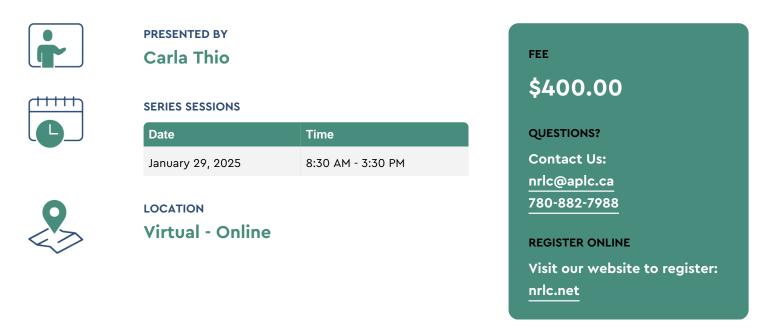


# **Empowering Writers Training**



## Learning Opportunity

**Empowering Writers** is designed to help maximize your teaching time throughout the school year and boost your Provincial Achievement Test (PAT) preparation efforts when that time approaches. Learn skills and strategies for teaching effective narrative writing and how these skills can be effectively taught in ELA, Social Studies, Humanities and Science classes too. This Empowering Writers workshop will help you be prepared and feel more confident in teaching the foundational writing skills your students require.

## What You Get:

- 6 hours of virtual instruction with Master Educator Carla Thio
- Full year access to digital resources on the Empowering Writers HUB

## What You Will Learn:

- Instructional tools to support deeper comprehension of text
- How to apply analysis skills to constructed response
- Confidently teach narrative writing, and learn how to provide actionable feedback when assessing student work
- Gain understanding of foundational writing skills to help students effectively respond
- to text and strengthen both writing abilities and reading comprehension skills

#### Part 1- Launching into Literacy

- Understanding EW's Methodology and how it creates writing success
- Recognizing Genre
- Identifying Organizational Frameworks (e.g., Informational vs. Narrative)
- Learning How to Annotate and Analyze Text
- Finding Literary Elements for Literary Analysis
- Identifying Text Conventions (clues) for Constructed Response

#### Part 2 - Narrative Skills

- Developing an Entertaining Beginning
- Creating Elaborate Details
- Building Suspense
- Describing the Main Event
- Developing Extended Endings

#### Part 3– Putting It All Together

- Practicing Process Writing
- Forming Assessment Rubrics

Recap of Today's Learning - Narrative Writing

### **Presenters**

#### Carla Thio

Carla Thio has been a classroom teacher for 23 years in Calgary, Alberta. She has become the go-to person for teaching writing. Her students are proof that Empowering Writers yields success. Students arrive to her class excited to write but more importantly confident in writing.

