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## Engaging their minds through stories Using picture books to promote effective thinking

Presenter – Vanessa Hodgkiss

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### In this session:

This workshop is based on the idea that picture books are not only for reading, but are an invaluable resource for encouraging deeper thinking. Participants will explore the ways in which picture books can be used to develop students thinking skills and to explore key concepts and ideas about the world. This session will include engaging in philosophical discussions based on picture books. A range of resources and strategies will be provided, as well as examples and planning assistance that teachers can utilise in their classrooms.

This full day course will:

- Explore thinking skills and how picture books can be used to develop and promote deep thinking in the classroom.
- Participate in philosophical dialogue based on well known- picture books.
- Explore the concepts and ideas in various picture books, and how these can be used in the classroom.
- Gain assistance with planning lessons to promote deep thinking based on picture books.

### About the presenter:

**Vanessa Hodgkiss** – Vanessa Hodgkiss has a Master of Education degree from the University of Melbourne in the area of Thinking Development in Schools and the Thinking Curriculum. She has worked as a Thinking Development and Philosophy for Children coordinator at the primary school level, and has worked extensively with schools in the Doveton-Endeavour Hills Cluster to introduce Philosophy for Children to both primary and secondary schools. Vanessa is an accredited teacher educator of Philosophy for Children, and conducts training and professional development sessions for teachers and parents.

### SATURDAY WORKSHOP

**Date:**  
Saturday 20 March 2010

**Venue:**  
Penguin Head Office  
250 Camberwell Road  
Camberwell, VIC 3124

**Time:**  
9.00am – 12.30pm  
(lunch included)

**Cost:**  
\$99.00 per person  
(incl. GST and session handouts)

**Parking:**  
Free onsite

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