Teaching Writing with Picture Books as Models

Memorable Language

| Title | Author | ISBN |
|---|----------------------|------|
| All the Places to Love | Patricia MacLachlan | |
| All the Secrets of the | Patricia MacLachlan | |
| World | | |
| Fireflies! | Julie Brinckloe | |
| Grandpa's Face | Eloise Greenfield | |
| Harlem | Walter Dean Meyers | |
| Home Place (just-right words) | Crescent Dragonwagon | |
| I'm in Charge of | Bryd Baylor | |
| Celebrations | | |
| Jumanji | Chris Van Allsburg | |
| Letting Swift River Go | Jane Yolen | |
| Lotus Seed | Sherry Garland | |
| Midnight in the | Julie Lawson | |
| Mountains | | |
| My Mama Had A Dancing Heart | Libba Moore Gray | |
| Nothing Ever Happens on 90 th Street (ideas) | Roni Schotter | |
| Owl Moon | Jane Yolen | |
| Any Books | Patricia Polacco | |
| Sky Tree | Thomas Locker | |
| The Memory Box | Mary Kay Shanley | |
| The Relatives Came | Cynthia Rylant | |
| The Seashore Book | Charlotte Zolotow | |
| When I Go Camping with | Marion Dane Bauer | |
| Grandpa | | |
| Water Dance | Thomas Locker | |
| Any Books (verbs) | William Steig | |

Memories

| Title | Author | ISBN |
|------------------------|---------------------|------|
| All the Places to Love | Patricia MacLachlan | |
| An Angel for Solomon | Cynthia Rylant | |
| Singer | | |
| Fireflies! | Julie Brinckloe | |
| Midnight in the | Julie Lawson | |
| Mountains | | |
| My Mama Had a Dancing | Libba Moore Gray | |

| Heart | | |
|--------------------|------------------|--|
| Roxaboxen | Barbara Cooney | |
| Tar Beach | Faith Ringgold | |
| The Memory Box | Mary Bahr | |
| When the Relatives | Cynthia Rylant | |
| Came | | |
| Any Book | Patricia Polacco | |

Mood

| Title | Author | ISBN |
|------------------------|---------------------|------|
| Daydreamers | Eloise Greenfield | |
| Grandma's Joy | Eloise Greenfield | |
| Home Run | Robert Burleigh | |
| I Call It Sky | Will C. Howell | |
| Island Summer | Catherine Stock | |
| Just a Dream | Chris Van Allsburg | |
| My Mama Had a Dancing | Libba Moore Gray | |
| Heart | | |
| Owl Moon | Jane Yolen | |
| The Ghost Eye Tree | Bill Martin Jr. | |
| The Sea Shore Book | Charlotte Zolotow | |
| What You Know First | Patricia MacLachlan | |
| White Dynamite & Curly | Bill Martin Jr. | |
| Kid | | |
| The Storm Book | Charlotte Zolotow | |
| Tight Times | Barbara Shook Hazen | |

Voice and Point of View

| Title | Author | ISBN |
|------------------------|------------------|------|
| Chicken Sunday | Patricia Polacco | |
| Gila Monsters Meet You | Marjorie Sharmat | |
| at the Airport | | |
| Knots on a Counting | Bill Martin Jr. | |
| Rope | | |
| My House Has Stars | Megan McDonald | |
| My Momma's Kitchen | Jerdine Nelen | |
| The Pain & the Great | Judy Blume | |
| One | | |
| The River Runs Wild | Lynne Cherry | |
| The Kapok Tree | Lynne Cherry | |
| The True Story of the | Joe Sciezka | |
| Three Little Pigs | | |

| Through Grandpa's Eyes | Patricia MacLachlan | |
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| When I was Young in the | Cynthia Rylant | |
| Mountains | | |
| Alexander Books | Judith Viorst | |

Character Traits

| Title | Author | ISBN |
|------------------------|--------------------|------|
| Amazing Grace | Mary Hoffman | |
| Amos and Boris | William Steig | |
| Brave Irene | William Steig | |
| Chrysanthemum | Kevin Henkes | |
| Crow Boy | T. Yashima | |
| Enchanted Hair Tale | Alexia De Veaux | |
| Flossie & the Fox | Patricia McKissack | |
| Let the Celebration | Margaret Wild | |
| BEGIN! | | |
| Little Nino's Pizzeria | Karen Barbour | |
| Miss Rumphius | Barbara Cooney | |
| Mr. Belinsky's Bagel | Ellen Schwartz | |
| My Great Aunt Arizona | Gloria Houston | |
| Odd Velvet | Mary Whitcomb | |
| Song and Dance Man | Karen Whitcomb | |
| The Memory Coat | Evira Woodruff | |
| Any Books | Patricia Polacco | |

Character Motivation and Development

| Title | Author | ISBN |
|------------------------|------------------|------|
| Amazing Grace | Mary Hoffman | |
| Amos & Boris | William Steig | |
| Brave Irene | William Steig | |
| Strong to the Hoop | John Coy | |
| Thank You Mr. Falker | Patricia Polacco | |
| The Wednesday Surprise | Eve Bunting | |
| An Angel for Solomon | Cynthia Rylant | |
| Singer | | |
| Coming Home | Floyd Cooper | |
| The Memory Box | Mary Bahr | |

