Library Unit Plan: Caldecott Medal

Date: 1/5/15 – 2/20/15 (6 lessons)

Grade: 1 st /2 nd			
Library Standard	Standard 2		
	Students organize, synthesize, and apply new knowledge		
	Standard 4		
	Students pursue personal enrichment and aesthetic growth		
Library Skill	2.1 Organize collected information so it is useful		
Indicator	2.2 Interpret data to draw conclusions from information		
	4.1 Read widely		
Library Benchmark	2.1.a. Use graphic organizers to organize information		
	2.1.b. Demonstrate simple organizational skills such as sorting and		
	categorizing		
	2.2.a. Participate in group discussion to draw conclusions		
	2.2.b. Verbally explain their own interpretation of ideas and		
	information		
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	4.1.a. Recognize a variety of authors and illustrators		
	4.1.b. Explore award lists and recognize the importance of literature awards		
PYP Connections	Central Idea	n/a	
	Line of Inquiry	n/a	
	Key Concept	n/a	
	Learner Profile	Inquirer	
	Attitudes	Appreciation	

	Research Skills	Formulating Questions
	Research Skills	
		Observing
		Collecting Data
		Recording Data
ISTE Connection	Standard	Creativity and innovation
		2. Communication and collaboration
Resources Needed	1. Agenda flipchart	
	2. Lesson flipchart	
	o What do these books have in common?	
	o Caldecott medal history	
	o 1st grade – what makes a Caldecott winner a winner?	
	o 2 nd grade – explain the official winning criteria	
	Caldecott criteria translated	
	o <u>Mock Caldecott</u> graphic organizer	
	3. Books	
	0 Randolp	h Caldecott: the Man Who Could Not Stop
	Drawing by Marcus Leonard	
	 Caldecott medal books for Don't Judge a Book By Its 	
	Cover	
	• 1	Locomotive
	• 7	This is Not My Hat
	• /	A Ball for Daisy
	• /	A Sick Day for Amos McGee
	• 7	The Lion & the Mouse
	• 7	Γhe House at Night
	• <i>I</i>	Flotsam
	• 7	The Hello, Goodbye Window
	• <i>I</i>	Kitten's First Full Moon
	• 1	My Friend Rabbit
	• 7	The Three Pigs
	• 5	So You Want to Be President
	•)	Ioseph Had a Little Overcoat
	• (Officer Buckle and Gloria
		Smoky Night

Tuesday

- Variety (30 40) of Caldecott medal and honor books in tubs
- o 12 Mock Caldecott books from 2014

4. Handouts

- Print copy of the ALA Caldecott criteria (abridged) for each 2nd grader
- o <u>Mock Caldecott graphic organizer</u>
- 5. Sticky notes

Instruction & Activities

Lesson 1: Don't judge a book by its cover

Browsing Caldecott medal winning books

- o Have 4 books at each of the 4 large tables
- o Books are laid flat, open (taped down? nope, didn't have to) so students can't see the cover or spine
- What do these books have in common? (sticky notes? kids didn't choose to use them)
- o 5 minutes per table
- o Record observations on the board
- Now close book and repeat browsing, including the book cover and spine this time, observing and recording

Lesson 2: The Caldecott Medal

- Share briefly about the origin of the Caldecott medal using flipchart & Caldecott book
- Read aloud a Caldecott winner Officer Buckle and Gloria by Peggy Rathman: how do the pictures help tell the story?
- Explore (short 5 minutes tops) tubs of Caldecott winners, homework - can check one out as a bonus book (4 tubs, one at each table)

Lesson 3: What makes a Caldecott book a winner?

1st grade

- o What do you think the Caldecott committee looks for when they review the books?
- o Browse book tubs again this time for 10 minutes
- Brainstorm what you notice (sticky notes?)

o Record observations on the board 2nd grade Have students think/pair/share using the ALA Caldecott criteria. What do they understand about the criteria? o How could you explain these criteria to other students? o Create a chart on the board with their criteria Lesson 4: Voting for Mock Caldecott o Share developed criteria o Browse potential winning books - have students narrow down the books to 5 for the final voting. o Review the voting rubric with student criteria & instructions for voting Lesson 5: Wrapping up Mock Caldecott voting Mock Caldecott voting using rubric o Each student sits with a partner and discusses the book in front of them, recording notes on the graphic organizer. (note: students are sharing a book due to limited resources, they don't have to like or vote for the same book) o 3-5 minutes per book, then the book moves to the next pair Lesson 6: And the Winner Is... o Read 2015 Caldecott winner: The Adventures of Beekle o How did the Caldecott Award winner and Honor books compare to our voting? Student responses recorded on flip chart Assessment graphic organizers with student responses: Mock Caldecott