

LAURIE THOMPSON

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OBJECTIVE

- To spark dreams, instill self-confidence and foster a lifelong love of learning in young children through high-quality fiction and nonfiction literature.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Established freelance writer with over 20 published articles (clips available at <http://LaurieThompson.com>).
- Education and work experience in mathematics, computer science, technology, and writing.
- Personal interests in child development, literacy, social studies, history, biography, animals, health, and science.
- Mother of two young children (first and third grades).

PUBLICATIONS (Clips available at <http://LaurieThompson.com>)

- “New Life for Retired Tires,” KNOW (<http://knowmag.ca>), Nov/Dec 2007
- “Extreme Treasure Hunt,” Wee Ones Magazine, May/June 2007
- “Bones of Steel,” KONO Magazine (<http://konomag.com>), May 2007
- “Spotting the Spots,” KNOW (<http://knowmag.ca>), March/April 2007
- “Riders for Health,” FACES (<http://cobblestonepub.com/magazine/FAC>), March 2007
- “The Scoop on Poop,” KNOW (<http://knowmag.ca>), Sept/Oct 2006
- Many parenting articles for ParentMap magazine (<http://parentmap.com>).

EDUCATION

- SCBWI National Winter Conference and Writers’ Intensives, New York, NY (2009)
- SCBWI National Summer Conference in Los Angeles, CA (2008, 2009)
- *Easy Reader/Chapter Book Workshop*, Anastasia Suen, <http://asuen.com> (2007-2009)
- SCBWI Western Washington’s Annual Writing and Illustrating for Children Conference (2007, 2008, 2009)
- SCBWI Western Washington’s Weekend on the Water Writers’ Retreat, (2008)
- *Writing for Children and Teenagers*, Institute for Children’s Literature (2005-present)
- *Intensive Educational Book Markets Workshop*, Anastasia Suen, <http://asuen.com> (2005)
- *Magic of Writing for Children Workshop*, Bellevue Community College, Bellevue, WA (2005)
- *Extended Getting Started in Writing Course*, <http://WritersOnlineWorkshops.com> (2004)
- Advanced courses in genetics, physics and chemistry, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester, MA (2000)
- *Diploma for Animal Care Specialist*, Professional Career Development Institute (1995-1997)
- *B.S. Applied Math/Software Engineering*, Summa Cum Laude with many requirements for technical writing minor, University of Wisconsin–Stout, Menomonie, WI (1989-1994)

WORK EXPERIENCE

- Freelance writer, Bellevue, WA (<http://LaurieThompson.com>) (2004-present)
- Owner and Co-Founder, Cosource.com, Redmond, WA (1999)
- Staff Software Engineer/Technical Liaison, Intel Corporation, Redmond, WA (1999)
- Staff Software Engineer/Technical Liaison/Manager, S3 Inc., Santa Clara, CA and Redmond, WA (1995-1999)
- Associate Programmer, IBM Corporation, Boca Raton, FL (1994-1995)

AFFILIATIONS

- Co-Regional Advisor and Conference Director, Society of Children’s Book Writers and Illustrators Western Washington region (2009-present)
- Advisory Committee and Conference Coordinator, Society of Children’s Book Writers and Illustrators Western Washington region (2007-2009)
- Member, Society of Children’s Book Writers and Illustrators (2005-present)

(References available upon request)