Powerful presentation of a life story. Everyone has a Life Story. Sometimes it can only be told in pictures; sometimes it can be told in words. This is the Life Story of every child who has ever uprooted, brought to a new country, and faced with a new school, new customs, and a new language. Terrific language...".and we'll call our classroom Writers Galore."

This is a visual and poetic journey back to those times on the prairie and the feelings they elicit.

Daddy Wes tells how Africans were brought to America as slaves, and then tells of the historical story of the Black Americans in the U.S. He promises his children that as long as they can hear the rhythm of the earth. they will free. ..Become a drum" Powerful message for all children to strive for their unique talents and passions; also illustrations are bold, dramatic mixed-media rag paintings. Wow!

Three tales woven together, the way human lives are connected despite distance and time. Great for story telling. This story shows us how the stories of the past can join with the unfolding future, turning one lonely old woman and one lonely young boy into friends.

A quiet message that all living things are connected to each other and gently suggests the importance of expressing thanks by word and deed.

This book tells the story from a journaling point of view of one of the many brave young Native Americans who took that long, lonely journey into the white man's world and studied at the Carlisle Indian School. Writing prompt. Actual format of book structure is a ledger. Glossary, pictographs, short history of the Carlisle Indian School, and the Lakota people.

Seven women left indelible imprints on the past They fought many battles but never in any wars. They found a million ways to be brave.

Parallel presentation of Rag's (the lost dog) days and nights in full color on the left side of the page and of the girl and her father's days and nights in muted earth tones on the right side.

Great-Aunt Gladys is a traveler, and she loves to share her adventures through pictures, letter, and postcards. Great writing prompt.

Actual diary of author when she was eight and living with her parents in Swaziland, a tiny country in southern Africa. Great model and prompt for the integration of language and visual literacy.
   Blending of culture of Morocco and the importance and weaving of storytelling.

   Gentle autobiographical telling of having dreams as a young girl and then how they "play out' as an adult.

   Third book by Marissa Moss that encourages all students to enjoy and have fun with journaling...more than that!!! Other books: Amelia's Notebook and Amelia Writes Again.

   Autobiographical telling of author's struggle to learn to read and the role of her fifth grade teacher in unlocking the mystery of decoding.

   Best friends Molly and Ben do everything together, including celebrating birthdays. but when they can't agree on which tent to get for camping out, their friendship seems to be headed for trouble. Captures the ups and downs of friendship and its true meaning. Clear, usable writing prompt format.

   Full of wit and charm; a hilarious story about a budding original thinker.

   "My own children are grown up now; that's how old I am. But sometimes I look back and I remember This is the beginning page and pages follow full of illustrations, accompanied with concise and crisp remembrances.

   Thompson has created a brilliant fantasy of exploration of a young boy's heart and soul who imagines a place that allows him to find the peace within himself.

   Three prairie journals open a page of American history full of all the hopes and fears of a family as they set out to start a new life as pioneers of the west.

   Richard Van Camp poses the question of the title of this book to family members, friends, and even the artist, George Littlechild. The presentation of the answers is humorous and delightful. Great ideas and pattern for reflective writing.

   Delightful, colorful, articulate, powerful writing prompt. Everything in this book screams out... brain based research!

   A poignant story of the magic of storytelling binding intergenerationally and the loss for the young child when Miz Berlin dies.