Character Relationships

| Title | Author | ISBN |
|--------------|---------------|------|
| Amos & Boris | William Steig | |

| Chicken Sunday | Patricia Polacco |
|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Fly Away Home | Eve Bunting |
| Grandpa According to Me | C. Bell |
| Grandpa's Face | Eloise Greenfield |
| In the Time of the Drum | Kim Siegelson |
| My Mamma Had A | Libba Moore Gray |
| Dancing Heart | |
| Peach and Blue | Sarah Kilborne |
| Sunshine Home | Eve Bunting |
| Song and Dance Man | Karen Ackerman |
| The Chalk Doll | Charlotte Pomerante |
| The Memory Box | Mary Bahr |
| The Memory Coat | Elvira Woodruff |
| The Two of Them | Aliki |
| The Wednesday Surprise | Eve Bunting |
| Through Grandpa's Eyes | Patricia MacLachlan |
| When I Go Camping with | Marion Bauer |
| Grandma | |
| White Dynamite and | Bill Martin Jr. |
| Curly Kid | |

Strong Theme

| Title | Author | ISBN |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|------|
| Amazing Grace | Mary Hoffman | |
| Amos & Boris | Kevin Henkes | |
| Chrysanthemum | Kevin Henkes | |
| Feathers and Fools | Mem Fox | |
| Fireflies | Julie Grinckloe | |
| Grateful: A Song of Giving Thanks | John Bucchino | |
| Horton Hears a Who | Dr. Seuss | |
| I Have an Olive Tree | Eve Bunting | |
| I Wish I were a Butterfly | James Howe | |
| Lilly's Purple Plastic | Kevin Henkes | |
| Purse | | |
| My Little Island | Fran Lessac | |
| Odd Velvet | Mary Whitcomb | |
| Smoky Nights | Eve Bunting | |
| Sunshine Home | Eve Bunting | |
| The Big Box | Toni Morrison | |
| The Giving Tree | Shel Silverstein | |
| The Little Red | H. Swift | |
| Lighthouse & the Great | | |
| Bridge | | |

| The Memory Box | Mary Bahr | |
|------------------------|------------------|--|
| When I Go Camping with | Marion Bauer | |
| Grandma | | |
| Assorted Books | Patricia Polacco | |

Strong Beginnings

| Title | Author | ISBN |
|------------------------|------------------|------|
| Alexander and the | Judith Viorst | |
| Terrible, Horrible, No | | |
| Good, Very Bad Day | | |
| Hey Al | Arthur Yorinks | |
| My Mama Had A Dancing | Libba Moore Gray | |
| Heart | | |
| Shrek | William Steig | |
| Thank You Mr. Falker | Patricia Polacco | |
| The Memory Box | Mary Shanley | |
| Wilfred Gordon | Mem Fox | |
| McDonald Partridge | | |

Timing Techniques

| Title | Author | ISBN |
|----------------------------|----------------------|------|
| A River Ran Wild | Lynne Cherry | |
| (flashback, circular) | | |
| Home Place (flashback) | Crescent Dragonwagon | |
| Home Run (hot spots) | Robert Burleigh | |
| Island Summer (passing | Catherine Stock | |
| of one year) | | |
| Midnight in the | Julie Lawson | |
| Mountains (flashback, | | |
| slowing down, focus, one | | |
| day) | | |
| Miss Rumphius | Barbara Cooney | |
| (flashback, passing of | | |
| years) | | |
| Owl Moon (focus) | Jane Yolen | |
| Roxaboxen (chrono) | Barbara Cooney | |
| The Little Island (passing | Golden MacDonald | |
| of time) | | |
| The Storm Book (focus) | | |
| White Dynamite & | Bill Martin Jr. | |
| Curley Kid (focus) | | |
| When I was Young in the | Cynthia Rylant | |

| Mountains (snapshot) | |
|------------------------|--|
| Patricia Polacco books | |
| (chrono, focus) | |

Interior Monologue

| Title | Author | ISBN |
|--------------------|---------------------|------|
| I Know a Lady | Patricia MacLachlan | |
| Earrings | Judith Viorst | |
| Strong to the Hoop | John Coy | |
| The Ghost Eye Tree | Bill Martin Jr. | |
| The Memory Box | Mary Shanley | |
| Alexander Books | Judith Viorst | |

Dialogue

| Title | Author | ISBN |
|--------------------------|-----------------|------|
| Bill Pickett Rodeo Ridin | Andrea Pinkney | |
| Cowboy | | |
| Dr. DeSoto Goes to | William Steig | |
| Africa | | |
| Journey to Freedom | Courtni Wright | |
| Strong to the Hoop | John Coy | |
| The Ghost Eye Tree | Bill Martin Jr. | |
| White Dynamite & Curly | Bill Martin Jr. | |
| Kid | | |

Add Hanna's Cold Winter to Drama