

## Dr. Mike Lockett – Bio at a Glance – Storyteller/Author



Over **4000 presentations**, 33-Year Veteran Teacher and Administrator,  
25+ years in Reading Education,  
**40+ Years as a storyteller**, Reasonable Rates and Great Audience Appeal

### Programs in 32 States and 17 States

- \* Keynote Speaker and workshop presenter for **West Virginia Reading Conference**, 2019, 2021
- \* Featured Speaker at 'Live Folk Series', **Seas Global Institute**, India's First Virtual School in 2021
- \* Workshop Leader for **National Taipei School of Business** and Judge for Storytelling Contests, 2021
- \* On-line Recordings for multiple Illinois Library Reading Programs during the pandemic, 2020-2021
- \* Storyteller for Scouting Programs for 5 decades in McLean County, IL 1972-2021
- \* Emcee for Children's Concert for **Nest Fest for Northeast Storytelling Organization**, 2020
- \* Storyteller for 10 years, **Normal Parks and Recreation – Summer Stories in the Park**, 4 wk sessions, 2011-2021
- \* Featured Storyteller with Jim May, Antonio Roche, and Kim Weitcamp, **Moonshell Festival**, Nebraska, 2019
- \* Workshop Leader, Storyteller and Speaker at **International Reading Conference** in Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Minneapolis, New Orleans, Orlando, San Antonio, and Toronto, Canada.
- \* 12- time International Chorus Competitor at **International Harmony Society**, Chorus ranked top 3% in World
- \* 25 tours of Taiwan - incl. presentations to **Taiwan Reading Association, Taiwan Library Association**, working for **American Institute in Taiwan (AIT)** along with Scholastic and Disney and for multiple publishing houses.
- \* 15 tours of China and 2 tours of Hong Kong (working in schools and with educators in both countries)
- \* Featured Speaker/Featured Storyteller, **Storymoja Literacy Festival, Nairobi, Kenya**, 2017
- \* Featured Author at **Illinois Reading Conference**, 2016, plus dozens of presentations over last 30 years for **IRC**, have presented at more than 20 individual reading associations across Illinois
- \* Featured Storyteller at **Stone Soup Festival** in North Carolina, 2017, New Voice at festival in 2016
- \* Regional Storyteller at **St. Louis Storytelling Festival**, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018
- \* Featured Storyteller at 18<sup>th</sup> **Tehran Storytelling Festival in Iran**, 2016 (2<sup>nd</sup> American in 18 years at Festival)
- \* Featured Storyteller at **Capital Area Storytelling Festival**, Washington DC, 2015 (with Donald Davis & G. Buckley)
- \* Featured Author at **Tennessee Reading Conference**, 2014, 2015
- \* Featured Storyteller at **White Mountain Storytelling Festival**, 2014
- \* Featured Storyteller at **Cumberland Mountain Storytelling Festival**, 2011 and 2014
- \* Featured Storyteller with Bobby & Sherry Norfolk and others, **Taichung Taiwan Storytelling Carnival**, 2014
- \* Featured Author and workshop leader at **Kentucky Reading Conference**, 2013
- \* Featured Storyteller with others for 12-Day **Christian Storytelling Tour of Israel and Palestine**, 2012
- \* Featured Presenter, at **English Teachers Conference/Pan-Asian Consortium**, Taipei, Taiwan, ROC, 2011
- \* 2 tours of South Korea – incl. - Keynote for **Korean Elementary Teachers of English Association Conference**
- \* 8 times - keynote presenter - **ASCD Kindergarten Conference** - 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2019, 2020, 2021.
- \* 4 time- presenter at **National Storytelling Conference** (St. Louis, Los Angeles, Kansas City and Freemont, CA)

- \* Featured presenter for **Bahamas' Education Ministry**, Nassau, Bahamas
- \* Featured Author and presenter at **Michigan Reading Conference** in 2011, 2012
- \* Keynote Speaker and featured author, **Diamond Sate Reading Conference** in Delaware, 2011
- \* Featured workshop presenter for **Iowa Reading Conference** in 2010
- \* Featured Speaker and workshop presenter for **Indiana Reading Conference** in 2010
- \* 6 times - Speaker/storyteller for **National Christian Storytelling Conference** (Illinois & Kentucky)
- \* Conference Speaker - **Sharing the Fire Storytelling Conference**, Warwick, Rhode Island
- \* Keynote Speaker - **Urban Education Conference**, Chicago
- \* Keynote Speaker - **No Child Left Behind Conference**, Chicago
- \* Keynote Speaker - **Illinois Title I Directors' Association** - Springfield
- \* Keynote Speaker - **Illinois Bilingual Conference** - Springfield
- \* Featured storyteller at festivals in Wash. DC, CA, HI, IL, MA, MO, NH, SC, TN, WI, China, Kenya, Taiwan & Iran
- \* Feature presenter in Hawaii for **Talk Story - Storytelling Conference** and Festival
- \* Folk Dancer and Singer in 4-week Performing Tour of Portugal, Spain, France, England, and Wales

## **Dr. Lockett's Works include a wide variety of Books, Articles and Recordings:**

### **New Upcoming Works**

- **Dr. Lockett has 5 books and 5 coloring books** – written, edited, illustrated, recorded and ready to release in Taiwan when the Pandemic ends, Giant Elephant Publishers, anticipated release 2023.
  - **Brother Goat Eats Rocks**
  - **The Bear Family's Housekeeper**
  - **The Elephant's Friends**
  - **The Giant Pumpkin**
  - **Racing the Dinosaur**

**Dr. Lockett has 6 children's picture books** – written, edited, illustrated, recorded and eady to release in Taiwan when the Pandemic ends, Santa Publishing, anticipated release date 2023.

