



STORIES IN THE CLASSROOM



WHY STORIES?

“Because story is how humans assimilate information and opinions, it’s the natural place to help students see that their story is valid” -- Liz Prather, 52



REPRESENTATION

Stories allow students to see not only themselves in stories, but their classmates as well.

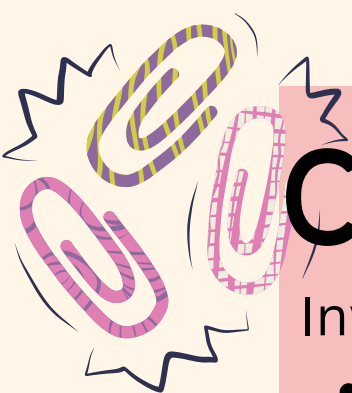
Novels are referred to as “mirror” texts that help adolescent students in their search for identity...” -- Ashley Strickland



INVOLVEMENT

“Students need opportunities to put their learning into action and practice” - Gholdy Muhammad, 72

It is important to have students involved in the classroom. This allow students to feel connected to the material.



CLASSROOM EXAMPLES

Involve students by:

- Having them choose the novels read in the classroom
- Have in-depth classroom discussions
- Infographic Projects

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