



# CREATING SUCCESSFUL WRITERS WITH MENTOR TEXTS

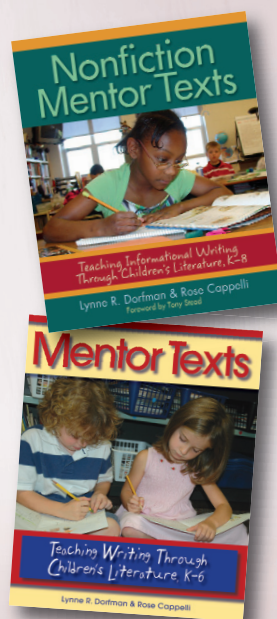
## Grades 2-8

December 3, 2009 • PSE&G in Edison, NJ

**T**his hands-on workshop will focus on the use of a variety of rich literature to demonstrate practical, classroom tested writing lessons. Emphasis will be placed on the gradual release of responsibility for writing workshop lessons that include reflection as a key component. Student writing samples will be shared.

### — Participants will: —

- Explore the possibilities for keeping a writer's notebook
- Develop an understanding of the importance of teacher as writer and teacher modeling in the classroom
- Learn strategies to study the craft of favorite classroom authors
- Discover how to use mentor sentences and passages to develop an understanding of the purpose of careful editing



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Rose and Lynne have presented workshops across Pennsylvania, as well as at many state and national conferences.

### About the Presenter