

Innovation Award: Final Evaluation 2022-23

Marcie B. Kurka (Pioneer, 3rd grade)

Grant: Story Builders

Project Summary:

As we begin to wrap up the school year, I am inviting my students to reflect on their experiences this school year. We are looking at our progress and defining what it truly means to achieve/meet goals. One area of academics that we focused greatly on this year was writing! Writing is a tough topic for many students but with the proper practice and guidance, all students can increase their abilities!

On the first day of school, I have students write me an essay where they describe 3 different things they did over summer vacation. A few students are able to create simple sentences, most containing numerous grammatical errors with almost no extra details while others turn in blank papers simply because they are unable to write! This year I was able to add the Story Builders writing bins to our weekly/daily writing routine and wow, what a difference! The Story Builder bins allowed my students to be creative and describe scenes based on what they created with the different objects. The possibilities of the stories they could create were endless!

Evidence:

The evidence I was able to collect showed that 100% of my students made progress in their creative writing skills. I have included various samples of pre and post writing samples in this final evaluation. The “wow” moment in our classroom was when two students, who are newcomers to the United States, with limited English proficiency, were able to successfully create a well developed sentence based on their Story Builder bin creation.

Pre-Assessment Writing Scores:(Scoring based on ability to write a complete sentence)

15 students scored below grade level

4 students scored proficient level

3 students scored above grade level

Post-Assessment Writing Scores: (Scoring based on ability to write a complete sentence).

4 students scored below grade level

10 students scored proficient level

6 students scored above grade level

Money Spent: (RECEIPTS ATTACHED)

\$61.37 (Amazon)

\$61.94 (Amazon)

\$340.88 (Amazon)

\$73.20 (Amazon)

-32.04 (return to Amazon)

