

Behind Peggy's English Bookstore

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Literature initializes with delight and ends with wisdom

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To search for delight and wisdom in your life, you should not miss literature. To win the hearts of children, you cannot miss Peggy's storytelling. To find a great treasure at an English bookstore, you can visit Peggy's bookstore. To find tips for English teaching, you should talk to Peggy, the most devoted and easy-going friend to readers.

There are many children's books in Peggy's Bookstore. Though the store is really small, it is both cute and impressive. To many adult's surprise, there are no English textbooks, drill books, or references but colorful and interesting story books in Peggy's bookstore. Sorted celebrated authors' names or by popular topic, many children's books are available in the store. They are handy for busy readers or casual readers to use. It is not hard to find lots of awarding books which include Caldecott Medal, Newberry Medal winners, etc. there.

Peggy's Bookstore opened in 2001. One year later, Peggy started to work on the Peggybsite. Peggy is thankful to Morgan building the first Peggybsite and to those who gave me help. The Peggybsite has been updated many times. Peggy also finished the English Peggybsite to help the foreigners and others who come back from overseas to find the books in Taiwan.

Although Peggy has updated her website many times, the index structure still remains the same. Peggy highlighted the "[Story Books](#)" and "[Chapters Books](#)" for children and teenagers. She also classified all of the books by [topic](#) to help readers to find the books easily. As well, she introduced the important rewards of children's books all over the world and described awarded books in the website.

Recently, Peggy has held various activities at her store. First, "**RENT**" is suggested to encourage the habit of mass reading. Due to costly English story book and the resources between cities and countries, many children do not have chance to read them. Fortunately, readers can depend on their parents' budget but read more by lending books in Peggy's store. In addition, "**Story Telling Time**" is used to

help the children to learn about other books. Thirdly, **“Reading Camp”** allows more children to read and learn English together.

Currently Peggy has tried to compose a website for the **“On-Line Reader”**. It is used to help the children whose parents are busy in reading with them. It’s not easy to find the audio books for all the English story books. To deal with the problems, children are suggested to read aloud. To provide children’s with a good model of oral reading, Peggy reads selected books by herself and put it on-line, which is really helpful for all readers on-line.

Though Peggy has been devoted to running her bookstore, she continues searching her dreams by spreading the English Story Book Reading seeds to more schools. Peggy hopes that children in Taiwan can enjoy reading more books than before. She also hopes to be more professional in children’s and adolescent literature in the future. In this way, children in Taiwan can read more English books to enrich their minds and explore their own vision. Since many hands make light work, Peggy hopes to recruit college students to promote individualized reading programs. If you haven’t checked your e-mail from Peggy, you may miss the wonderful world of Peggy. Hope you will get e-mail from Peggy in order to touch the heart of children always.