

TRU 100: READ Story times, Websites and Webinars

Many TRU 100:READ students took advantage of technology to reach out to children remotely to get them excited about books.

Halloween Story Time

Project Captain: Allison Maschhoff

Date: Sat. Oct. 31

Project: Students took to Zoom to read children spooky stories in celebration of Halloween: *The Monster at the End of This Book* by Jon Stone, *Dino-Halloween* by Lisa Wheeler, *How to Catch a Monster* by Adam Wallace, *Bonapart Falls Apart* by Margery Cuyler, and *The Haunted Halloween Party* (Scooby-Doo! Readers #20) by Gail Herman.

Student Volunteers: Stran Henry, Rose Kippenbrock, Ella Schnake, Hannah Stith, Samantha Wilson

Quote from TRU 100 Action Group:

"Our project aimed to bring spooky stories to life to get kids excited about reading. When students hear books read aloud to them, they are more easily able to enjoy stories and see the possibilities that reading brings. We were able to share some of our favorite Halloween books and in doing so provided both a fun and educational experience. Our group was proud of the work that we did towards sharing the transformative power of literature."

Dial-A-Story

Community Partner: Cory Landon, Children's Librarian at the Adair Co. Library

Project Captain: Allison Maschhoff

Project: TRU 100: READ students recorded themselves reading stories so that children who called the phone number set up by the Adair Co. Library (660-234-9599) could hear the stories read aloud. Since the Adair Co. Library cannot hold story times in person because of the pandemic, this was a great way to still reach children.

Student Volunteers: Aubrie Grubbs, Maddie Jackson, Delainy Kroeger, Eastlyn Koons, Sam Myers, Stephanie Nau, Camron Partlow, Carly Printy, Emma Scherrer, Ellie TenEyck, Savannah Thomas, Benjamin Tracy

Adair Co. Library Storytime & Craft Videos

Community Partner: Cory Landon, Children's Librarian at the Adair Co. Library

Project Captain: Maura Shimmens

Project: For this project students teamed up to create story time and craft videos for the Adair Co. Public Library. The videos were posted on the Adair Co. Library's Facebook page for kids to watch and do the crafts at home.

Student Volunteers: Logan Blevins, Elizabeth Harness, Jacqueline Lewis

Websites:

<https://www.facebook.com/adaircountypubliclibrary/>

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/17n1LuBfzRjrjnYp5zlpQDIqT00U0rcw/view?usp=sharing>

Literary Resource Website

Project Captain: Jordan Marshall

Project: TRU 100 students created a website to recommend books to children.

Student Volunteers: Keridan Gossrau, Mason Konecnik

Website: <https://kmg5155.wixsite.com/website-1>

Graphic Novel Zoom Webinar

Project: A TRU 100 student introduced middle schoolers to the graphic novel through weekend webinars held on Saturday and Sunday afternoons via Zoom. Each session was devoted to discussing different aspects of the history of the graphic novel and introduced children to a wide range of graphic novel styles and genres.

Student Volunteers: Leighya McNeely

Zoom Story Times

A number of TRU 100: Read students teamed up to offer Zoom story times to Kirksville kids.

Oscar Zoom Story Time

Project Captain: Taylor Branson, tdb7144@truman.edu.

Project: Students created weekly story times for a child.

Student Volunteers: Elizabeth Harness, Abbey Klein, Andrew McDonald, Rena Owens

YouTube for Tots

Project Captain: Alyson Talbott, art8773@truman.edu

Project: Students will record readings of children's books for different age levels and post them to a YouTube channel.

Student Volunteers: Regan Bohanan, Josh Bowen, Brody Leath, Travis Wilson

Zoom Story Time

Project Captain: Lea Moose, lkm6546@truman.edu

Project: Students conducted Zoom story times for children on Thursdays at 4:30 pm from October 8th to November 19th.

Student Volunteers: Nellea Dovin, Phoebe Ferris, Maddie MacDonough, Miranda Scheel, Molly Wease

Quotes from TRU 100 Volunteers:

"I really enjoyed the opportunities the Tru 100 Read class gave me. Being able to read to and connect with the students was very enjoyable! The students really seemed to enjoy fun, light-hearted stories. I am so grateful to have been able to help promote literacy in the Adair County area." -Nellea Dovin

"I really appreciated the opportunity to expand my schedule and do something with the Kirksville community. It was a nice break from studying textbooks all day, and being able to interact with kids made it even better. As a potential future educator, it was a great opportunity to gain some experience. I enjoyed picking out the books and watching kids' reactions as I read to them. It definitely made the semester more interesting and enjoyable." -- Molly Wease

"I really enjoyed reading with the kids in Adair County. I had so much fun reading books from when I was little and learning about what they like to read. I really liked helping promote literacy and positivity in Kirksville. The kids seemed to really enjoy reading with us too! They were so excited to tell us about their favorite books!" -Phoebe Ferris (pictured below)



“The opportunity to promote children’s literature in Kirksville and nearby areas through our action project has been an incredible experience. I have truly enjoyed reading to children over zoom and having the opportunity to interact with them. I know it definitely was a highlight of my day each time I read in the zoom and I hope the sessions had a similar effect on the children as well!” - Miranda Scheel (pictured below)

