**E-Book Writers Club**

This was a low cost program to run. We had six regular participants, but up to fifteen children is ideal for a fun writing group. This is for ages 6-10.

1. Tumble Books (first 10 to 15 minutes of program)

* Have a projection screen and projector set up.
* Depending on the age range of the children, give the children a choice between two Tumble books, and play one!

1. Storybird (2nd 15-30 minutes of the program).

* Show children how to log in, select art and create a picture book on Storybird.
* Give them a writing assignment on a theme of your choice that you have set within Storybird (i.e. choose two cat pictures and write one sentence about each) OR let them write what they want.

1. Stretch break! (3rd activity: 10-15 minutes)

Options:

* Turn on the CD player or iPod and do a Freeze Dancing stretch game.
* Play “Keep It Up” With Balloons
* Other games suggested by children.

1. Writing time! (4th activity: 15-30 minutes)

* Give children a choice:

1. More time with Storybird.
2. Writing time!

Lay out the following

* New notebooks
* Used magazines
* Scissors
* Glue
* Pens, pencils.
* Writing prompts (i.e. My school vacation was the best because…)

Let them decorate and write away!

1. These first four ideas are normally enough for a 60-90 minute program. Should you need more ideas …

* Snack time so that kids can discuss what they are writing
* Read a picture book about writing
* Booktalk books on OverDrive and show kids what other e-books look like
* Play broken telephone