**(CSLP) Imagine Your Story:**

**Fairy Tales, Mythology, and Fantasy**

2020 Summer Library Reading Workshop Proposal

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**Bio:**

Nancy taught elementary grades for 23 years where her storytelling began. Today she has told to all age levels, conducted storytelling workshops with teachers and students, taught ESL to Korean students in South Korea, and supervised elementary interns from Western Carolina University.

She holds a BA in Education and an MA from East Tennessee State University in storytelling. For her thesis research, Nancy observed and interviewed eight teachers to see how they naturally used storytelling in the classroom. From this research she created a framework of seven natural ways teachers use storytelling. Her workshops have included:

“Basic Storytelling Techniques – For Future Teachers” at Western Carolina University, “Teaching Through Storytelling” with Home School parents,

“Writing and Storytelling” with teachers at the Cullasaja School, NC.

“Writing and Storytelling” with the Western Carolina Reading Council, and

“Art and Storytelling Camp for At Risk Fourth Graders” at Yanceyville, NC

**Workshop Description:**

Stories introduce the following topics, with follow-up discussion and practice to experience the concept more fully. Teaching Methods include working with a partner, group exercises and play-acting.

1. Finding your own natural tendencies to tell a familiar story

2. Discussion of current research supporting the importance of telling stories

3. Activities for character development and child participation

4. Working with basic elements of the story

5. Voice exercises to create characters

6. Connecting storytelling to all five categories of STEAM

7. Using puppets to tell a story

8. Using body language, hand movements and space for story variety

9. Introducing educational concepts through storytelling

10. Create a ‘pretend’ fire ring for telling stories

Nancy is available to each participant via email for any other information.

**Can you deliver the workshop via webinar?**

Yes, I’m affiliated with an online method for delivering information involving participants.

**Website:** www.nancyreeder.com

**Fees and scheduling information:**

I can travel a 100-mile radius from Franklin, NC, which includes North GA, North SC, and East TN. Any additional travel will require overnight and travel expenses.

Fees include: 4-hour session - $125, 8-hour session - $200. I like to set up multiple sessions where discounts are available, and I am willing to work with the library budget.

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