

username	time	status
mind_i_r	22:11:00	gotta go make some popcorn! yum! #rwworkshop
		Right now only once a month on the 1st Wednesday RT @utalaniz: #rwworkshop: Is this chat always on
kelleemoye	22:10:00	Wednesdays? #rwworkshop
hale27storm	22:10:00	@mind_i_r @libbabray letme know how it is! It's on my list #rwworkshop
utalaniz	22:10:00	#rwworkshop: Is this chat always on Wednesdays?
hale27storm	22:10:00	@kelleemoye thanks for the great conversations and ideas #alwayslearning. #rwworkshop
		@kelleemoye Thanks for hosting! I'm happy I hopped on here this time. Was sad to miss the last one.
Cathy_Blackler	22:09:00	#Rwworkshop
kelleemoye	22:09:00	Thank you everyone for participating- I love this! #rwworkshop
donalynbooks	22:09:00	@mind_i_r I love Lupica's Heat. Great family story in there... #rwworkshop
		My MIL sent me a box of books and had a ton of Matt Christopher books, all kinds of sports, old but my
ms_norris	22:09:00	boys still ate them up. #rwworkshop
		@kelleemoye @katsok @mind_i_r Try oovoo kids tell me you can conference call for free. Haven't tried it
hale27storm	22:09:00	#rwworkshop
mind_i_r	22:09:00	thanks for a great chat, everyone! #rwworkshop
		I will archive the chat and get everyone a link. For May's chat, you can find it at
kelleemoye	22:09:00	<a href="http://tinyurl.com/mayrwworkshopchat">http://tinyurl.com/mayrwworkshopchat</a> #rwworkshop
		Grading question cannot be answered in 140. Processes and products of reading and writing is the short
donalynbooks	22:08:00	answer. #rwworkshop
ms_norris	22:08:00	@kelleemoye Thanks so much! #rwworkshop
kelleemoye	22:08:00	@donalynbooks Let me know how the Intelliscanner works please. #rwworkshop
mind_i_r	22:08:00	@Cathy_Blackler I <heart> Chris Crutcher. His memoir, King of the Mild Frontier is great #rwworkshop
		@kelleemoye @donalynbooks @mind_i_r now trying to read more Chris Crutcher-more
Cathy_Blackler	22:07:00	appropriate/engaging for HSers #Rwworkshop
		Since I was late to #rwworkshop, I'm just now catching up on the topic. Short answers: check in/out--
donalynbooks	22:07:00	investigating an Intelliscanner.

mindi\_r 22:07:00 Hubby just picked up Beauty Queens by @LibbaBray from the library for me! #rwworkshop  
 kelleemoye 22:06:00 Wow guys an hour went by already. This was fabulous- like our own little conference. #rwworkshop  
 jenniesmith 22:06:00 @kelleemoye @mindi\_r I'm lucky I just taught writing this year & have LOVED it! I would love to learn more abt genre studies 2! #rwworkshop  
 ms\_norris 22:06:00 @donalynbooks @mindi\_r @Cathy\_Blackler I am actually excited to read The Devil's Court. :)  
 kelleemoye 22:05:00 #rwworkshop  
 mindi\_r 22:05:00 @donalynbooks @mindi\_r @Cathy\_Blackler Lupica's Comeback Kid books are quite good and a fun, easy read. #rwworkshop  
 Cathy\_Blackler 22:04:00 @donalynbooks DId you read The Running Dream? Awesome book. Also One-Handed Catch.  
 ms\_norris 22:04:00 #rwworkshop  
 Cathy\_Blackler 22:04:00 @ms\_norris I have a cart in my classroom. Just got them. So far, so good. Now need a class set of headphones, although most have #Rwworkshop  
 ms\_norris 22:04:00 @mkienstra I got colored cardstock and made a list with TBR on one side and finished on the other  
 donalynbooks 22:04:00 #rwworkshop  
 Cathy\_Blackler 22:03:00 @mindi\_r @Cathy\_Blackler I need to read more sports books, too. Brought home a stack of Lupica, Green, & Deuker titles to read. #rwworkshop  
 mkienstra 22:03:00 @mindi\_r @Cathy\_Blackler I need to read more sports books, too. Brought home a stack of Lupica, Green, & Deuker titles to read. #rwworkshop  
 donalynbooks 22:03:00 @donalynbooks @kelleemoye @ms\_norris where do they record the TBR books? #rwworkshop  
 ms\_norris 22:03:00 @jan72361 Chunks of writing time, too. Fridays are student choice-- ongoing reading or writing work.  
 donalynbooks 22:03:00 #rwworkshop  
 ms\_norris 22:03:00 Found out we are getting netbooks 1:1 next year, trying to figure out how to compensate for genre holes online. #rwworkshop  
 donalynbooks 22:02:00 @jan72361 My students read 30 minutes every day & I confer & pull small groups. Alternate reading/writing minilessons. #rwworkshop  
 ms\_norris 22:02:00 How do you direct student's reading during genre study? #rwworkshop

