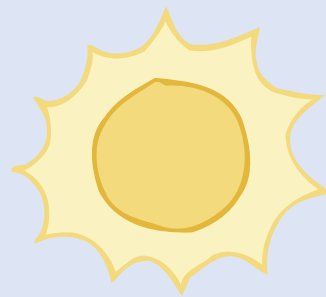
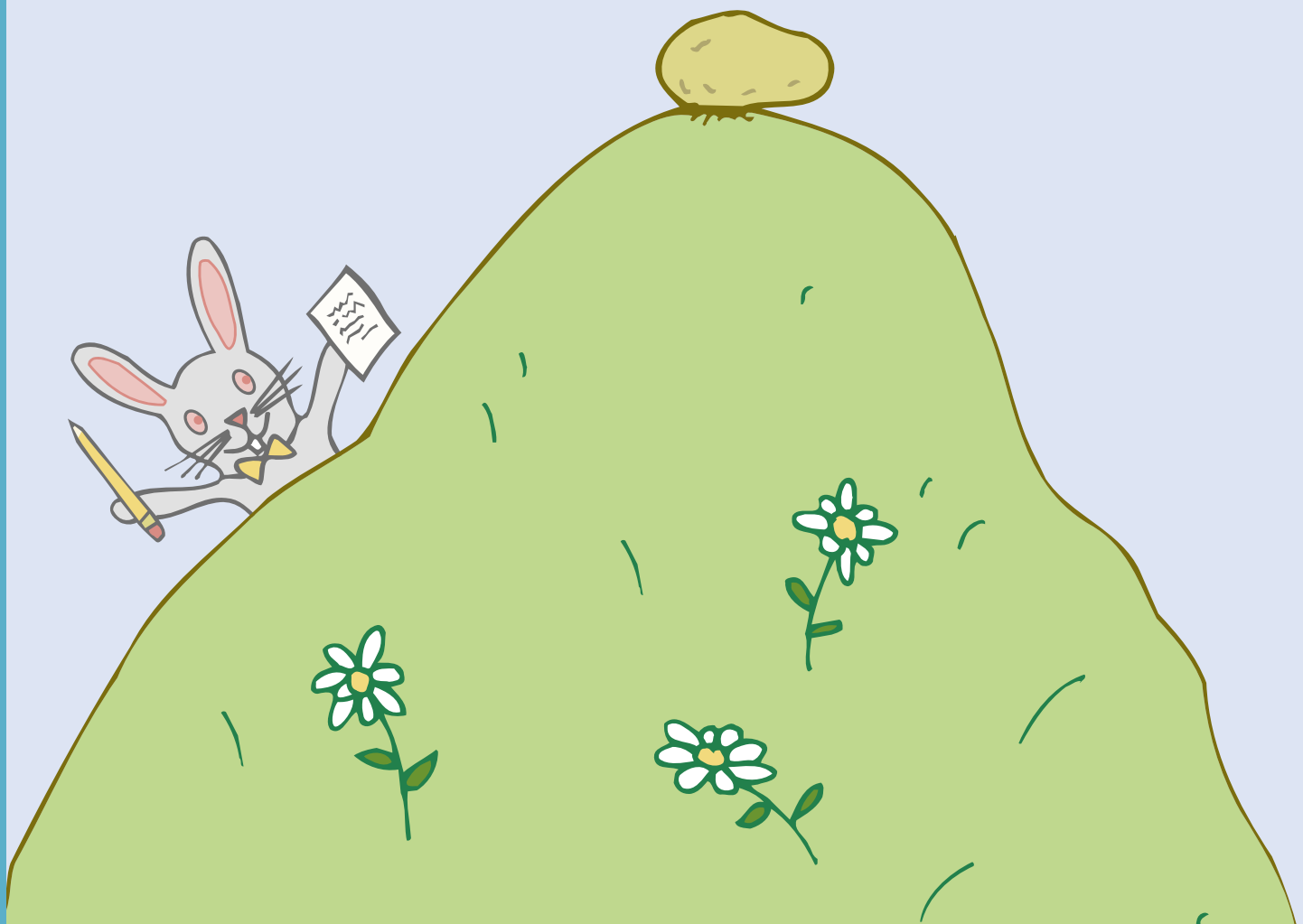


POTATO HILL
POETRY 



Creating a writing classroom

how to set up manage and maintain a successful writing workshop



With Teacher, Shoshannah Starr

For teachers of grades 2-5, reading specialists, librarians, special educators and administrators.

POTATO Hill
POETRY
presents
Shoshy Starr



Shoshanah Starr is an experienced teacher who has taught in multi-age, grade three, and special education classrooms. After thirteen years, she has established a highly successful writing program. Through practice and fine-tuning, Ms. Starr has discovered how to build a classroom where writers have tools for finding topics, where they learn to love (or at least LIKE) writing, and where they have techniques to revise their work and improve their finished products. In short, her kids are excited about writing. Her writing workshop is the core of her classroom. Ms. Starr has led workshops with teachers both in her school and outside of her district to help them redesign their writing and reading workshops.

