

PLAYAWAY to Become a Reader!



GRANT RECIPIENTS

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The purpose of the grant was to provide student access to literacy and generally help students reading skills through digital self contained audio books marketed under the name “Playaway”.

Audio books were offered that did not mandate ownership of any expensive equipment for the patron, yet provided the format via the best technology available - digital. Fifth level students were surveyed in the Spring regarding choice. This facilitated the project initiation, as the students were motivated to use the audio books in the Fall. Implementation continues as the current fifth level students have started to circulate the books. Evaluation is ongoing, currently through a series of polls on my website.

NYS STANDARD

ELA Standards
1, 2, 3

GRADE LEVEL

Initially Grade 6
Goal: Grades 3-6

STUDENTS SERVED

66 6th Grade students
287 3rd - 6th Grade students

STUDENT OUTCOMES

Students had a positive experience independently experiencing higher level reading materials. They enjoyed listening to the professional interpretive presentation of the book. They were introduced to new and/or difficult vocabulary. This grant provided another access point to literacy.