



writer for young readers

JULIE BERRY



School & Library Visits

Kindling a love of reading and stories, and unleashing kids' imagination.

Assembly or classroom presentation:

Happy Right Now

For groups of any size, in grades K-3.

Students will join Julie in a playful exploration of mindfulness and emotions, based on a book of the same name, illustrated by #1 NYT bestselling illustrator Holly Hatam.

Happy Right Now is the first in a series; the next will be *Cranky Right Now*.

Assembly or classroom presentation:

Don't Let the Beasties

Escape This Book!

For groups of any size, in grades 1-4.

Castle and family life for peasant children in the Middle Ages come alive in this discussion and workshop. Students will learn how animals, both real and fantastical, inspired the medieval imagination, just as they fascinate us today. And they'll discover the wonders of illuminated bestiaries – beautifully hand-illustrated books of beasts. The presentation includes a hands-on workshop where kids make their own bestiaries and invent their own heroic adventure tales.

"The children were riveted. My class felt so inspired, they just wanted to go back to the classroom and write a story, right then and there. Of course I let them!"

— Alyson Whatcott, 6th grade teacher, Merriam Elementary, Acton MA

"Julie Berry is a rock star! For the past ten years, she has provided engaging writing workshops for our students. Warm, funny and authentic, Julie's presentations entertain and inform both students and teachers. Kids respond with enthusiasm and produce amazing creative writing."

— Karen Duff, Library Media Specialist, Chenery Middle School, Belmont, MA

