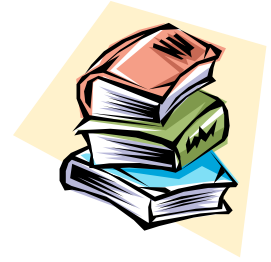


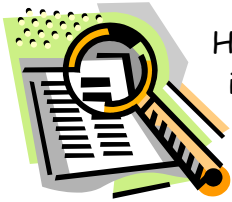
Book Production

By recording the seniors' stories in a book for generations to come, students can greatly serve their community.



There is more to books than just the story. The following suggestions should help develop an appreciation for the processes involved in writing, illustrating, printing, and binding books:

- ❖ Invite a local author to visit your group and discuss how a story is written, from the idea all the way through completion.
- ❖ Invite an artist or illustrator to visit your group and demonstrate different types of illustrations used in books.
- ❖ Visit a printer or book manufacturer and learn about all of the steps involved in producing a finished book (e.g. printing, collating, binding).
- ❖ Have students explore book lingo by finding definitions for the following terms: novel, fiction, non-fiction, author, illustrator, preface, table of contents, chapter, binding, jacket, copyright, publisher, bibliophile, trade book, manuscript, soft-bound, hard-bound, call number, folio, bibliography



Have students work in teams for a Book Scavenger Hunt. Their checklist may include: craft book, book review, telephone book, index, publisher information, cookbook, coloring book, catalog, reference book, crossword puzzle book, title page, book with a specific copyright date, first page from a specific chapter in a book, author bio.

If your group does not have resources to publish a book, the following activities provide an alternative.

Record interviews or other original stories in a handmade book to share with your senior, including illustrations, title page, page numbers, and author bios.

- ❖ **Materials** - Books can be made out of just about any materials, including: folders, cardboard, cloth, construction paper, cardstock, or paper bags.
- ❖ **Design** - Consider all of your options. You may want to incorporate some of the following: things from nature, computer graphics, freestyle drawings, quotes, fonts of different sizes and styles, illustrations with different art materials (e.g. pencil, pen, markers, crayons, charcoal), different shapes, photographs, and food items.



Share your finished books with your seniors and see what they think!