- **Lizard Wins a Duel**
- **Robin's Christmas Song**
- **The Tiger's Teacher**
- **The Wise Deer and the Foolish Tiger**
- **Why Bear Sleeps All Winter**
- **Why Mary Had a Little Lamb**

**Published Works** Dr. Lockett has written and contributed to over 200 articles, books and recordings.

**The House at the Top of the Bottoms**, YA Novel, Parkhurst Bros. Publishing, 2021

**The Hungry Wolf** - Children's Picture Book with Audio, 2019

**The Giant Pumpkin** - Children's Picture Book with Audio 2019

**The Goats in the Garden** - Children's Picture Book with Audio, 2019

**The Turtle Who Talked Too Much** - Children's Picture Book with Audio, 2019

**24 Storytelling Articles for *Studio Classroom***, Sponsored by Taiwan Christian Television, 2016 - 2018

**English Explorer Series A** (2016) - 18 Recorded Songs and Chants to accompany **Book by Scholastic South Korea**

**English Explorer Series B** (2016) - 18 Recorded Songs and Chants to accompany **Book by Scholastic South Korea**

**Nursery Rhyme Readers** (2014) - 12 Recorded Stories and **Songs for Scholastic Singapore**

**The Cat and the Mouse** (2<sup>nd</sup> edition, 2016) - Children's bilingual book (English and Spanish)

**Hickory Dickory Dock** (2<sup>nd</sup> edition, 2016) - Children's bilingual book (English and Spanish)

**Mary Had a Little Lamb** (2<sup>nd</sup> edition, 2016) - Children's bilingual book (English and Spanish)

**Humpty Dumpty and the Great Fall**, (2<sup>nd</sup> edition, 2016) - Children's bilingual book (English and Spanish)

**Humpty Dumpty and the Great Fall**, (2013) – Children's bilingual book (English and Chinese) - Winner Dove Seal

**Series of 35 bilingual articles on World Holidays** for "**Chang Tang Magazine**" (Taiwan, 2011, 2012, 2013)

**The Magic Eyes of Little Crab** (2010) - Children's bilingual book (English and Chinese) - Winner 3 awards

**Monkey and Rabbit Together** (2010) - Children's bilingual book (English and Chinese) - Winner 2 awards

**The Cat and the Mouse** (2009) - Children's bilingual book (English and Chinese) - Winner Dove Seal of Approval

**Hickory Dickory Dock** (2009) - Children's bilingual book (English and Chinese) – Winner 3 awards

**Mary Had a Little Lamb** (2009) - Children's bilingual book (English and Chinese) - Winner Dove Seal of Approval

**Teddy Bear** (2009) - Children's bilingual book (English and Chinese) - Winner Dove Seal of Approval

**Basics of Storytelling** (Taiwan, 2008) – Manual for beginning storytellers, published in Mandarin by CAVES

**Tales of Delight** - (2009) - Winner Children's Storytelling DVD of the Year, Creative Child Magazine

**Tales of Delight** -Taiwanese Version (2008) 12 video recordings made for children and families

**Bees, Beetles, Butterflies and Other Beguiling Bugs** (2008) Contributed to E-Book by Jackie Baldwin

"**How Normal Became Normal**," **Night Train** , (2006) Historical story about how Normal, Illinois got its name.

**Christmas from the Heart** (2012) Audio CD, Christmas Stories and Songs, Stories Behind Favorite Music.

**Tales and Fables: East Meets West** (2008) - Winner - Storytelling CD of the Year Award, Creative Child Magazine

**Tales for the Young at Heart** (2007) - Winner of 3 awards incl. National Associat. of Parenting Products Award

**Tales from Around the World** (2006) - Winner 2 national awards

**Tales from the Hills** (2000,2006) - Winner Gold Seal of Approval Award

**Art of Storytelling\*** by John Walsh (2003) \* Contributing Author - into 3rd printing - over 20,000 copies sold

**Easy To Read Readers** - Recordings and DVD (2007) Recorded ten stories by Puffin Co for East West Pub., Taiwan

"**Hidden Treasures in Asia**" **Storytelling Magazine**, (2007) Re: Children's Storyhouse in Taipei, Taiwan.

**Articles** –From 2005-2022 Dr. Lockett has published 225+ stories on his website at [www.mikelockett.com](http://www.mikelockett.com) for teachers, home school educators and parent to use in educating young children. Dr. Lockett published and shared many works in education periodicals, local newspapers and in papers shared during conference presentations from 1972-2005 as part of Dr. Lockett's positions as a teacher, school administrator, educational consultant, staff developer, and storyteller – Including: Tales from Other Lands Video (1998, 2002), Extended Day Learning Activities for At-Risk Learners (2002), Serving the Underserved: Utilizing Fine Arts (1999)," Basic Grant Components in The Reading Teacher (1993), "The Effects of Systematic Listening Instruction on the Reading Comprehension and Mathematics Applications of At-Risk Elementary Students" (1992), Holiday Stories (1993), Multicultural Stories (1993), What Teachers Say About Literacy (1992), Appalachian Tales (1992), Lighting the Fire of Gifted Students (1991) and multiple other works.