

Little Mary Sunshine Books: Warmhearted Children's Stories that Foster Imagination and Wonder

School Visits and Story Presentations



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About the Author

My writing career began in 1999 when I submitted an article to a local newspaper in Apache Junction, AZ entitled, "And the Sounds Change." The piece focused on Queen Creek, a ranching community transitioning to a suburban community. I wrote pieces that focused on family, history, historical events and reminiscent pieces.

After that success, in 2002 I became a Grandfriend in School District 11 in Colorado Springs. I assisted students in reading and writing. This led me to write ***Back of Beyond with Kimmy Koala***, about wildlife in Australia. The students illustrated the story and it was published in May of 2003. This rewarding experience provided the incentive to write the sequel, ***Wilma Wombat's Trek to Back of Beyond***. Wilma is a wombat who travels to Kimmy Koala's Eucalyptus grove in Back of Beyond.

Twinkle, Twinkle Little Girl is based on a true story about my granddaughter, Olivia.

Noah's Moon is a warm and gentle story about a grandmother and her grandsons and their mutual love and discovery of the heavens.

My newest book, ***Oh No Pluto*** portrays the whimsical plight of our former 9th planet, Pluto. It is written partly in rhyme and geared for middle school students.

My stories are gentle, fun, and educational. I incorporate interesting facts and cultural traditions where appropriate.

Successful School Visits

It would be helpful if the teacher could do an overview of the story before my visit.

Book Sales

Students will fondly remember an author visits when they have the opportunity to purchase the book and refer to the story from time to time. Flyers and order forms will be provided two weeks prior to the presentation. Students need to return the order form with payment to the teacher the day before the event so the school can let me know the number of books to bring that day. *There will be a give-away that day as a thank you.*

To Schedule a Visit

Please contact me to set up a school visit and let me know the needs of your students or group. I will answer any questions at that time. I will provide you with a contract and discuss any resources I may need during my presentation.

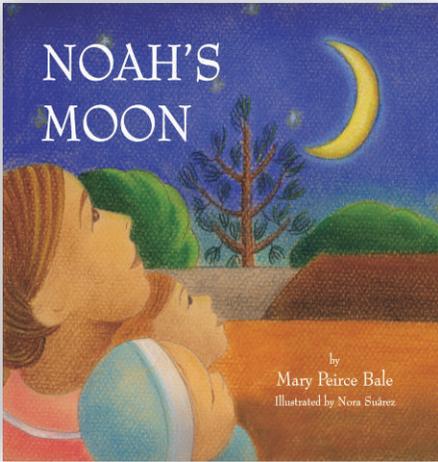
Fees \$100.00 - Day Session

If distances are over 50 miles school will pay travel expenses. Scholarships available and fees are negotiable.

To schedule a presentation at your school contact me at:

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Noah's Moon

It all began when wee Noah had a fussy evening and Nana decided to walk him out into the night air to help him feel better. Big brother Joshua eagerly tagged along - his third grade class was learning all about the moon and he wanted to share his new knowledge with Noah and Nana. A tender and wonderful exchange ensues this night, and for many afterward the threesome rejoins with the indigo velvet nighttime sky to discover the beauty and mystery of our intrepid companion in the solar system.

Ages 9 – 11

Prices Including Tax:

Paper back: \$9.50 Hardcover \$13.80

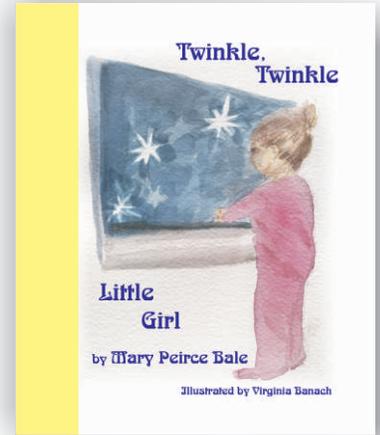
Classroom Kit: \$15.30

Twinkle, Twinkle Little Girl

Tinkle, twinkle, little star!

How I wonder what you are... and the delightful story of little Olivia Pauline begins; a petite charmer who

wears thin the patience of her entire family as her heart bursts with song for the twinkling night stars. Join in the fun and share in the clever solution that Daddy devises to keep the quiet in the nighttime household. It just might work for your family or for someone you know.



Don't miss Twinkle, Twinkle, Little

Girl! Includes all verses to the original song. Preschool - K

Price Including Tax: Paperback only \$7.15

Wilma Wombat's Trek to Back of Beyond

Wilma Wombat has been invited to visit her cousin in the wild of Back of Beyond. It is a long trip, filled with the adventure of many natural environmental challenges that Wilma must solve with the help of her friends. This book is a fun and exciting way to first learn about the animals, habitats, geography, and language of the Land Down Under. Wonderfully illustrated. Glossary included. Ages 6-9.

Price Including Tax:

Paperback \$8.60 Hardcover \$16.35

Coming September 2010 "Oh No Pluto"

Presentation Overview

Story Development: How I developed the story, ideas, inspirations, travel.

Characters: Who will be in my story, names, traits.

Active Reading: Engage the students, ask questions to stimulate their minds about the subject.

Fun Quiz: Feedback, comprehension

Q&A Time and Handouts

I am available for school visits and other group or home school settings. I encourage active participation during my presentations. I will customize my program to your needs.

Schedule a visit today!

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