

Supercharged Storytimes Facilitator Training

You know how important storytimes are for children's early literacy. Now you can help your storytime-provider peers take it to the next level by becoming a Supercharged Storytimes facilitator. Learn to lead a group of your staff, peers, or volunteers through the Supercharged Storytimes self-paced course.



Supercharged Storytimes is a research-based program that helps storytime providers enhance children's early literacy development through intentional emphasis on key early literacy concepts that promote learning.

The Value of Learning Groups

Supercharged Storytimes will soon be available as a self-paced course so you may wonder, why lead a learning group or cohort on the same content? There are many advantages to working through course material with a group of your colleagues. Peer learners:

- keep each other motivated and on track to get through the course;
- share ideas and insights, answer each other's questions, and reflect together on their progress;
- expose each other to new perspectives or new solutions to challenges;
- form bonds and feel like part of a community, which heightens learning readiness; and
- boost each other's confidence.



The Important Role of a Facilitator

Learning Groups are most effective when someone assumes leadership for guiding the group through the structure and pace of the course material. A smart facilitator helps group members connect with the course content and with each other to enhance their individual learning.

You don't need to be familiar with the Supercharged Storytimes course or be a storytimes practitioner to become a facilitator. This course is great for training coordinators, librarians looking to become leaders in their libraries, or storytime providers excited about working with others to learn the Supercharged philosophy.



Buzz for Supercharged Storytimes

“Even if you knew the practices and skills, you learned so much from others.”

“I have become more conscious of the books I am selecting and taking note if they are reinforcing the concepts we talked about. It’s purposeful.”

“No matter how long I do storytimes, there is always something new to learn and improve on.”

“The [online] chats after each session...were a highlight of the course for me. I so appreciated the thoughts, comments, and practical application ideas contributed in these chats. It was the shoe leather of what otherwise could have been only theory and interesting research.”

How to apply

The facilitator training course will run during the month of November, with three live sessions, and additional assignments to complete between sessions. The course is free to all library staff, but space is limited.

Applications are being accepted now until October 19 at oclc.org/supercharged-apply.



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