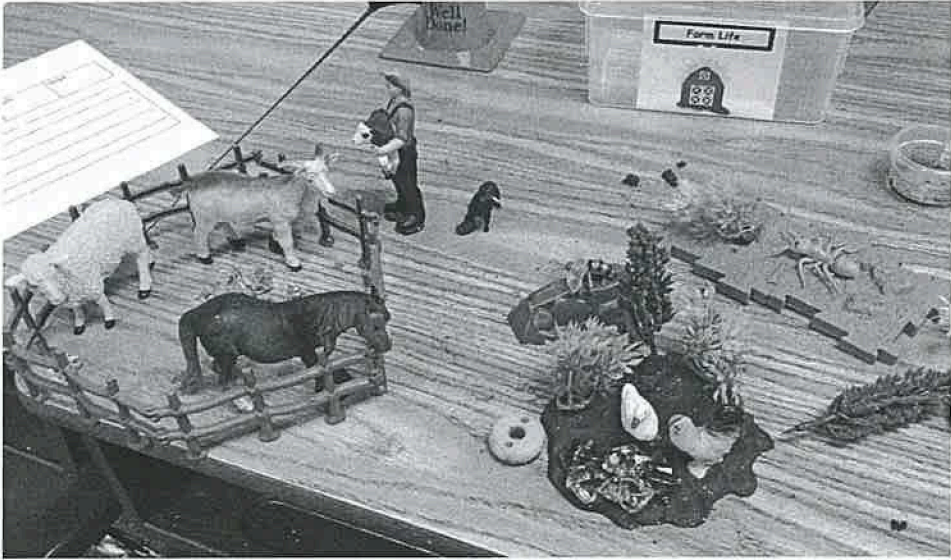
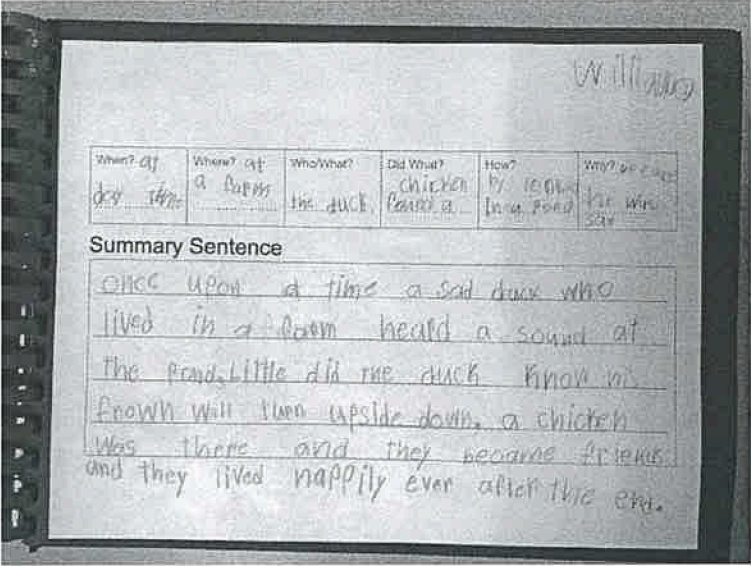
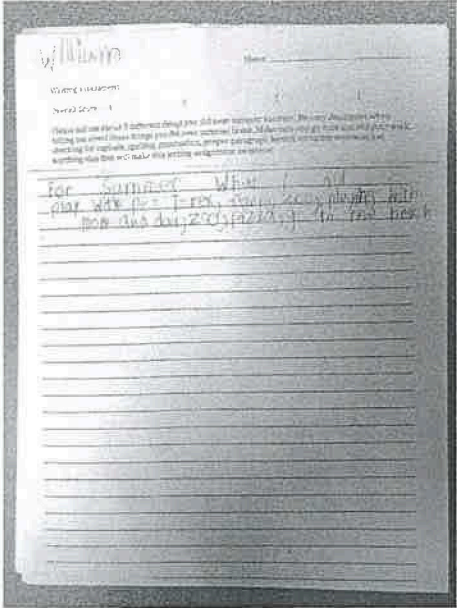
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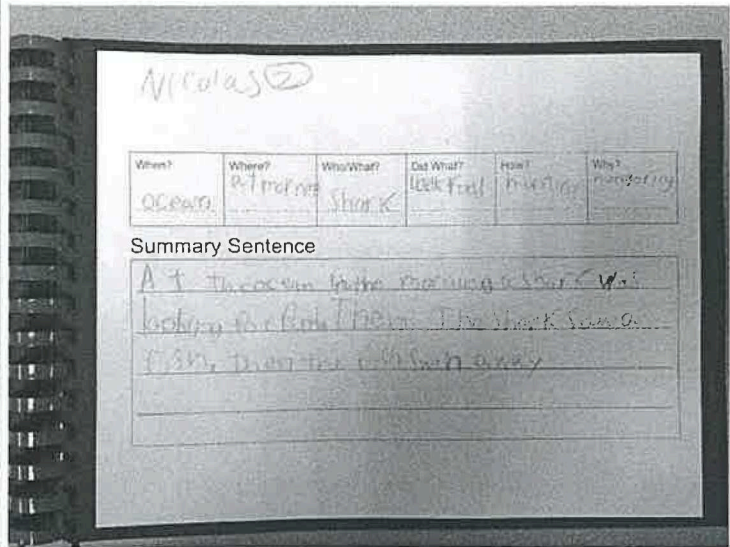
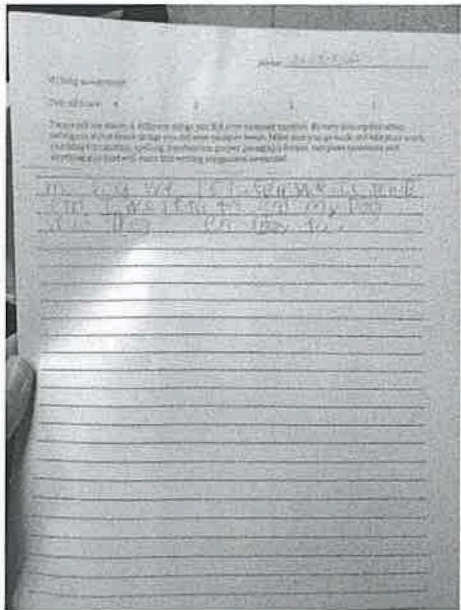
Next Steps:

One area that I would like to improve upon next year is to add vocabulary cards to each bin. Even though students had the ability to use their ipad for spelling and vocabulary support, I believe by adding specific vocabulary cards (or sheets) to accompany the bins will help the students be more successful in developing their writing skills. Oftentimes, I would see students struggling with the ipad, attempting to "find" the right word, which in turn, slowed their progress down, causing some to run out of time and were able to finish their story. Additionally, I would like to find a "better" writing template for my advanced students to use. I did feel my basic writing summary template held a few students back from developing a full complete story. A few students had higher writing skills and were able to see through the basic writing template and took their writing to the next level by adding multiple layers to their stories. Overall the Story Builder bins were a huge success in my classroom and the skills the students were able to gain and apply were monumental.

I will certainly continue to use my Story Builder Bins next year! Using these bins became the highlight of their week! They truly looked forward to building their story with the props and then loved writing about it! Thank you again to the Escondido Education Foundation for making this grant possible. I appreciate the opportunity to fulfill an idea that I have had for quite some time! This project would not have been possible without your support. YOU made a difference in 22 student lives this year and I know in my heart that the Story Builder Bins will have a lasting impression on these students!

