

# YOUNG STORYTELLERS®

Raising Voices, One Story at a Time.

## Curriculum Changes

\* Reminder: Use the Resources page

Section	Script to Stage/Collaborative Script to Stage 2023-2024
<b>Warm-Ups</b>	<p><i>What?</i> - Moved warm-ups to a <b>beginning section</b> separate from the <b>lesson plans</b>. AKA warm ups are <b>optional</b>.</p> <p><i>Why?</i> - Save time. Streamline the lesson plans so that they all follow a standard, easy-to-follow format (ie, Play, Teach, Create, Share)</p>
<b>General</b>	<p><i>What?</i> - Added a debrief to each game emphasizing the takeaway</p> <p><i>Why?</i> - Reiterates the point of the game so that it doesn't get lost in the "silliness" of the game.</p>
<b>Film Examples</b>	Will become resource on Volunteer Resources page
<b>Session One</b>	<p><i>What?</i> - <i>Color the Word</i> game has moved to after Mentor/Writer share as an optional game</p> <p><i>Why?</i> - Lesson One has a lot in it, streamline the lesson a bit <i>Why we still love it?</i> - Reinforce that we all have our own voice, you get to make your story your own</p>
<b>Session Two</b>	<p><i>What?</i> - Updated Story Element Cards: Cut beginning, middle and end. <b>Lesson is at the end</b> so that sequence goes: setting, character, goal, obstacle, resolution, lesson.</p> <p><i>Why?</i> - There's been confusion over where certain elements go –what is considered the beginning? What is the middle? end? - Now you can add in language around thinking about your end point.</p>
<b>Session Four</b>	Consider simplifying Screenplay Format. Don't spend too much time and energy explaining terminology (Slug Line for example).

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<b>Session Six</b>	<p>What? - Move Brainstorm Titles and Taglines to Session Seven</p> <p>Why? - The session is jam packed and doesn't give a ton of time to writing.</p>
<b>Session Nine</b>	<p>The Pizza Party is back!</p> <p>Consider using postcards as Goodbye notes from mentors.</p> <p>Consider having everyone sign each other's script (like a yearbook)</p> <p>Budget for the semester: \$125</p>