"Shoshy Starr is an outstanding presenter and talented classroom teacher whose students consistently become incredibly thoughtful, expressive writers. Her workshops are rooted in her own highly successful writing program and are packed with practical approaches and strategies that participants can put to immediate use to help children become engaged, effective writers."

Mary Canner, Elementary School
Principal, Natick MA

CONFERENCE ♦ REVISE

In this workshop, You will learn how to...

- Use mini-lessons to teach individual writing skills
- Guide your writers with direct and honest feedback
- Use student work to teach writing skills
- Manage time to make the most of your writing workshop
- Use writing prompts to motivate reluctant writers
- Create tools for designing a year long successful writing workshop
- Improve your conferencing skills with writers
- Create lessons using poetry and personal narratives to motivate students
- Ask questions to inspire revision

Questions that will be addressed:

- What is my core writing philosophy?
- How often should students be publishing?
- How do I encourage writers to revise their writing?
- What kinds of writing should my students be doing?
- How do I help my reluctant writers?
- How do I get writers to give useful feedback to each other?
- Where should I focus on a student's piece of work?
- How do I maintain an exciting writing workshop in the age of testing?

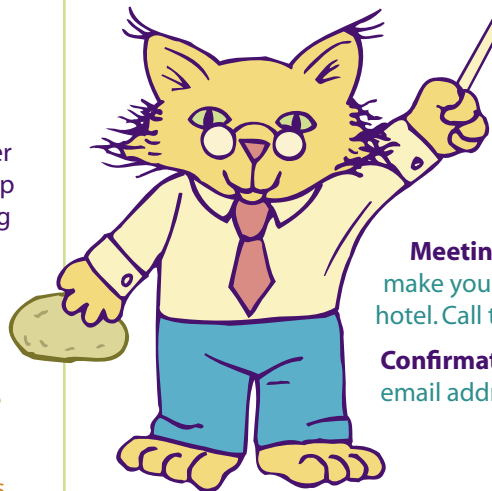


Motivate ♦ Model ♦ INSPIRE

Things to know about the workshop

\$149*
PER PERSON

* group discounts available
see registration form.



All workshops 9AM-3PM

8:30-9:30 Continental Breakfast

Lunch on your own

Cancellations: If you need to cancel, please call Potato Hill Poetry at 1-888-576-3879 24 hours before the date of the workshop. Cancellations 24 hours before the workshop will be fully refunded.

Payment is due prior to the workshop.

Fee includes seminar registration, a personalized certificate of attendance, continental breakfast, and a resource handbook.

Meeting sites and Accommodations. Please make your own hotel reservations directly with the hotel. Call the hotel for directions.

Confirmations are sent via email. An email address is required for confirmation.

**Massachusetts teachers:
we are a PDP provider**

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or visit www.potatohill.com to register!

Registration Form

Email address required for confirmation!



As there is a space limitation, early registration is suggested.

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Find the workshop nearest you!

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Wakefield, MA
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Make check of \$149 per attendee payable to Potato Hill Poetry, PO Box 125 Natick, MA 01760.

DISCOUNT: Bring a colleague and each pay \$129.

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November 29
Freeport, ME
 Hilton
 Garden Inn
 207-865-1433

Fax in your registration: 1-508-652-9858

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 Radisson Hotel
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Bring this workshop to your school!



Ms. Starr offers dynamic, hands-on inservice presentations for small and large groups of teachers throughout the country. To inquire about a workshop for your staff, please call, **888-576-3879**

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Details Inside

"This has been the most beneficial and useful workshop that I have ever attended. The ideas and hands-on activities were meaningful and practical!"
—Kate Lavoie, Elementary Teacher, Taunton, MA

"Ms. Starr showed us how to create a writing atmosphere by immersing us in one. She worked along with us and guided our writing and thinking about teaching writing. Fantastic! I would recommend it to ALL!"
Christine Gerber, Elementary Teacher, Newton, MA


Discover how to motivate and inspire student writers in the classroom.

Writing is at the core Shoshy's classroom community. Her writers are confident about their work. They make use of memories, life experiences, and daily observations to create short pieces, poems, and essays. They see it as their duty to offer constructive feedback to their writing peers.

"Shoshy has a way with children that fosters the perfect classroom environment for creative thought. She has been able to work with our most reluctant writers and help them to see themselves in a new way—as writers and poets, capable of producing beautiful language!"
Linda Waters, Director of Special Education, Franklin, MA Public Schools

How to set up, manage, and maintain a successful writing workshop with Teacher Shoshannah Starr

POTATO HILL POETRY PRESENTS



All attendees receive a handbook full of writing exercises and activities for the classroom.

- 1 Create and manage a successful writing workshop in your classroom.
- 2 Learn mini lessons to sharpen revision and conferencing skills.
- 3 Improve test scores with classroom-based writing exercises.
- 4 Discover the power of mentor texts as models for great writing.
- 5 Transform your writing program to meet the needs of diverse learners.

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