Writing Samples:
Pre/Post





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Order Placed: January 4, 2023

Amazon.com order number: 114-6358389-0454624

Order Total: \$61.37



Shipped on January 4, 2023

Items Ordered

Price

1 of: *24pcs Mini Dinosaur Figures and Dinosaur Skeletons, Plastic Dinosaurs Assorted Dinosaur Cupcake Toppers for Girls Boys Ages 3 and Up*

\$11.99

Sold by: Kindersee ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

Shipping Address:

Marcie B Kurka
624 SONOMA ST
SAN MARCOS, CA 92078-4250
United States

Shipping Speed:

Rush Shipping

Shipped on January 4, 2023

Items Ordered

Price

1 of: *19PCS Planets Solar System Astronaut Figure Toy Children Solar Power Kit Space Exploration Spaceman Science Kit School Diorama Project for Kids Party Birthday Gift*

\$21.99

Sold by: BRE TOYIN COMMERCE ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

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Items Ordered

Price

1 of: *HEHALI 1000pcs Multicolor Pom Pom Balls, Assorted Sizes & Colors Pompoms for Arts and Craft Making Decorations*

\$12.99

Sold by: Octter ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

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Rush Shipping

Shipped on January 4, 2023

Items Ordered**Price**

1 of: *BAENRCY 32pcs 0.79-6.30inch Mixed Model Trees Accessories Model Train Scenery Architecture Trees Model Scenery with No Stands(All Green)* \$9.99

Sold by: David-sunwin ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

Shipping Address:

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Shipping Speed:

Rush Shipping

Payment information**Payment Method:**

Amazon.com Visa Signature | Last digits: 8842

Item(s) Subtotal: \$56.96

Shipping & Handling: \$2.99

Free Shipping: -\$2.99

Billing address

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 Escondido, CA 92026
 United States

Total before tax: \$56.96

Estimated tax to be collected: \$4.41

Grand Total:\$61.37

Credit Card transactions

Visa ending in 8842: January 4, 2023:\$14.00

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Order Total: \$61.94

Shipped on January 4, 2023

Items Ordered

Price

1 of: *DOITEM Insect Bug Toy Figures for Kids, 45Pack Realistic Insects Toy for Kid Colorful Assorted Play Bug for Children Toddler Education Insect Themed Party Gift for Halloween Filler Cupcake Topper* \$9.99
Sold by: Wartoon ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

1 of: *Toyvian 10pcs Volcano Toy Volcano kit Volcano Toy Birthday Party Supplies Volcanic Eruption Model* \$10.59
Sold by: Rony mar ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

1 of: *DomeStar Gray Fake Ice Rocks, 150PCS Gray Acrylic Crushed Ice Rocks Translucent Diamonds Grey Plastic Gems Marble Vases Fillers Table Scatter Decorations* \$7.99
Sold by: Rainbow Town ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

Shipping Address:

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United States

Shipping Speed:

Standard Shipping

Shipped on January 5, 2023

Items Ordered

Price

1 of: *FUTUREPLUSX Flat Glass Marbles 1Lb, 100PCS Fill 0.3L Vol. Premium Blue Mixed Color Flat Gems Fish Tank Rocks Vase Filler Beads Table Scatter Décor* \$9.99
Sold by: FuturePlusX ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

1 of: *PMLAND Acrylic Ice Rocks Crystals Gems 180 Pieces Bag for Vase Filler Table Scatter Party Wedding Arts Crafts Decoration and Display - Assorted* \$8.95
Sold by: PMLAND ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

1 of: *DomeStar Premium Blue Fake Ice, 150PCS 2.5Cups Acrylic Ice Rocks Plastic Rocks Acrylic Stones Crushed Ice Cubes Diamonds Gems for Vase Fillers Decoration* \$9.99
Sold by: Rainbow Town ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

Shipping Address:

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*** Order Total: \$340.88 ***

Shipped on January 5, 2023

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1 of: *Farm Animals Figurines Toys, 53PCS Realistic Plastic Farm Playset with Fences Soil Puzzle Blocks, Farm Figures Learning Educational Toys for Boys Girls, Toddlers Cupcake Topper Birthday Set*

\$22.99

Sold by: VOUCSN ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

1 of: *Realistic Plastic Primitive Humans Prehistoric Animals Life Model Scene Ornaments Mini Simulation Cavemen Living and Hunting Scene Figurines Wildlife Mammoth Saber-Toothed Cat Model*

\$20.99

Sold by: Hiawbon ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

1 of: *Ocean Sea Animals Figures, 60 Pack Mini Plastic Deep Underwater Life Creatures Set, STEM Educational Shower Bath Toys Gift for Baby Toddler Cupcake Toppers Party Supplies with Turtle Octopus Shark*

\$15.99

Sold by: Kimicare ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

1 of: *Action Figures Hero Adventures Ultimate Super Hero Set, lasama 26 Mini Figures Toys Set , Ideal for Christmas, Easter Eggs, Hero Cake Toppers, Collectibles, Holiday Party Favors for Kids*

