

Readers' Theater

In readers' theater, students rehearse and perform a play for peers or others. They read from scripts that have been derived from books that are rich in dialogue. Students play characters who speak lines or a narrator who shares necessary background information. Readers' theater provides readers with a legitimate reason to reread text and to practice fluency. Readers' theater also promotes cooperative interaction with peers and makes the reading task appealing.

Sources for Readers' Theater Scripts:

Teaching Heart: <http://www.teachingheart.net/readerstheater.htm>

Aaron Shepard: <http://www.aaronshep.com/rt/RTE.html>

Literacy Connections: <http://literacyconnections.com/ReadersTheater.php>