

Hi everyone,

I just want to make sure that we are all on the same page after yesterday's class as we went over a lot of logistics right before it was time to go.

For tomorrow, since we will be continuing to discuss the first lesson plan assignment along with doing some practice for it, please be sure to bring with you an idea for the issue that you plan to focus on along with a possible complementary book. If you aren't sure about a focus issue yet, the other thing you could do is bring a book you would like to work with and ask a classmate or two to help you to focus in on an issue that would work nicely with that text.

Since we will also be discussing diversity and multicultural children's literature, it would be great if some of you brought texts that we could examine as examples.

In addition, I had said yesterday that we would not be reviewing the next assignment tomorrow (Individual Presentation - Genre or Type (Issue) of Multicultural Children's Literature) but as I look over the daily schedule, we need to actually in order to keep to schedule. But, based on your presentations and feedback yesterday (again, my compliments go out to you all for a job quite well done...I am very pleased with what I saw and am reading now as I review the write-ups), I am going to tweak the details sheet a bit and will have copies of it for you all tomorrow. If you've already downloaded what's on the wiki site, just recycle it as there will be some changes.

Also, just so it's in writing, the jigsaw readings for tomorrow are now optional. I would recommend reading one (or both) as we never get to talk and work with writing enough in any literacy course and the more you can read and work with the subject, the better off you will be when it comes to teaching it.

So that's it for now. Thanks for reading and I'll see everyone tomorrow.