

# CHOICE LITERACY

Summer Workshops in Portland, Maine  
for K-6 Literacy Leaders

July 6-7, 2009

**Are you tired of overpriced literacy conferences that feel like cattle calls, with huge crowds, long lines, not enough seats, and lousy acoustics?**

**So are we.**

We've created professional development events we would like to attend, but never seem able to find anymore—small enough to chat with the presenters and other participants, in beautiful locales that help us recharge mentally and physically.

## Featuring:

**Jennifer Allen; "The Sisters"—Gail Boushey and Joan Moser; Clare Landrigan and Tammy Mulligan; Franki Sibberson; and Karen Szymusiak**

Join us this summer for literacy leadership workshops at the beautiful Regency Hotel in the historic Old Port area of Portland, Maine! Our workshops will give you the materials you need to go back home and lead professional development events for your colleagues and staff. You'll leave with templates, high quality videos, workshop protocols, and memories of conversations with colleagues from across the country who share the joys and struggles of helping schools move forward in literacy. **Each workshop includes a professional development DVD linked to the workshop topic, valued at up to \$229.**

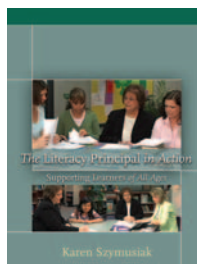
## Workshop Descriptions

### The Literacy Principal in Action

with **Karen Szymusiak**,  
Co-Author of *Still Learning to Read*

Monday, July 6 • 8:30 a.m.–3 p.m.

Principals are expected to be curricular leaders in their schools - but what does that look and feel like? This full-day workshop takes you into daily routines of Karen Szymusiak, a principal at Glacier Ridge Elementary School in Dublin, Ohio, and author of many best-selling books and videos on literacy instruction. Karen will share strategies for observing and collaborating with teachers, leading meetings with a curriculum focus, and guiding staff in new literacy initiatives in a way that honors and respects educators. **DVD: *The Literacy Principal in Action***



### Delight in Words

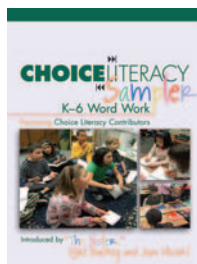
New in 2009

Integrating Children's Literature into Word Play and Word Study in K-5 Classrooms

with **Franki Sibberson**,  
Co-Author of *Beyond Leveled Books*

Monday, July 6 • 8:30 a.m.–3 p.m.

Vocabulary instruction and word study begins with a delight in language. If we can help students pay attention to and get excited about the discovery of new words, they will be well on their way to building new vocabulary and reading skills. In this session, we'll explore how word play and word study can be integrated into reader's and writer's workshops through the use of children's literature. Participants will receive a resource binder with booklists, sample minilessons, read aloud suggestions, and word study activities. **DVD: *Choice Literacy Word Work Sampler***



### CAFE in the Classroom

with **"The Sisters" (Gail Boushey and Joan Moser)**, Authors of *The Daily 5*  
Tuesday, July 7 • 8:30 a.m.–3 p.m. **SOLD OUT**

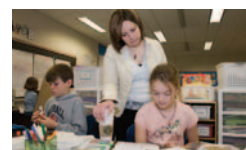
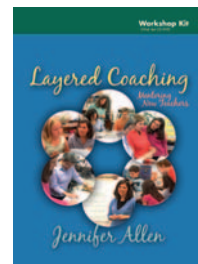
Teachers know assessing young readers involves more than determining a reading level and moving them onto the next. Yet all too often, assessment systems don't provide much information beyond determining a child's reading level. Gail and Joan developed the CAFE assessment system to help elementary students understand and master different strategies used by successful readers. They both use the system daily with students, and have helped dozens of teachers in their school districts implement the program. **DVD: *CAFE in the Classroom***



### Literacy Coach Jumpstart

with **Jennifer Allen**,  
Author of *Becoming a Literacy Leader*  
Tuesday, July 7 • 8:30 a.m.–3 p.m.