@donalynbooks @ms\_norris @mindi\_r Bios my weakest as well, and many HSers are attracted to them.  
Cathy\_Blackler 22:01:00 #Rwworkshop

@kelleemoye I will probably mix genre units & theme units next year. Works best for my standards and students' interest. #rwworkshop  
donalynbooks 22:01:00

@Cathy\_Blackler YA is about all I read. My blog: <http://bit.ly/kHdliA> #rwworkshop  
mindi\_r 22:01:00

@mindi\_r have you read Keeping Score by Linda Sue Park or Sixteen Years in Sixteen Seconds by Paula Yoon? #Rwworkshop  
Cathy\_Blackler 22:00:00

@mindi\_r @cathy\_blackler So important for us to be readers of YA. #rwworkshop  
hale27storm 22:00:00

@mindi\_r There's is nothing like an impassioned boy-reader! sports books are good for that. My boys are nuts for Slam! #rwworkshop  
ms\_norris 21:59:00

RT @donalynbooks: It's not a workshop if a schedule is driving everything. Should be the kids' needs/goals.  
utalaniz 21:59:00 I'm still working on this! #rwworkshop

@donalynbooks @katsok @mindi\_r @kelleemoye a multi-genre unit with writing? Did kids pick theme or was there one theme? #rwworkshop  
hale27storm 21:58:00

@ms\_norris @mindi\_r My weakest genre is biographies/autobiographies/memoir. Few well-written, engaging models for MS. #rwworkshop  
donalynbooks 21:58:00

Now you guys got me wondering what to try first- themes or genres? :-P #rwworkshop  
kelleemoye 21:58:00

@donalynbooks This is so reassuring. #rwworkshop  
MBRevesz 21:57:00

@donalynbooks @hale27storm @katsok @mindi\_r @kelleemoye Like the theme idea. Divide my yr into 4 themes. Might wk well for me #Rwworkshop  
Cathy\_Blackler 21:57:00

@Cathy\_Blackler both, but I've been taking recs. from boys for which books to buy for next year. Also make myself read some. #rwworkshop  
mindi\_r 21:57:00

@ms\_norris I tried to buy more historical fiction and poetry this yr. #rwworkshop  
hale27storm 21:57:00

utalaniz 21:57:00 #rwworkshop: I would also like to know about how others do their grading, too.

donalynbooks 21:57:00 @kelleemoye When a student shares a book, ask anyone else who liked it to chime in. Powerful when many kids suggest same book. #rwworkshop  
#rwworkshop - if you teach upper elementary, how often rdg wkshop, how often wrting workshop each week? for how long?

jan72361 21:56:00 week? for how long?

