

Connecting Young Writers with Authors/Illustrators

Encouraging creativity, collaboration, and outside-the-box approaches to gifted and talented programs.



Key Takeaways:

- **Real-word Creative Partnerships Enrich GT Programs**

Authors and illustrators bring more than inspiration—they bring process, feedback, and real-world connection.

- **Structure + Freedom = Growth**

Independent projects thrive with support.

- **Every school can start somewhere - even small!**

A long-term partnership might begin with one conversation or one workshop!



Writing resources to explore:

The Telling Room – tellingroom.org/programs/in-school-residencies

Young Author Camps – USM – usm.maine.edu/literacy-language-culture

Longfellow Young Writers Workshop – UMF – umf.maine.edu/longfellow

SCBWI New England Author Visit Directory –

scbwi.org/regions/newengland/school-visit-directory



Maine Authors/Illustrators:

Josh Alves – joshalves.com

Jeannie Brett – jeanniebrett.com

Russ Cox – smilingotis.com

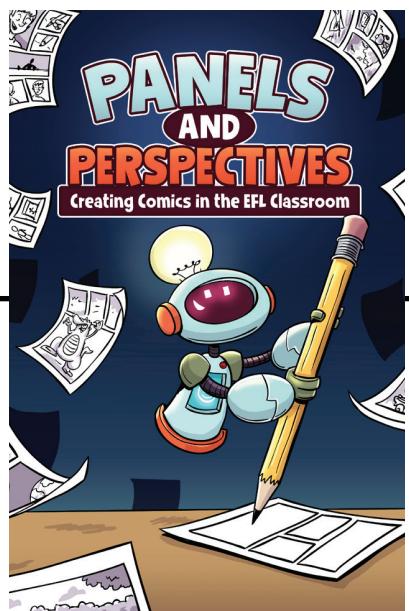
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