

Helping Children Write Their Own Simple Books

by *Dr George Jacobs*

COURSE OBJECTIVE

The workshop aims to enable parents and other adults to help children write and construct their own simple books. By helping children create their own books, we enhance children's reading and writing skills, build their knowledge of the world, and increase their love for books and other reading materials. At the same time, we strengthen our bonds with the children.

COURSE OUTLINE

The workshop leader will explain why adults should help children write and construct their own books and discuss how to help children to do so. No special equipment or skill is required to help children make their own simple books. The workshop begins with a brief review of how adults can encourage children to enjoy books. Then, the workshop leader explains ways that children can use the books they read as springboards for writing and illustrating their own books. Finally, simple methods of actually making the physical book are demonstrated. This is a hands-on workshop in which participants can try out some of the ideas presented.

TARGET AUDIENCE

Teaching professionals, parents and other adults who love children.

DATE & TIME

9 June 2007 (Saturday), 9am to 12.30pm

VENUE

Agatha Room, Toa Payoh Community Library

ABOUT THE WORKSHOP LEADER

DR GEORGE JACOBS

Dr George Jacobs was a Language Specialist at RELC for eight years. Currently, he works freelance with MOE Singapore, NIE and educational institutions around Singapore and internationally. George is the co-author of *Read Aloud Asia*, published by Times, as well as many other books for teachers and students. Dr Jacobs has presented at many conferences locally and internationally.

ABOUT THE ORGANISER

NBDCS is a non-profit society, established in 1969, that is committed to promoting storytelling, reading, writing and publishing in Singapore. CLAP, the training arm of NBDCS, is dedicated to upgrading professionals in publishing and literary arts. NBDCS has also been organising the annual Singapore International Storytelling Festival and Asian Children's Writers & Illustrators Conference; bringing together local and foreign experts to share their very own unique tips and techniques.

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COURSE ADMINISTRATION

Registration Fees

Registration Fee : SGD\$60 per participant
Early Bird : SGD\$50 per participant (received and paid on/before **18 May 2007**)
Special rate of **SGD\$50** applies for members of LAS.

Ways to register

1. Register online by visiting www.bookcouncil.sg/clap.htm
or
2. Complete the form below and fax it to (65) 6742 9466.

Cancellation & Substitution

Fees paid are non-refundable but transferable. Requests for substitution must be made on/before 4 June 2007. A cancellation charge of 25% of the course fee is applicable for cancellations made after 4 June 2007.

Payment

Payment is required before the workshop commences or within 30 days of receipt of invoice, whichever is earlier. Payment to be made in Singapore Dollars, by cash, cheque or bank draft, payable to "NBDCS" and mail the payment together with your form to us. Alternatively you may deliver your payment, with your name and contact details attached, immediately after you have faxed/mailed/submitted your online registration.

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