It seems like almost every elementary school is adding a literacy coach to the faculty these days - but who will coach the coaches? Literacy Coach Jumpstart is a one-day workshop designed to help K-5 literacy coaches, curriculum coordinators, and school leaders acquire the skills they need for coaching success all year long. Participants receive a wealth of print resources (over 80 pages of planning templates, checklists, conferring tip sheets, advice from veteran coaches, sample daily, weekly and year-long calendars) and a DVD of classroom-based vignettes of teachers in action for use in workshops. Participants will be taken step-by-step through the design, implementation, and evaluation of study groups, observations, demonstration lessons, and mentoring programs using these video resources. **DVD: *Layered Coaching***



# Making Assessments Work for You

with **Clare Landrigan and Tammy Mulligan**

Tuesday, July 7 • 8:30 a.m.–3 p.m.



The relentless push for more testing, assessment, and analysis of information from individual students leaves many teachers and administrators feeling like they are drowning in data. We'll use a four step process with many practical tips and tools along the way to help you collect, display, and analyze data, all with the end goal of lifting the quality of instruction. Developing the skills necessary to bridge assessment and instruction is all about confidence - helping teachers learn that the skills they bring in making thoughtful decisions about teaching and learning every day can be used in poring over data. This workshop will give school leaders the tools they need to help their colleagues develop the confidence and can-do attitude that is essential for success in making use of evaluation data. **DVD: Making Assessments Work for You**



# Helping Struggling Readers in Grades 3–6

with **Franki Sibberson**,  
Co-Author of *Still Learning to Read*

Tuesday, July 7 • 8:30 a.m.–3 p.m.

What routines are most helpful to struggling readers, and how can they participate as full members of the classroom community in reading workshop? This workshop will include examples of best practices, word study, books that are especially useful, and strategies for including strugglers in whole-class discussions and small groups in ways that differentiate instruction without discouraging or singling out students. **DVD: Reaching Readers**



## The Regency Hotel

All events will take place at the Regency Hotel, a luxury hotel and spa in the heart of charming Old Port, a thriving area of shops, bookstores and cafes on the water in Portland, Maine. The hotel is offering a special rate of \$189 single/double for workshop participants. To make reservations, call **207-774-4200** and visit the hotel website [www.theregency.com](http://www.theregency.com) for more information about local attractions.

## 2009 Portland, Maine Choice Literacy Workshops

Workshop	Date	Time	Cost	Quantity	Total
The Literacy Principal in Action	Monday, July 6	8:30 a.m.–3 p.m	\$295		
Delight in Words	Monday, July 6	8:30 a.m.–3 p.m	\$295		
CAFE in the Classroom	Tuesday, July 7	8:30 a.m.–3 p.m	\$295	<b>SOLD OUT</b>	
Making Assessment Work for You	Tuesday, July 7	8:30 a.m.–3 p.m.	\$295		
Helping Struggling Readers in Grades 3–6	Tuesday, July 7	8:30 a.m.–3 p.m.	\$295		
Literacy Coach Jumpstart	Tuesday, July 7	8:30 a.m.–3 p.m.	\$295		

**Grand Total** \_\_\_\_\_

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Additional Registrants (please list full name and email address for each registrant)

### Method of Payment

(Payment must accompany registration to reserve spots)

- Check enclosed (payable to Choice Literacy, Inc.) or
- Purchase Order (please attach—must be signed by qualified purchasing agent in your school or district). **All purchase orders are due Net 30 Days.**  
We do not accept credit cards for conference registrations.

### Return Registration and Payment to:

Choice Literacy, Inc.      Fax this form and your purchase  
P.O. Box 790      or      order to Choice Literacy at  
Holden, ME 04429      207-433-1012  
or

Email a scanned copy of registration and PO to [webmaster@choiceliteracy.com](mailto:webmaster@choiceliteracy.com).

Questions? Email [shelly@choiceliteracy.com](mailto:shelly@choiceliteracy.com) for answers.

Fees include continental breakfast, refreshment breaks, professional development DVDs, and resource folder. All travel, housing, and lunch expenses are the responsibility of participants.

Space is limited. Payment is due upon receipt, with full refund if cancellation is received 30 days before the event. No refunds within one month of event.