

**BOOKTalks!**

**Bring the  
Heat!**

**Hook**

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**Energy**

Say it loud and proud. Have fun!

**Audience**

Connect with your audience.

**Time**

Keep it short.

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- o Tell about the problem in the story, but **don't give away the ending!**
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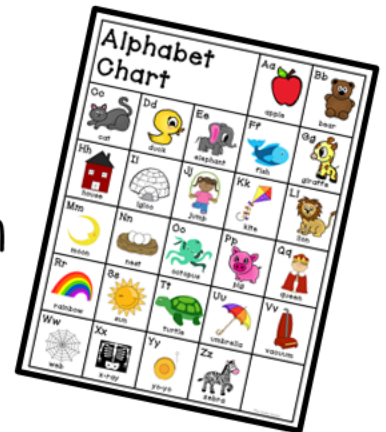
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