Cathy\_Blackler 21:56:00 @hale27storm good to know. It looks pretty slick #Rwworkshop

ms\_norris 21:56:00 @mindir Haha, I am the sports books queen although I know nothing about sports. Non-fiction and poetry, and mystery: my weakest #rwworkshop

hale27storm 21:55:00 @Cathy\_Blackler it's pretty good can code so I know who I've talked to what we discussed if i need to collect form assessment #rwworkshop

donalynbooks 21:55:00 @hale27storm @katsok @mindir @kelleemoye Tried a mixed genre unit this year based on a theme. Worked great, too! #evolving #rwworkshop

Cathy\_Blackler 21:55:00 @mindir @ms\_norris Fiction or mon-fiction in sports? #Rwworkshop

kelleemoye 21:55:00 @mindir @ms\_norris I just started boosting my nonfiction after reading Book Whisperer because I realized i was lacking. #rwworkshop

Komos72 21:55:00 RT@donalynbooks: Responding to kids' needs means some need longer/shorter conferences or different goals during conferences. #rwworkshop

kelleemoye 21:55:00 @donalynbooks Never even though about no repeats- something so simple, but brilliant! #rwworkshop

mindir 21:54:00 @ms\_norris also sports books. ugh. #rwworkshop

donalynbooks 21:54:00 @kelleemoye @ms\_norris Why repeat if everyone already heard the recommendation once? Students can record in their TBR list. #rwworkshop

mindir 21:54:00 @ms\_norris For me, it's non-fiction. For a long time, I just didn't buy any cause not my fave #rwworkshop

@katsok @mindi\_r @kelleemoye @donalynbooks I'd like in on that too I started genre studies this yr.

hale27storm 21:53:00 Needs refined #rwworkshop

Cathy\_Blackler 21:53:00 keep my eye out for good texts, regardless of genre. If they drive home a tchng point, like Iwanna Iguana 4 persuasive appeals #Rwworkshop

ms\_norris 21:53:00 Everyone: what are the weakest sections of your classroom library and how do you compensate? #rwworkshop

donalynbooks 21:53:00 @hale27storm I think setting a goal for conferring is OK, but forgive yourself if you ditch it to respond to what your kids need #rwworkshop

kelleemoye 21:52:00 @ms\_norris @donalynbooks So if a book commercial has been done on a book, it cannot be done again? #rwworkshop

mindi\_r 21:52:00 @kelleemoye now you've got it!@ #rwworkshop

hale27storm 21:52:00 @Cathy\_Blackler I've been using confer on my iPhone #rwworkshop

kelleemoye 21:52:00 @mindi\_r fusing, but if it is all within a genre study, they'll be able to see the purpose. #rwworkshop

teachmom 21:52:00 RT @donalynbooks: I work my way through every kid in the class, conferring w/ as many as I can each day (sometimes 5, sometimes 2, sometimes none) #rwworkshop

kelleemoye 21:52:00 @mindi\_r I think that'll help give the students purpose as well. Jumping from standard to standard with no rhyme/reason is con #rwworkshop

ms\_norris 21:51:00 @donalynbooks I think the critical thing I missed this year was no repeats! #rwworkshop

mindi\_r 21:51:00 RT @donalynbooks: It's not a workshop if a schedule is driving everything. Should be the kids' needs/goals. I'm still working on this! #rwworkshop

hale27storm 21:51:00 @donalynbooks I've found I need more structure with my younger students.1 week I only talked to three kids.That made me anxious #rwworkshop

mindi\_r 21:51:00 @kelleemoye For me, genre is driving force for choosing text. Then I can choose what standard I'll teach w/it. #rwworkshop

donalynbooks 21:50:00 @ms\_norris Book Commercials-- Ask all students who want to recommend the book to add their comments in discussion. No repeats. #rwworkshop

Cathy\_Blackler 21:50:00 @donalynbooks I observed a tch who was in her 7th yr of RW/WW and she shared that she just felt like she was getting it #Rwworkshop

kelleemoye 21:49:00 @mindi\_r texts=shared texts #rwworkshop

Cathy\_Blackler 21:48:00 Has anyone used the Confer app for the iPad? It looks interesting. Another thing I'm going to toy with this summer #Rwworkshop

kelleemoye 21:48:00 @mindi\_r Right now I pick text by standards, not genre- is that where the mini lessons come in within the genre studies? #rwworkshop

donalynbooks 21:48:00 It's not a workshop if a schedule is driving everything. Should be the kids' needs/goals. I'm still working on this! #rwworkshop

