



A Review of the Books and Equipment available from Prime Presentations

The following items are available to order from Prime Presentations:

Reviews and descriptions below by Carol McGehe

How Your Child IS Smart

\$12.95

If you are an educator who wants to reach the “difficult” student who currently baffles you, understand your *own* child’s learning style (from preschooler to adult children), discover your own means of processing information and delivering it to others for more effective teaching and communicating, or explore better ways to understand and relate to your spouse or friends, this book is for you. Through this easy-reading book, Dawna Markova, a former teacher and school psychologist, has changed the way I think about my own learning and the learning of those with whom I communicate daily.

This book, originally written for parents, is free of confusing educational jargon and explains how each of us processes information. I have shared it with numerous colleagues, parents of students, and family friends, and have literally had them call me and keep me on the phone for over an hour, relating how the book has changed their lives. This book serves as an advocate for all those who think differently than we do. It is one of the best \$12.95 you will ever spend for yourself, and we recommend the book as an excellent gift for others.

Learning Unlimited: Using Homework To Engage Your Child’s Natural Style Of Intelligence

\$13.95

Dawna Markova succeeds again in writing a book that makes a difference. In this powerful book, she explains how to avoid homework hassles and engage your child’s passion to learn - naturally. Discover how to deepen your understanding of the way children learn, and deepen your relationship with them, as well... while doing homework!

Homework has become a “negative” to parents, students *and* teachers. It is an all too familiar topic of concern during parent conferences. This is a book that you can recommend to parents and also use yourself to design meaningful homework experiences!

Pioneer Math: Written by Kids for Kids

\$30.00

This remarkable 245-page mathematics text book was authored by one of my 7th grade classes of students who were identified in the lowest 10th percentile at Urbana Middle School. Urbana, Illinois is a community of 40,000 residents with one middle school. The student population is a true microcosm of this diverse community, in which every socioeconomic level is represented, along with 40-50 different languages.

My philosophy of respecting students’ ability to think and learn led me to challenge these low ability students to write their own math text book. Their efforts far exceeded my already elevated expectations. On their own, the students decided that they would dedicate this book to other students, like themselves, who had always struggled in math. This book is one of the greatest evidences that students can and will meet and exceed our high expectations, if they are respected as thinkers and learners.

Pioneer Math can be used with a wide variety of students, especially those who are learning the four basic operations on whole numbers, fractions, and decimals, or *for those students who have never mastered these skills*. This book is being used in over 40 states, as well as in Canada, Great Britain, and Bermuda, sometimes as a text, often as a teacher resource book, and also as an inspiration for students to write their own lessons and problems. The uniqueness of *Pioneer Math* makes it an interesting book to have in your own library or math department.

Be sure to read "The Story of Pioneer Math: Written by Kids for Kids"

200 Ways to Raise a Girl's Self-Esteem

\$11.95

Will Glennon, an editor of the *Random Acts of Kindness* series, provides this much-needed advice for boosting confidence and strengthening self-image in our female students and children. This book provides guidance for parents, teachers and other concerned caregivers through practical, precise, and empowering strategies -- a treasure of ideas that goes beyond the superficial compliment into meaningful esteem building.

An Introduction to Algebra for a Heterogeneously Grouped Classroom

\$18.00

This valuable resource is a complete self-contained unit created by five classroom teachers. These full-time teachers, taking a college class at night, created this 28-day unit as an introduction to algebraic concepts. The unit is complete with teaching objectives, materials list, lesson plans differentiated for varied abilities, black-line masters of classwork and homework assignments also differentiated for varied abilities, pre- and post-assessments, and a culminating unit project.

This resource can be used as a self-contained unit for middle school math or pre-algebra classes *or* as a set of resource activities appropriate for students taking formal algebra, who are multi-level and multi-ability. This unit also provides an extremely effective model for how to write similar units to teach in a heterogeneously grouped setting.

TeachTimer^Ô Model 229

\$45.00

The TeachTimerTM is great for classroom management, especially to alert you to stop a few minutes before the end of the period to assign homework, or collect supplies, or to time an activity. Students appreciate the TeachTimerTM during tests, indicating exactly how much time remains. The TeachTimerTM can be used with or without an overhead projector and functions as a timer, a clock, or as a chronometer. Timer mode counts down to zero or up from zero. The timer warning sounds a beep on your choice of one to five minutes before the actual "Time's Up!" alarm sounds. An instruction book, and carrying case is included. The TeachTimerTM is a compact 3.5"W x 5.8"D x .6"H

Cobra^Ô Portable Overhead Projector Model 3000

The CobraTM Overhead Projector is not only the *lightest portable projector* (7.5#), it is the first to *combine sleek styling with top projection quality*. The bright light source from above prevents the burning of your hand as you write, and enables students to see without the obstruction of a bulky machine. With an extra bulb cartridge, supplied upon purchase, you never have to handle a hot bulb. The CobraTM has a very quiet fan-cooled operation and automatic thermal shutoff switch. A carrying case is included which will hold additional supplies. When used with an LCD panel, the CobraTM will experience a "ghosting" effect. MSRP \$ 679.00 / **Your cost: \$440.00**

Cobra^Ô Replacement Bulb Model EVW3000

Replacement bulb for the CobraTM Portable Overhead Projector.

MSRP \$ 38.66 / **Your cost: \$20.00**