

The Future Alphabet Code Writing Workshop for Kids

With Author and Owner Joanne Lécuyer

Age group: grades 4-6 (or ages 9-12)

Class/group size: 10-35 (approx.)

Description: This interactive workshop for kids allows them to explore the origins of the alphabet and writing. All the participants work together to create a new alphabet code (the 26 letters plus the numbers 0-9). Each participant will use the new alphabet to encode a short message that describes our current culture (or city, country, earth) to someone reading in the future. Participants will be encouraged to use their creativity and imagination, and have fun! The author and teacher/leader will discuss the theme, direction and length of the workshop prior to the event.

Outline of the workshop:

Introduction (10-15 min)

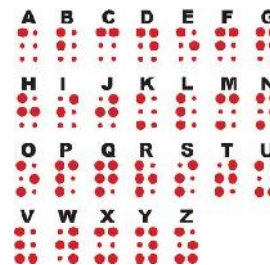
- About the author
- Overview of the workshop

Creating a New Alphabet Code and Message (90 min)

- Brief overview of the
 - origins of the alphabet/writing
 - use of letters and symbols/images
- Creation of a new alphabet code (letters/numbers)
- Creation of individual messages
- Wrapping it up and photos of the works of art

Wrap up (10-15 min)

- Questions and answers with the author
- The writing process (a brief summary) with a Q&A (time permitting)
- Draw for copy of a book signed by the author



Cost: \$200 per 120 minute session or \$350 for two sessions at the same venue, plus travel from Ottawa and accommodation if necessary.

Contact information: Please send your request to info@topsybooks.com or call Joanne at 613-863-2432 to book your workshop.

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