

Creative ELA

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Students grow their love of reading by expressing their learning in new, creative ways.

Try This Idea

- 1. Gather as many art materials as possible.
- 2. Select books that lend themselves to creative interpretation and expression.
- 3. Give students options for how to express knowledge and insights about what they're reading (e.g., dances, paintings, podcasts, etc).

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Intended Outcome

Students consider reading to be a creative and engaging activity, where they can use different types of technology, express their learning in various ways, and engage with literature that interests them.

Measurement Methods

Practice empathy by interviewing students about their reading preferences. An in-person or online survey could give you further insights about class-wide hopes and fears related to reading. Think about incorporating other tech tools, too (e.g., reading trackers).

f like [it], because I get to act out the story and get to meet new people.

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