

Reader's Theatre

Extended Playlist

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1. Pick a story from your curriculum and turn it into a Reader's Theatre!
2. Identify your characters, setting, plot, theme, and conflict.
3. Start with the major plot points – who is involved, where are they at this point, could other characters be helpful?
4. Have the students think about the tone of the story when creating dialogue (actual dialogue from the book is encouraged, but use your imagination and make some more!).
5. Flush out the story. What happens if you change an element such as the wolf in Red Riding Hood being too afraid to come out?
6. Create props and costume pieces from classroom materials – they don't need to be grand (paper hats or swords work just as well 😊).
7. Collaborate with everyone! All input is welcome, and share it with as many as you can! I would love to see any further reader's theatre, or provide any input – reach me at michaela@fmct.org!