



Jim Walser: Story-n-Actor

"The best assembly we've ever had...your enthusiasm is contagious!"
Principal, Arcadia School

STORYTELLING AND THE THREE R'S *Fun For Everyone*

According to the U.S. Department of Education, "Reading aloud to children is the single most important activity one can do to raise a reader." Storytelling and the Three R's *Fun for Everyone* features live animals, audience participation, pirate treasures, hobo travels, and mountain man adventures. It's a fun filled show that inspires children to love reading and teaches adults simple storytelling techniques that make reading aloud to children more enjoyable. **Read to Succeed: Read Aloud, Read Along, Read Alone!**

ADVENTURES ACROSS AMERICA *One Country Many Stories*

America is a melting pot of people from all around the world. The great American story includes my story, your story, our story — history. Adventures Across America takes a fun filled look at the humorous adventures and inspirational stories of the people who make America great. It informs, delights, inspires, and unites audiences of all ages.

TEACH THE MIND, TOUCH THE HEART *Character Education*

If *character counts* ... If respect, responsibility, and reason count as much as reading, 'riting, and 'rithmetic... If *pride* (*Polite, Responsible, Individuals Doing Extra*) is important... If your children like storytelling, skits, live animals, magic, music, and audience participation ... If good character is a matter of choice, not chance ... Choose Teach the Mind, Touch the Heart!

EARTH DAY EVERY DAY *Green Lifestyles*

Discover the beauty and the beast in all creatures as seen by *"The Phantom of the Opera"*. Enjoy the fruits of recycling with grave robber *"Barnaby P. Scrapps"*. Visit the polluted *"Mr. Codgers Neighborhood"*. Learn from a Native American Indian legend to live simply so that others may simply live. Help save the earth through the *"Magic of Whopperfield"*!



DOWN ON THE FARM

Tall tales and true stories about the mischievous adventures of farm boys hatching "pony eggs", churning butter with frog legs, getting sprayed by a skunk, bitten by a snapping turtle, and zapped by an electric fence. Whoeee! Fun for everyone!

IT'S GOING TO STING ME!

Ghoulies and ghosties...and long-legged beasties...and creepers and crawlers ... and scuttlers and slinkers... and sounds that go bump in the night. Funny stories about animals nobody loves... bees and wasps... spiders and ticks... chiggers and 'skeeters... snakes and skunks... help us face our fears and teach us a healthy respect for all animals. Good old fashioned family fun!



HAUNTED HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS

Costumed characters tell spooky stories about creepy critters that tingle the spine and tickle the funny bone! LIVE ANIMALS add to the excitement of The Headless Horseman, Wiley and the Hairy Man, Roger William's Bones, and The Haunted Forest. Perfect for everything from Halloween parties to campfire programs.

FUN FOR LITTLE ONES

Live animals, stories, songs, and games just right for preschoolers. The Itsy Bitsy Spider, There was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly, I'm Being Swallowed by a Boa Constrictor, Herman the Worm, Going on a Bear Hunt, The Other Day I Met a Bear, and Simon Says provide fun and excitement!!!

ANIMAL STORIES AND GAMES

Old fashioned fun and new fangled games for all you party animals. Wild and crazy animal stories like The Snake Bit Hoe Handle, and wacky party games like slithering snake, sleeping rattler, and fly catcher guarantee fun for everyone. And if that's not enough, there are, of course, live animals that are the star attractions of all C.R.I.CKET shows.

BEYOND BELIEF *Spirit of the Season* *Stories for Adults*

Every season should be a season of good cheer and these stories will warm the hearts, soothe the souls, and tickle the funny bones of adult audiences all year. These are not traditional holiday stories, but they do share the spirit of the holiday season which is peace and love and joy and hope and good will to all. Stories to entertain, enlighten, and uplift adults.



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