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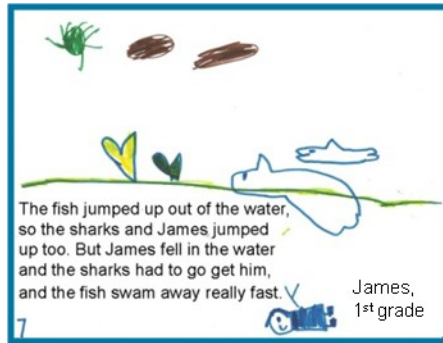


Kids Write & Create emphasizes writing as a gateway to literacy for children at the Young Scholars Frederick Douglass School in North Philadelphia. Students in kindergarten through second grade work one-on-one with Temple mentors from the Department of Communication Sciences & Disorders and the Department of Public Health. Activities include reading books, writing and illustrating their own books, learning strategies for academic achievement, healthy living and positive self-esteem. With help from their mentors, children plan, dictate and illustrate the text for their books. The children’s mentors then type the text and convert the pictures into digital form for publication. Books are printed, bound and presented to the children during special authors’ celebrations at the end of each term.

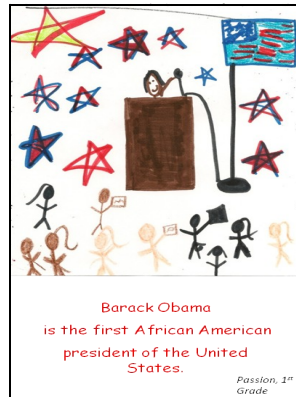


Sample Pages from children’s books

Unit 1: Narrative



Unit 2: Famous African Americans

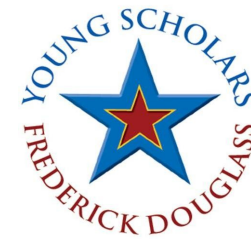


Unit 3: Hazards of Second-Hand Smoke



One Temple mentor’s comment about the program:

“The major strength in this program [Kids Write & Create] is how we are providing children with the opportunity to have a voice and be creative. They are shown how fun literacy can be and how they could use their imagination in the process.”



Kids Write & Create would like to thank former school Principals Mr. Edward Roulhac, Mr. Kwame Morton and Mrs. Gwendolyn Baggett along with Betsy Wice, former Director of the North Star After-School Program at the Frederick Douglass School, for their kindness in partnering with us and supporting our program. The 2010-2011 school year marks the beginning of a new chapter for the Douglass-Kids Write partnership as Douglass has become a *Young Scholars Charter School*. Farish Sawyer, Director of Student Life, and Onome Pela, School Director, are our new partners in collaboration. For additional information about **Young Scholars Frederick Douglass**, please contact Ms. Sawyer by email at FSawyer@phillyscholars.org or by phone at 202-641-4314.