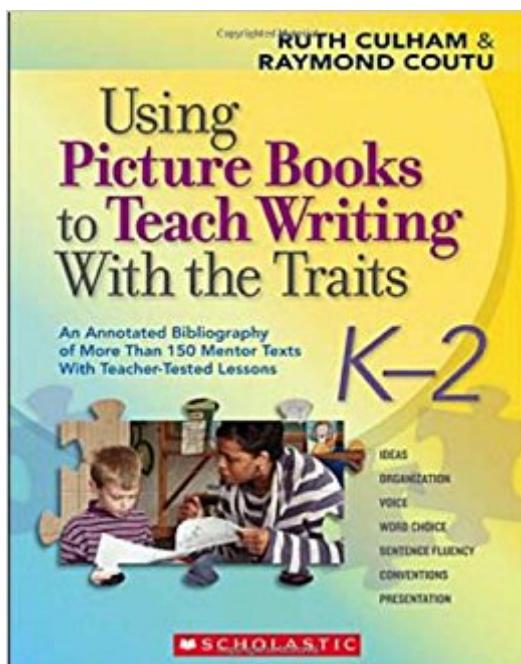


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# Using Picture Books To Teach Writing With The Traits: K-2: An Annotated Bibliography Of More Than 150 Mentor Texts With Teacher-Tested Lessons



## **Synopsis**

Good teachers have long recognized the power of using picture books as models of good writing. The short, focused, and tightly woven text mirrors the kind of writing they want their students to be doing. In this essential resource, the authors have organized by trait more than 150 annotations of new and classic books that will delight young students and inspire powerful writing. Peppered throughout are 18 step-by-step, trait-focused lessons based on specific books. For use with Grades K-2.

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## **Customer Reviews**

RUTH CULHAM, ED.D, a pioneering researcher of the 6+1 Trait MODEL, is president of Culham Writing Company, which offers first-class workshops designed to help beginning and experienced teachers implement the model in K-12 classrooms. Prior to founding her company Ruth was assessment program unit manager at Northwest Regional Education Laboratory and English Teacher of the Year in Montana, a highlight of her 19-year teaching career. RAYMOND COUTU has been developing and producing professional materials for teachers for more than twenty years, first for Houghton Mifflin, then Heinemann, and currently Scholastic. He has also served as an editor on Instructor magazine, written books for children, and tutored children in reading and writing.

I hope the author will make an updated version of this book, because a lot of the books used here is out of print and I couldn't get them anymore.

Although my school does not use the writing traits as our writing program, I purchased this book because I was looking for ways to incorporate more interesting mini-lessons in my instruction. This book makes it so easy for you to choose a focus skill, locate an applicable book that is interesting and/or familiar for your students, and help the trait "come to life". I also help provide professional development for my elementary staff, and have used this as a resource during my presentations. Totally worth the investment!

This book is an amazing resource for teaching the six traits of writing. It gives teachers simple lesson plans to follow for each trait. The book also includes a bibliography of several picture books to use which show the focused trait and the lessons can easily be adapted to use these books. Finally, there are follow up lessons and ideas for each trait. This is just what I have been looking for because it makes teaching the traits fun and easy. My students love it! We even purchased a book for every teacher on my grade level.

I'm a first year fourth grade teacher and always on the lookout for good resources. I'm so glad I found this one. When I first introduced picture books into my mini lessons, I explained that picture books aren't "baby" books -- there are so many high quality, beautifully written and illustrated books out there. Students love the books, they are engaged in lessons, and they use the books as references for their writing. In addition to the many detailed lesson plans throughout the book, there is a comprehensive listing of things to do with other picture book titles.

hope my teachers will enjoy this book as much as I do

I bought this mainly to use as a booklist, I haven't tried the lessons included in the book and couldn't really tell you if it improved my son's writing skills. It's best used in a classroom as most of the activities can be boring when done alone.

Great tool for 1st grade & above. Fun to read.

Great ideas for teaching writing with mentor texts. It was recommended to me in a workshop.

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