

PBS Learning Media Resources

Teen Writer!

Forget flat, one-dimensional fiction and give readers a story that will stick with them long after they finish the last page! From creative writing prompts to innovative tips to infuse your fiction with unique details, *Teen Writer!* is a fun way to take your stories from *just fine* to *fabulous!*

The Power of Verbs

Exciting fiction is all about *action*, and award-winning writer Gina Catanzarite reveals exercises to help teens build a strong “verb vocabulary.” Use just the right verb to describe everything from exhilarating action sequences to dramatic heartfelt moments in your plot, and your fiction will come alive life in the readers’ imagination!

Watch a video segment and answer a series of contextual questions. Understand the difference between a myth and mythology. Build vocabulary, reading and comprehension skills by using the vocabulary list.

[The Chronicles of Narnia | The Great American Read](#)

[The Giver by Lois Lowry | The Great American Read](#)

[Heroes and Hope in Frank Herbert's Dune | The Great American Read](#)

[Alice's Adventures in Wonderland | The Great American Read](#)

[And Then There Were None | The Great American Read](#)

[Looking for Alaska | The Great American Read](#)

[The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy | The Great American Read](#)

[Jane Eyre & First-Person Narrative | The Great American Read](#)

[Pride and Prejudice | The Great American Read](#)

[This LearningMedia collection highlights books from The Great American Read](#) that find their way into classrooms and onto summer reading lists. It includes additional resources across PBS partners that contextualize the authors and the impact these books have had on specific readers and throughout history. (contain vocabulary words)

