



CALIFORNIA READERS

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Lesson 1: Discovering California Authors & Artists

Standard: 1.7 Uses digital resources to access information.

5.1.2 Describes the roles of authors and illustrators and their contributions to literature and society.

Grades: Middle/High School

1. Logon to the California Readers website.
2. Click on the Authors/Artists Websites link.
3. Select the alphabetic range that contains the first letter of your last name. Write the range on your paper. List the letters in your range.
4. Click on the California Collections link. Select the collection that is appropriate for your grade level. Make an alphabetical list of all the authors in the collection whose last name is in the list of letters you made for #3.
5. Go back to the Authors/Artists Websites Link and see which of them have weblinks. (Names that are in blue and are underlined have weblinks.) On your alphabetical list of Authors/Artists names indicate with a Yes or a No which ones have weblinks.
6. Choose two authors and list their names.
7. Go back to the Authors/Artists Websites and click on one of your authors. List the sections on his/her website.

- 8. List his/her books. Indicate any books that you have read.**
- 9. List where the author lives. If it does not tell on the website, just list California.**
- 10. List all the Authors/Artists contact information: address, phone, fax, email. He/she may only have a sign-up to receive email. If there is an email or a snail mail address, write a note and only ask one question. Indicate if you receive an answer.**
- 11. Repeat questions 7 to 10 for your second author.**
- 12. Which of the two internet websites did you find most interesting and why? (Write one paragraph).**

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