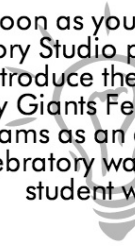




At The Start

As soon as you begin the Story Studio program, introduce the idea of Story Giants Festivals and slams as an exciting, celebratory way to share student work.



Self Portrait Poetry Slam

Design a gallery of self portraits and have students read their I Am poems on a "stage" in the gallery. Make sure they have plenty of rehearsal and that students design a rubric for a successful poetry reading for reflection!



Storytelling Unit

Students look over their collages and develop additional stories, picking one to develop into a performance at Story Giants.



Collage Story Slam

Upload student collages as a power point that plays behind them as they read the writing associated with their collages. Have students vote on favorite stories and make a list of why they were successful to look at for the next share.

Prep for Story Giants

Students practice for Story Giants with a mock story slam. It's also a good idea to encourage students to rehearse with each other outside of class if your festival is competitive. Have students curate artwork to hang alongside storytelling from their portfolio.



Story Giants Festival

In a space that has a gallery for artwork and a stage for performing, host a Storytelling or Story Slam. Invite other classes, parents, and your larger community. Students can act as docents in the gallery. Have an MC to introduce the event and facilitate judging.

Reflection

After the Story Giants Festival, take time to reflect on student achievement and performance. Have students look at their body of work from Story Studio and recognize their artistic development and language acquisition.