2ndgradetchr 21:47:00 RT @donalynbooks: I work my way through every kid in the class, conferring w/ as many as I can each day (sometimes 5, sometimes 2, sometimes none) #rwworkshop

mindi\_r 21:47:00 @kelleemoye Yes, 'cause it helps me focus. Shared texts are SHORT, and used for specific purpose. #rwworkshop

kelleemoye 21:46:00 RT @donalynbooks: Responding to kids needs means that some need longer/shorter conferences or different goals during conferences #rwworkshop

Cathy\_Blackler 21:46:00 @donalynbooks I think that's a good pt. It has to be somewhat flexible/organic IMHO #Rwworkshop

donalynbooks 21:46:00 Responding to kids' needs means that some need longer/shorter conferences or different goals during conferences. #rwworkshop

mindi\_r 21:46:00 @donalynbooks My conferring schedule is similar to yours. Seems to work, unless I get caught up in talking about a book! #rwworkshop

ms\_norris 21:46:00 @donalynbooks amen. Do you record info after each conference and if so what? #rwworkshop

Cathy\_Blackler 21:45:00 @hale27storm @ms\_norris Quick can be effective-use the praise, prompt and move on approach #Rwworkshop

When I have conferred w/ every child, I start the over. I cannot hold myself to a set schedule of kids or #  
donalynbooks 21:45:00 of daily conferences #rwworkshop

@ms\_norris I'm pretty excited! :) I think it'll take some stress off of me, mostly when I am trying a new  
kelleemoye 21:45:00 approach for 1st time. #rwworkshop

@ms\_norris I would aim for conferencing with three students a day for about 2 minutes each. Sometimes  
hale27storm 21:44:00 a quick check is good too #rwworkshop

I work my way through every kid in the class, conferring w/ as many as I can each day (sometimes 5,  
donalynbooks 21:44:00 sometimes 2, sometimes none) #rwworkshop  
kelleemoye 21:44:00 @Cathy\_Blackler Good to know I'm not alone :) #rwworkshop

ms\_norris 21:44:00 @kelleemoye I think you'll love it. Will be a great change from trying to do both. :) #rwworkshop

mind\_i\_r 21:44:00 @kelleemoye genre studies changed the way I look at teaching writing! #rwworkshop

my students want more time for reading & book talks. how 2 let all students have time 2 booktalk and  
ms\_norris 21:43:00 some want 2 repeat? #rwworkshop

@mind\_i\_r Smart. I'm still going to incorporate writing & hope to do so through genre studies too. Donalyn  
kelleemoye 21:43:00 has really helped me. #rwworkshop  
@kelleemoye @ms\_norris I did that for 4 yrs at other school. It is tough! I alternated days one yr  
hale27storm 21:43:00 #rwworkshop

I use the "Golden Gate Bridge" approach to conferring (thanks to @englishcomp) for the analogy.  
donalynbooks 21:43:00 #rwworkshop 1/2

Cathy\_Blackler 21:42:00 @kelleemoye @mind\_i\_r I think most ppl feel like they neglect writing #Rwworkshop

hale27storm 21:42:00 @ms\_norris I paid 79 for the version with a cord. Just plug and go software that's included #rwworkshop  
@kelleemoye We use genre studies to structure our year, and it helps to balance reading/writing

mind\_i\_r 21:41:00 #rwworkshop

kelleemoye 21:41:00 @ms\_norris Haven't tried, but am going to next year when I switch to only reading. #rwworkshop  
@mindi\_r Next year I'll only be reading, so at least I'll be able to focus more. Right now I feel like I neglect  
kelleemoye 21:41:00 writing. #rwworkshop

