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- Giving students much more choice when it comes to reading and writing activities.
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- Using modeling to enrich students writing skills in the prewriting, drafting, and revision stages.
- Helping young writers to achieve more authenticity through the blending of genres.
- Resisting the de-emphasis of narrative and imaginative reading and writing.
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