



YOUNG WRITERS'
storyschool
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Where do ideas come from?

Have you ever had trouble starting a story?

Or become stuck in the middle?

And what about endings?

Writing can be tough!

Young Writers' StorySchool is the solution – a video online writing masterclass for kids age 10-14. A bestselling author guiding you through the creative process of storytelling.

WHAT IS YOUNG WRITERS' STORYSCHOOL?

Tristan Banks, an award-winning kids' and teen author, has developed a **unique, future-facing, road-tested method** for inspiring keen and reluctant young writers to create. StorySchool is an **online video writing masterclass** for school and home to help young writers Hatch, Fly and Soar – **24 short, sharp, entertaining videos**, supported by teachers' notes and activity sheets. A system to inspire authentic, detailed writing that young people care about and teachers love to read.

The StorySchool method is an **active, outdoor, visual, aural, tech-infused writing adventure**. It's about seeing, hearing and feeling a piece of writing, making it personal. It's an active approach, proven by Tristan in the writing of his award-winning books and by the tens of thousands of young writers and filmmakers who have taken his workshops since 2005.

Get a flying start on writing for you and your students by bringing StorySchool into the classroom with flexible, multi-modal challenges for the entire spectrum of learners. StorySchool teaches vital skills of creativity and storytelling for 21st century leadership. Recommended for ages 10-14 (core age but suitable for 9-15).

VITAL TOOLS FOR IMMERSING AND INSPIRING YOUNG WRITERS

VIDEO MASTERCLASS

- + High-energy 2-4 minute videos for the classroom taking you through every step of the writing process. Each video provides a new writing tool. Tristan tells a story, shows the tool in action and sets a writing challenge.
- + Three modules of eight videos with printable worksheets and teachers' notes. Do one module per school term or work at your own pace, choosing the videos relevant to your needs.
- + Each module builds on the last. **Hatch:** Idea Generation. **Fly:** Writing and Drafting. **Soar:** Rewriting & Advanced Tools.

ONLINE AUTHOR VISITS

- + Schools can complement the Young Writers' **StorySchool** program by booking, with Tristan's speaking agent, a one-off Zoom author talk or a series of live online workshops to introduce students to an author, reinforce StorySchool ideas and answer students' burning questions.

24 UNITS IN THREE MODULES. TERM-BY-TERM OR PACE YOURSELF

HATCH

- + Anything Goes...
- + An Important Artefact
- + Fake News
- + Become a Casting Director
- + Going Rogue on StreetView
- + Using a Device to Capture Ideas
- + Drawing Your Story
- + Become a Location Scout

FLY

- + Vision Boarding
- + Story Safari
- + Where Do I Begin?
- + Finding Original Detail
- + 5 Ways to Get Unstuck
- + Building a Book Soundtrack
- + Spying on Your Characters
- + Drafting a Story

SOAR

- + 5 Questions to Supercharge Your Rewrite
- + 'My Story is About...'
- + 4 Golden Rules for Short Stories
- + Creating a Step Outline
- + Revealing Characters in Action
- + Character Building
- + POV: Point-of-View
- + Tapping the DNA of Your Story