

Suggested Curriculum for Grace Lin's School Visits

***The Ugly Vegetables* Book Reading**

Grade level: preK or K

Duration: 25 minutes

Student preparation: an author study is recommended; please do NOT read *The Ugly Vegetables*.

A reading of *The Ugly Vegetables* and a drawing demonstration. Grace provides a drawing for each class in attendance!

How a Book is Made

Grade level: 1, 2 or 3

Duration: 50 minutes

Student preparation: an author study is recommended.

How a book is made is an interactive presentation showing the many steps of book publication from sketch to finish. Students see how Grace gets red corrections marks, just like on their homework! Afterwards, Grace reads from one of her books, answers questions and ends the presentation with a drawing of a character from her books or a 'draw-along'. Educational and fun!

Includes one of the possible readings (please choose):

Grade 1 and 2: reading of *The Ugly Vegetables* or an excerpt of *Ling & Ting* (please do NOT share the chosen selection)

Grade 2 or 3: reading of chapter from *Year of the Dog*

The Chinese New Year

Grade level: 2, 3 or 4

Duration: 50 minutes

Student preparation: an author study is recommended.

Using her books, *Bringing in the New Year* and *Year of the Rat*, Grace explains and shares the customs of the Lunar New Year. This program includes a Chinese New Year decoration draw-along and Q&A (as time permits). PowerPoint presentation

Behind Year Of the Dog

Grade level: 3, 4 or 5

Duration: 50 minutes

Maximum group size: 150

Student preparation: It is strongly encouraged that students read *Year of the Dog* before attending this lecture.

Grace's books blend fact and fiction, and none do more so than her chapter book "Year of the Dog." Learn what was real, what was fiction and how the story came together in this engaging PowerPoint presentation. This program includes a Chinese New Year decoration draw-along and Q&A (as time permits).

Behind Where the Mountain Meets the Moon

Grade level: 4, 5 or 6

Duration: 50 minutes

Student preparation: It is strongly encouraged that students read *Where the Mountain Meets the Moon* before attending this lecture.

Learn about the experiences and myths that inspired Grace's Newbery Honor Book in this PowerPoint presentation. This program includes an interactive *Starry River of the Sky* introduction, a Tiger decoration draw-along and Q&A (as time permits).

Are Your Books Real?

Grade level: 3, 4, 5 or 6

Duration: 50 minutes

Student preparation: an author study is recommended

See what real-life characters, details and myths found their way into Grace's novels in this PowerPoint presentation. This program includes an interactive *Starry River of the Sky* introduction, a Tiger decoration draw-along and Q&A (as time permits). It is strongly encouraged that students are familiar with Grace's novels before attending this lecture.

Behind the Art of Grace Lin

Grade level: 6 to adult

Duration: 50 minutes

Student preparation: an author study is recommended

Favorite question "Why do you paint all those swirls?" and others are explained in depth in this PowerPoint presentation. Grace shows the inspirations and the thoughts that are behind her art style in stories. This program includes a reading of an excerpt from *Where the Mountain Meets the Moon* and Q&A (as time permits). Can include draw-along.

Path of a Multicultural Author

Grade level: Adult

Duration: 50 minutes

Preparation: Familiarity with Grace's work is recommended

A PowerPoint presentation showing Grace's path to becoming a children's book creator and her embracing of the adjective "multicultural." Using Grace's personal experiences, gain understanding about her books and the value of books that portray many cultures. This program includes a reading of an excerpt from *Where the Mountain Meets the Moon* and Q&A (as time permits).

For all Programs group size of 150 or smaller preferred