ms\_norris 21:40:00 @kelleemoye Have you been able to do reading workshop within that period? #rwworkshop

kelleemoye 21:40:00 @hale27storm Let me know how you like it, because if it does work, I'll get it too. :) #rwworkshop  
@kelleemoye I don't understand how admin thinks we can do all of that in 45 min. I have 80 and wish I  
mindi\_r 21:40:00 had more! #rwworkshop

hale27storm 21:40:00 @kelleemoye ah. I see. I'm going to give it go. Although delicious library sounds good too #rwworkshop

ms\_norris 21:40:00 @hale27storm No, I only teach reading, we have a writing teacher #rwworkshop

kelleemoye 21:39:00 @hale27storm I have a 45 minute period right now where I am supposed to teach reading and writing. So  
hard! @ms\_norris #rwworkshop

ms\_norris 21:39:00 @hale27storm Does the intelliscanner come with software? What's the price point? #rwworkshop

hale27storm 21:38:00 @ms\_norris do you teach reading writing in those 48 minutes? #rwworkshop

mindi\_r 21:38:00 @hale27storm <http://amzn.to/jCkJnK> #rwworkshop Our district works w/ Ellin, and we use these a lot.

Cathy\_Blackler 21:38:00 @mindi\_r you're right: sounds like a great investment:money well spent #Rwworkshop

kelleemoye 21:37:00 @hale27storm they said it doesn't do it. That's why I didn't purchase it. #rwworkshop

kelleemoye 21:37:00 @hale27storm I emailed them asking if it did what I want (where I can scan at the end of the year and see  
what's missing) and #rwworkshop

Cathy\_Blackler 21:37:00 @ms\_norris I've heard of some ppl doing group conf more than ind in the interest of time #Rwworkshop  
@Cathy\_Blackler Delicious Library was priced at \$40 when I bought it last year <http://bit.ly/PaUiZ>

mindi\_r 21:36:00 #rwworkshop

hale27storm 21:36:00 @mindi\_r I don't know those ones.. Are they in a book #rwworkshop

kelleemoye 21:36:00 RT @ms\_norris: Someone please give me tips for getting more conferences done! 48 min period, about 100 7/8 graders. #rwworkshop

hale27storm 21:36:00 @kelleemoye @mindi\_r I bought intelliscanner. Says it tracks in and out and keeps inventory #rwworkshop  
Someone please give me tips for getting more conferences done! 48 min period, about 100 7/8 graders.

ms\_norris 21:36:00 #rwworkshop

Cathy\_Blackler 21:35:00 @mindi\_r @kelleemoye where did the 40 dollar cost come in? #Rwworkshop

ms\_norris 21:35:00 @mini\_r Good to know! Still nothing like del. lib for PC.wasted a bunch on Book Collector and it wouldn't work w/ our firewall #rwworkshop

mindi\_r 21:35:00 @kelleemoye I'm glad my reading intervention is modeled after wkshp protocol. Minilesson, shared text, ind. rdg & conferences. #rwworkshop

kwarmstrong 21:34:00 @kelleemoye @mindi\_r #rwworkshop I use a combination of Nancie Atwell and Lucy Calkins. The Reading Zone a great little book for workshop.

kelleemoye 21:34:00 @Cathy\_Blackler I am as well- I'm teaching an ELL Enrichment class and hope to try RW with them.  
#rwworkshop

hale27storm 21:34:00 @kelleemoye I feel you.Not sure what your standards are like now. I know sometimes my mini lessons have to be a little separate.#rwworkshop

kelleemoye 21:33:00 @RdngTeach <http://www.voyagerlearning.com/prj/index.jsp> I figure I can make it work, just have to do a lot of thinking. #rwworkshop

ms\_norris 21:33:00 I grade reader letter and book talks, reserve the right to consider status of the class #rwworkshop

Cathy\_Blackler 21:33:00 I'm toying w/using RW/WW this summer during summer school. 2.5 hour blocks