

Children's Literature Resource File Guidelines

During the course of the semester, you will receive numerous handouts, which should be helpful to you in your future career. As a way of compiling a useful resource you are required to organize these handouts in a three ring binder which will be turned in the 14th week of class. The materials for the notebook should be organized into five sections: class handouts and notes; shared readings; author sale handouts; poetry file; technology. The guidelines for each section are provided below.

Class Handouts and Notes 5 pts.

This section should include all handouts provided by the instructor or visiting lecturers. Notes taken during lectures should be included beside the appropriate handout. Handouts should clearly reflect the student's understanding of the concepts included. This might be determined through highlighting and/or written comments.

Shared Readings and Videos 5 pts.

Throughout the semester, books and/or portions of books and videos will be shared. For each item shared in this category, a critical annotation should be completed with comments regarding appropriate classroom use included. A prescribed format for these annotations will be provided.

Author Sale Handouts 5 pts.

As part of the course requirements, each student will develop a handout on his/her chosen author and will provide a copy for all class members. These handouts will be included in this section. These handouts should be arranged alphabetically by the author's last name. Handouts should clearly reflect the student's understanding of the major characteristics of the author's work.

Poetry Collection 5 pts. (Following guidelines: Organization and appropriateness of category choices and professional presentation)

As a requirement for the course, each student must choose three poems, which they feel reflect the characteristics of good poetry for children. These will be duplicated to share with classmates. The total collection will be included in this section of the Resource File. The poems should be organized into relevant categories for convenient classroom use.

Technology Section 5 pts.

This section should include all handouts, printouts, and information related to email and the World Wide Web. You may wish to put this section in a smaller separate notebook and continue to add to it throughout your career.