

Design Your Own Literature Circle Program

Teacher _____

Grade _____

Approximate Time Frame _____

Date to Distribute Books _____

Meeting Dates _____

What books will you use? What is the approximate reading level of each book?

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How will you obtain the books?

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How will you allow students to choose their books?

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How will you inform the parents of your plans regarding Literature Circles?

Literature Circle Structure

Will the students meet simultaneously or one at a time with you?

Who will lead the meetings?

Will they have roles? (Examples: Discussion Leader, Summarizer, Story Mapper)

How many days a week will they meet with their groups?

Where will they meet in the classroom for their Literature Circles?

Will you give time in class to read or will you check the books out to them to take home?

How will students prepare for the meetings? Will they complete role sheets, an assignment packet, or prepare sticky notes with questions?

What will you do if a student is not prepared for the meeting? (For example, didn't read or didn't complete assignment?)

