Using Diverse Genres to Develop Emerging Readers

How Reading Different Genres Affects Young Readers

- Exposing children to diverse genres will help them to become more confident as readers.
- Reading different genres will help students build comprehension skills.
- Reading across genres shows students that text appears in many ways and for many purposes
- Reading from diverse genres can expand a child's vocabulary.

Building Comprehension Skills with Different Genres

- Different genres of literature help emerging readers focus on different elements.
- Students will be drawn to different genres.
- Having books students want to read will help build intrinsic motivation.

Intrinsic Motivation in Emerging Readers

- Highly engaged readers use strategies that are internally motivated.
- These readers show higher achievement than those who are not internally motivated.
- Students who struggle with comprehension tend to be less motivated readers.

Engagement = Enjoyment Building a Love of Reading

- When a student finds something they want to read they will be more inclined to keep reading.
- This is why using diverse genres is useful for developing emerging readers.

Fables

- Fables can develop vocabulary.
- Fables appeal to a young person's sense of justice.
- Fables can inspire young people to be like their heroes.



References

Poetry

- Poetry engages students academically but also emotionally.
- Reading poetry also gets children to think about language.

Non-Fiction

- Non-fiction helps students focus on helpful text features and real-life details.
- Non-Fiction is great for cross-curricular connections which help engagement.