Guided writing>>>Independent Writing
- All lessons are literature-based
- *Writing activity*
- Review of rules—love it!
- Studying family: review of lessons from before.
- Topic celebrations
 - *Good flow, perfect delivery for age of students she teaches*
- Reading of stories, response by students
- Coloring/Drawing activity, share
 - *Class seemed to enjoy it!*
- Description of day
- Activity: Beach: Class gets sunglasses out, beach blankets go on the floor, read book: The night before Summer Vacation
 - *Keep asking the kids questions, it keeps them engaged, interested, and awake.*

Summary: Erlinda presented a very user-friendly and appealing Teaching Demo, good visuals, classroom was engaged.

Feedback:

- The group responded about her ease in speaking, the good flow of the presentation. Kudos for her!
- Irene mentioned that she was interested in the use of theater in the classroom.

List of Publishers that publish books for children in Spanish

*Children's Book Press
 246 First Street, Suite 101
 San Francisco, CA 94105

Cinco Puntos Press at El Paso

Arte Publico Press at the University of Houston

Erlinda was presented with a copy of "The Count of Monte Cristo by Alexander Dumas by Sheryll, who stated that it was "one of the five best books I've ever read."

Recommended Books

"GYNS at Wrk"

"The Fluent Reader"

"Sharing the Pen"

Notes by Kim: The Student center offers popular computer discounts at a significant discount for currently enrolled students. Kim will provide a field trip to the center during lunch.

Final Thoughts: Katherine discussed poet choices and asked class members to submit choices.