

USING CHILDREN'S BOOKS TO EXCITE YOUNG WRITERS

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**- Ideas are all around us; we are never far
from the language of story. We simply don't
slow down long enough to notice.**



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1. FROM OTHERS

<i>Mailing May</i>	Michael O. Tunnell
<i>Kid Heroes</i>	Neal Shusterman
<i>Number the Stars</i>	Lois Lowry
<i>The Teachers' Night Before Christmas/Principal's Night</i>	Steven L. Layne
<i>Fireboat: The Heroic Adventures of the John J. Harvey</i>	Maira Kalman
<i>T is for Teachers: A School Alphabet</i>	Steven L. Layne

2. FROM IMAGES

<i>The Mysteries of Harris Burdick</i>	Chris Van Allsburg
"The Loneliest" from <i>I Never Said I Wasn't Difficult</i>	Sara Holbrook
<i>Bebop</i> (Work in Progress)	Steven L. Layne
<i>Love the Baby</i>	Steven L. Layne
<i>Mergers</i>	Steven L. Layne

3. FROM DOING WHAT NO ONE ELSE IS DOING

"Loveless" from <i>Mindtwisters: Stories to Shred Your Head</i>	Neal Shusterman
<i>Verses for Dad's Heart / Verses for Mom's Heart</i>	Steven L. Layne
<i>Over Land and Sea: The Story of International Adoption</i>	Steven L. Layne

4. FROM REINVENTING THE PAST

<i>As the City Sleeps</i>	Stephen T. Johnson
<i>Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters</i>	John Steptoe
<i>Things Not Seen</i>	Andrew Clements
<i>This Side of Paradise</i>	Steven L. Layne
<i>Thomas's Sheep and the Spectacular Science Project</i>	Steven L. Layne
<i>The Preacher's Night Before Christmas</i>	Steven L. Layne

5. FROM LIFE EXPERIENCE

<i>A Summer to Die</i>	Lois Lowry
<i>Winnie Dancing on her Own</i>	Jennifer Richard Jacobson
<i>My Brother Dan's Delicious</i>	Steven L. Layne
<i>Thomas's Sheep and the Great Geography Test</i>	Steven L. Layne
<i>Life's Literacy Lessons: Poems for Teachers</i>	Steven L. Layne