TOP 20 OF 2017 SUMMER OF CREATIVITY TEACHER READING LIST

Meaningful Making
This book from Invent to Learn author Sylvia Martinez helps to move us from a Maker Movement to using making as a fully-embodied learning experience.

Happy Teacher Habits
In The Happy Teacher Habits, Michael Linsin guides you through 11 little-known habits of the happiest, most effective teachers on Earth.

Launch: Using Design Thinking to Boost Creativity and Bring Out the Maker in Every Student
If there’s one book that you need to read before heading back to school, it’s this one.

What Teachers Make
The incredible speech from Taylor Mali has now been turned into a full-fledged book. If you’ve ever had someone ask you “what do you make?” as a teacher, this book is for you.

Creative You
What’s great about this book is that it places creativity in the context of your personality type - a really different way to look at it. This changed so much for me about how I approach creative education with children.

The First Days of School
The information is concise, easy to implement and it just works. If you struggle with classroom management, or are moving grade levels, this is a great book to have!

Blended: Using Disruptive Innovation to Improve Schools
If you’re interested in flipping your classroom this book is a must-read. It provides a hands-on field guide for creating a blended learning environment.

Six Thinking Hats
Originally written for entrepreneurs, I found this book FULL of helpful ideas for guiding our students through the creative thinking routines and habits just by putting on these six thinking hats.

Presence: Bring Your Boldest Self to your Biggest Challenges
We’re all going to face challenges and anxiety. This book shares how you can overcome those and step confidently into the spotlight.

UNThink: Rediscover your Creative Genius
This incredible book was written by the charismatic and passionate graffiti artist Erik Wahl.

Carry On, Warrior
In this book, Glennon Doyle Melton shares the power of truth, creativity, and leaving the false notion of perfection behind.

The ONE Thing
This is such an intriguing read. If you’ve ever been caught in the crosshairs of wanting both LESS (distractions, emails, stress) and MORE (time, productivity, satisfaction), this book is for you.

The ZEN Teacher
This book from Dan Tricarico is a great way to get yourself and your students centered and more "plugged in" in the classroom.

Hacking Education: 10 Quick Fixes for Every School
This quick read will get you excited about all of the ways you can climb over, go around and bust through those walls that are blocking your way at school.

Digital Storytelling in the Classroom
If you’re looking for ways to integrate the new Media Arts standards into your curriculum, this is an outstanding resource to have available from author Jason Ohler.

The Power of Questioning
Teaching and learning cannot happen without questions. Inquiry is the offspring of curiosity and creativity. Questions are incredibly powerful tools that open the world up.

The Courage to Teach
If you’re looking for something that both honors and pushes you in your teaching practice, this should be on your book list!

Maker Lab
This book from the Smithsonian has over 28 projects to build, invent and create.

Weaving Creativity into Every Strand of Your Curriculum
More and more, people are discovering the power of integrating creativity and the arts into their curricula.

Creative Development
Author Robert Kelly explores how to bridge the gap between design thinking and design doing in this great read.

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