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Editorial Review

From the Back Cover

Writing Mini-Lessons That Won't Mean More Grading!

The Writing Teacher's Activity-a-Day offers 180+ ready-to-use, reproducible activities that are designed to enhance writing skills of all secondary students. Written for teachers in grades 6–12, the book's classroom-tested activities are designed so that teachers aren't required to do any extra grading. Partnering techniques along with new oral assessments and peer-editing strategies not only reduce teacher paper load but provide immediate feedback for students. *The Writing Teacher's Activity-a-Day* is filled with writing prompts and sample passages written in student-friendly language that connect abstract literary concepts to students' own lives. In addition, the engaging examples serve as models to encourage students to create their own Quick Writes.

Praise for *The Writing Teacher's Activity-a-Day*

"The most difficult area to teach in language arts is writing, and this text now makes it easier—it will become a teacher's best friend! The book is the perfect marriage to the writer's workshop lesson plan model, giving specific examples of writing for each necessary skill to be taught, and will surely enhance and support your mini-lessons. Implementing these activities will help both the student and teacher grow as writers. In 33 years of teaching language arts, I've never seen anything like it!"

—**Donna Kortvelesy**, MS, NBCT, professional development specialist, Millville Public Schools, Millville, New Jersey

"Anytime I see a book by Mary Ellen Ledbetter, I grab hold of several copies for use in my classrooms and trainings. Teachers beg for them! In *The Writing Teacher's Activity-a-Day*, she has taken the objectives that are so hard for students to grasp and for educators to teach and has put together an easy-to-read, easy-to-teach book of amazing activities for everyday use."

—**Janet Coleman, Ed. D.**, educational consultant and trainer, Fort Worth, Texas

"*The Writing Teacher's Activity-a-Day* is incredibly versatile, with self-contained writing exercises clear enough to hand to a substitute yet complex enough to be the building blocks of a unit. It covers everything I've seen on the state-mandated tests, too."

—**Erin Jones**, secondary English teacher and teaching assistant, University of Arkansas

About the Author

Mary Ellen Ledbetter, M.A., is a noted presenter and educational consultant specializing in boosting language arts skills in K–12 students. She has extensive teaching experience in public schools as well as at the college level. Her previous books include *Ready-To-Use English Workshop Activities* and *Writing Portfolio Activities Kit*, both from Jossey-Bass, and she is the author of number of popular self-published works including *Something for Every Day*, *All About Me*, and *You Say—I Say*.

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