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https://www.mystorybook.com/

⬛ **CATEGORY:** Action

⬛ **GRADE AND SUBJECT:** For Primary and Middle school students, and for subjects purely humanistic (prose, poetry, fables).

⬛ **SHORT DESCRIPTION:** My Storybook is a web platform that helps to create a storybook with writing, illustrations, and characters.

READING TIME: 3 minutes

⬛ **LEARNING GOALS:** Traditional teaching methods are often not enough to best stimulate students' creativity. In addition, teachers may find it difficult to teach younger students the art of creative writing and how to invent, write and develop a story with all characters in a logical, orderly manner, respecting a precise narrative structure, and the chosen genre, register and context.

⬛ **MOMENTS OF NEED OF THE TOOL:** My Storybook can help students develop their creativity and improve their expression and writing skills, by inventing stories of different genres.

⬛ **LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY (RATING) AND AGE LEVEL:** Easy, 6+

⬛ **WHY USE THIS TOOL:** My Storybook is a tool that even the youngest students can easily use. It allows teachers to assign creative writing tasks in a more fun, interactive and engaging way for students. Also, it can help teachers to explain and share information about important social issues (gender stereotypes, natural disasters, environmental problems, etc.) in a simple way suitable for primary and lower secondary school students.

TOOL DESCRIPTION: My Storybook is a web platform for creating and publishing stories. It provides users with various functions for the characterization of characters, background and text. My Storybook gives teachers a digital playground for students to practice the art of storytelling, character development, creating narrative structures and experimenting with a variety of genres from fantasy to fables, and poetry to prose.

PREPARATION AND HOW TO USE THE TOOL: Before starting to use My Storybook, it is necessary to create a personal account to sign in. It provides blank pages on which to build a personal story. For each page, students can draw, write the text using different fonts (suitable for DYS students), add images, icons, etc. It is possible to choose an unlimited number of pages or delete those in excess. Once the work is finished, a link will allow users to share the online book with others.

THE EXAMPLE: This is an example of a storybook created with My Storybook:
https://old.mystorybook.com/books/120349

RESOURCES NEEDED: Computer/Notebook/Mobile phone – Email address – Interactive whiteboard – Internet connection

ADDITIONAL REFERENCES:
- How To Integrate My Storybook Into Classrooms https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Th3h4xwi280&ab_channel=MyStorybook
- How to Make a Kids' Storybook https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MKZWc2GXTBE&ab_channel=MyStorybook
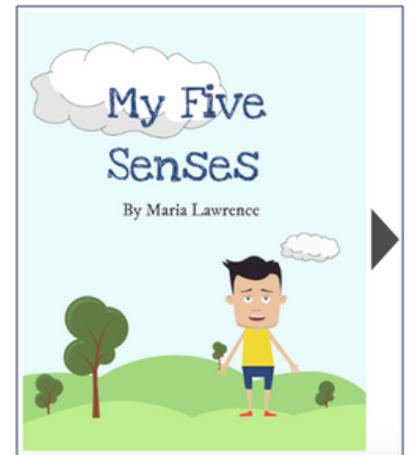
PROS AND CONS OF USING THE TOOL:
PROS Customization; very easy to use.
CONS Internet connection required; some features available only in the paid version.

TEACHERS' RECOMMENDATION RATE (SCORE): 4/5