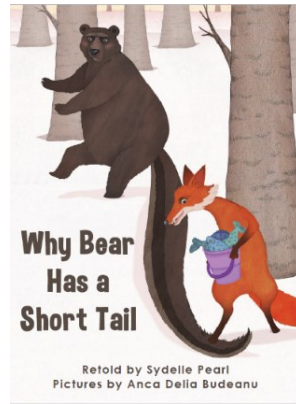
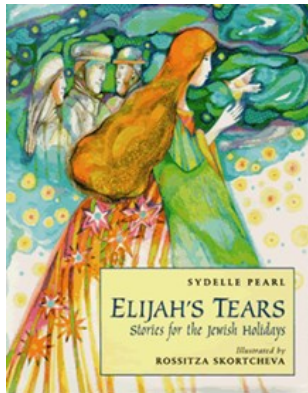
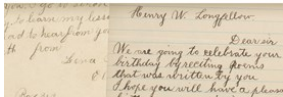
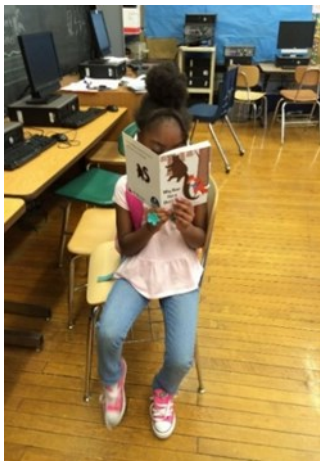


Dear Mr. Longfellow  
LETTERS TO AND FROM THE CHILDREN'S POET  
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## What are people saying about Storypears?

*"I absolutely loved your workshop last year where you went through the phases of getting published and I know the students [grades 4-8] were engaged and inspired!"*  
--Leslie Wessner, Coordinator Young Writers 2016, Pittsburgh, PA

*"On more than one occasion, children have left one shelter and reappeared in another one months later, with Sydelle's book in their backpack among their few prized possessions..."*  
--Laura Saulte, former Assistant Executive Director, Homeless Children's Education Fund, Pittsburgh, PA

*"Since 2014, Ms. Pearl has visited Saint Rosalia Academy, becoming our visiting author and infusing her love of literature in all of our students. The three components of her Storypears model, **Imagination**, **Culture**, and **Kindness** are used to contribute greatly to the students' literacy development..."*  
--Sarah Tonski, Principal, Saint Rosalia Academy, Pittsburgh, PA

*"It was such a joy to watch you interact with my students once again....Thank you for sharing your talent with our school. It is always an honor to have you visit!"*  
—Arleen McCafferty, School Librarian, Morrow School, Pittsburgh, PA

## Children's Quotes

*"Today is the best day of my life..."*  
--second grader, Saint Rosalia's Academy, Pittsburgh, PA

*"I love reading with you..."*  
--third grader, shelter resident, Pittsburgh, PA

*"Cuz of you, I'm starting my own book at home..."*  
--fourth grader, Dilworth School, Pittsburgh, PA

*"Dear President Obama,  
We've been learning about "Hope" in America. We began by reading a book titled Hope Somewhere in America by Ms. Sydelle Pearl. It was exciting to have her in our class. She took us on a journey using a timeline from slavery to freedom. We started by learning about Harriet Tubman and ended with you..."*  
—fourth graders, Dilworth School, Pittsburgh, PA

