

Teresa R. Funke

School Visit Presentations Fees and Structures

Please see my presentations flyer for descriptions of presentations.

Full Day: \$500 (\$800 out-of-state)

For this fee, you get me for the day. *You* can choose how I spend my time. Here are some options:

1. An all-school assembly plus break-out sessions with individual classes.
2. Individual presentations to various classes or combined classes within a grade.
3. A lunchtime book signing where I can meet and greet the kids.
4. A 20-minute teacher tutorial on how to teach students to use primary sources and to interview.
5. Any other variations that would best serve your school and your curricula.

Half Day: \$375 (\$500 out-of-state)

This option brings me to your school for up to three one-hour blocks of time. I can:

1. Do classroom presentations for individual classes or combined classes.
2. Offer a 20-minute teacher tutorial on how to teach students to use primary sources and to interview.
3. Do a book signing and meet and greet with students.
4. Any other variation that would best serve your school and curricula.

Single Session/Assembly Session: \$150

For this fee, I can either do an all-school assembly presentation or meet with one class or grade for up to one hour. Classroom sessions could include:

1. A formal presentation
2. A Q & A session
3. A book signing or meet and greet

Travel Expenses

- *For out-of-state visits*, please plan on paying my travel expenses, including airfare or mileage reimbursement, lodging, meals and transportation to and from the school.
- *For in-state schools* 30 miles outside of the Fort Collins area, please plan on reimbursing me for mileage at the rate of 35 cents per mile.

Freebies

- I'll donate one of my books to the school library and one to the sponsoring teacher's class.
- I'll bring postcards with fun facts about WWII and pass them out to any student who wants one. Postcards signed by me serve as a fun autograph for the kids.
- For schools that opt for the teacher tutorial, I will bring a tip sheet for how to teach good interviewing skills to kids.
- I also provide free lesson plans and teacher resources at www.teresafunke.com.

Discounts

I offer a 20 percent discount to schools that order books in advance.

How to Pay for a Visit from Teresa R. Funke

Why do I charge? I'm a working author, which means I take on paid writing work as well as producing books of my own. While I love speaking to school kids, time spent speaking means time away from paid work, and I'm just not rich and famous enough yet to be able to donate all my time. I wish I could!

Why should you pay me when there are countless other good authors to choose from? I'm a professional speaker and presenter as well as an author, and I've made a point of trying to offer presentations that are unique and will fit well into any curriculum. I also offer a teachers' tutorial and can conduct adult workshops as well.

I value reading and education and I want to work with you to make a school visit possible. Here are some ideas to help you afford my visit.

The Obvious

Partner with Someone

Ask a local business, community organization (like Rotary), library, writing organization or children's group to help you pay for an author visit.

Ask Your PTA

Ask your PTA or other parent-supported organization to help pay for the visit.

Do a Fundraiser

Kids can be creative in raising money to fund author visits. They don't even have to sell a product. They can do a Read-a-Thon-type of event or simply start a giving tree and watch donations rise.

Partner with An Established Fundraiser

See if you can piggyback your author visit fundraiser with an already established fundraiser at your school for a portion of the proceeds.

Partner with Another School or Organization

If there's another school in your area that wants to split the cost for an author visit and travel fees, I can divide my time between the schools.

The More Unique

Sell Books Instead of Paying the Fee

If you gather enough pre-orders for my book, you can pay for my visit! If your school or students pre-order just 27 copies of *Doing My Part* at the discounted rate, you can pay for a single-session visit! If you sell copies of my two adult books to parents, you can bring that number down exponentially. I will swap pre-order sales for my fee, but the bookkeeping, money collection and distribution of books must be handled by your school. I also reserve the right to sell additional books the day of the event.

Offer an Adult Workshop

Fund my visit through an accompanying workshop for parents/teachers/paraprofessionals/associates in your community. I can offer one 60-minute adult writing workshop after hours for \$25 per participant. If you guarantee at least 15 participants, I will do a free single-session or half-day visit at your school. If you guarantee 20 or more participants, I will visit your school for the whole day. Learn more about my writing workshops for adults at www.teresafunke.com.