\$16.99

Sold by: DINKY Direct ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

Shipping Address:

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Shipping Speed:

FREE Prime Delivery

Shipped on January 4, 2023

Items Ordered

Price

1 of: *91pcs Model Trees Mixed Miniature Trees Model Train Scenery Fairy Garden Trees Diorama Trees Artificial Wargame Trees Model Railroad Scenery Diorama Supplies for DIY Scenery Landscape*

\$9.99

Sold by: TOP MOMOONNON MALL ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

1 of: *Safari 660404 Super Toobs Friendly Fairies Miniature*

\$21.40

Sold by: Avalanche Brands ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

1 of: *4 Pcs Miniature Mermaid Figurines, Mermaid Doll Cake Toppers, Mermaid Figure Collection Playset, Birthday Cake Decoration* \$7.99
Sold by: xiuxianmaiganren ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

1 of: *HYG Fairy Garden Accessories, Miniature Kit, Undersea Paradise, Mini Ocean Asseseries, Seabed Scenery Accessories Outdoor Figurines Set (a) a 8*8*9 2110111905* \$14.99
Sold by: ezhoushitainandianzishangwuyouxiangongsi ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

1 of: *BBERwite 16Pcs Little Farmer People Figures Realistic Hand Painted Farmer People Figurines Plastic Farm Keeper Figurines Preschool Educational Learn Cognitive Christmas Toys for Kids* \$28.97
Sold by: YIYOUKEJI ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

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Shipping Speed:

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Items Ordered

1 of: *IRIS USA 5.9 Qt. Plastic Storage Container Bin with Latching Lid, Stackable Nestable Shoe Box Tote Shoebox Closet Organization School Art Supplies - Clear, 20 Pack* **Price** \$29.74
Sold by: Amazon.com Services LLC

Condition: New

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Items Ordered

1 of: *Mini Arctic Animals Figurines Set, 18Pcs Polar Animals Toy for Toddlers Realistic Plastic Arctic Reindeer White Whale Polar Bear Arctic Fox Wolf Figure Toy for Kids Diorama Birthday Gift* **Price** \$17.69
Sold by: yutuo ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

1 of: *Mini Safari Jungle Rain Forest Animals Play Set, Assorted Creatures, 28 ct (2 Sets of 14)- Kids Miniature Party Favors, Bag Stuffer, Pinata Filler, Gift, Prize, Educational Counting & Sensory Toys* \$11.90
Sold by: SplendidProducts ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

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1 of: *Safari Ltd Desert TOOB, Pack of 11*

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Condition: New

Price

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Items Ordered

1 of: *Jetec 8 Pieces Unicorn Toy Figurine Set Collectible Unicorn Toys Cake Toppers for Birthday Party Baby Shower Christmas Party Imaginative Toy Present for Girls and Boys, 8 Type*

Sold by: GreShonYT ([seller profile](#)) | Product question? [Ask Seller](#)

Condition: New

1 of: *Artificial Tree Stump Mini Garden Figurines Stumps Ornaments Miniature Stone Rock Statue for Micro Train Landscape Railway Sand Table, Pack of 7*

Sold by: Warmtree ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

Price

\$22.99

\$13.99

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Shipping Speed:

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Items Ordered**Price**

1 of: *Safari Animals Figures Toys 20 Piece, Realistic Plastic Animals Figurines, African Zoo \$23.99*
Wild Jungle Animals Playset with Elephant, Giraffe, Lion, Tiger for Kids Party Supplies

Cake Topper

Sold by: Kimicare ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

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Shipping Speed:

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Items Ordered

1 of: *Play-Doh Ultimate Color Collection 65-Pack of Modeling Compound, Non-Toxic, 1-Ounce Fun Size Cans, Includes Sapphire, Sparkle, Confetti, Metallic Colors, and Color Burst (Amazon Exclusive)*

Sold by: Amazon.com Services LLC

Price

\$20.54

Condition: New

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Payment information

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* Order Total: \$0.00 73.20 *

Shipped on January 16, 2023

Items Ordered

Price

1 of: *Citylife 1.3 QT 10 Pack Small Storage Bins Plastic Storage Container Stackable Box with Lids for Organizing, Clear White* \$33.97

Sold by: Citylife int ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

Shipping Address:

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United States

Shipping Speed:

Rush Shipping

Shipped on January 16, 2023

Items Ordered

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Sold by: Citylife int ([seller profile](#))

Condition: New

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Shipping Speed:

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Payment information

Payment Method:

Amazon.com Visa Signature | Last digits: 8842
Gift Card

Item(s) Subtotal: \$67.94
Shipping & Handling: \$2.99
Free Shipping: -\$2.99

Billing address

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Total before tax: \$67.94
Estimated tax to be collected: \$5.26
Gift Card Amount: -\$73.20 *

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