

## **BEFORE THE VISIT**

- Read or have your students read the author's book(s).
- Do a research project on the author (where is the author from? What kind of books does he/she write? How did he/she become an author?) This information is usually available on the author's website or through a Google search. To find out more about me, visit my <u>Bio</u> page.
- Do a class project around the author or his/her work (a collage, book jacket, poster etc.)
- Prepare a list of questions to ask the author. Here are some examples of questions you might ask: <a href="https://www.teachervision.com/suggested-author-interview-questions">https://www.teachervision.com/suggested-author-interview-questions</a>.
- Create something fun to welcome the author to your school/class (a welcome sign, assign a welcome committee or student ambassador). It helps the students connect with the author on a personal level.

## THE DAY OF THE VISIT

- Welcome the author to your school. Every author loves a warm welcome!
- Listen respectfully.
- Ask questions.
- Have fun!

## **AFTER THE VISIT**

• Authors love receiving letters and cards from students!

• Make a group thank you or create individual ones.

My goal as an author is to make sure your students have fun, learn something about the writing, editing and research process, encourage the love of stories and reading, and for me to connect with my readers. I welcome all feedback, so please let me know what you think of my visit and what you might like to see on future visits.