

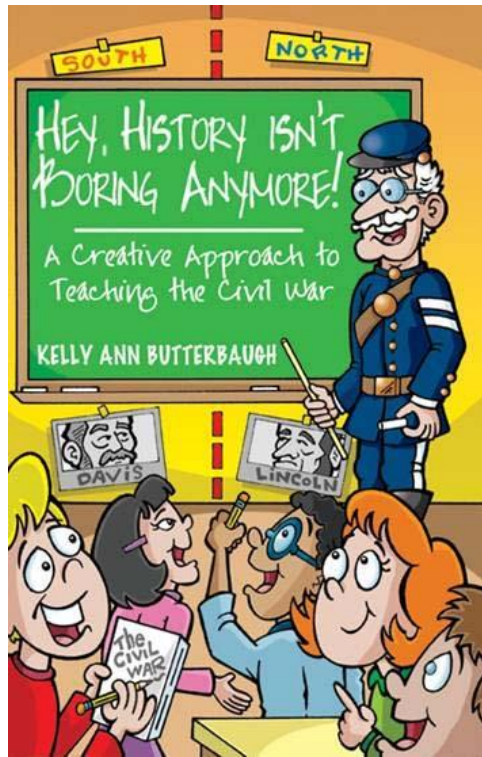
History Isn't Boring Anymore!

About the Presenter

“By taking an audience’s interests and connecting them to a text, a person can save the lost reader,” says Kelly Ann Butterbaugh as she talks about her new book, *Hey, History Isn't Boring Anymore!*.

After writing articles for more than sixteen different publications, teacher Kelly Ann Butterbaugh published her first book with White Mane Publishing in June 2008. *Hey, History Isn't Boring Anymore!* has fun with history and teaches a different way of looking at non-fiction texts. Now, the author brings her experiences of book authorship, freelance writing, collegiate instruction, and public school teaching to her audiences.

Kelly holds a current PA teaching certificate and teaches in the Salisbury Township School District as well as at Lehigh Carbon Community College. She has her BA in English from Moravian College and her MED. in



*Students will learn to look at history in a different way.

*Through activities that allow students to look past the facts and focus on feelings and personal connections, they will change their description of history from “boring” to “brilliant.”

*Learn to effectively integrate primary documents and steer away from the traditional textbooks.

*Integrate technology and internet resources into your lessons.

*The activities can be adapted for grades 5-12.

*Many of the techniques and activities refer to Academic Literacy and Reading Apprenticeship strategies.

“Is my personality really like that of Harriet Tubman?”

“Did Civil War soldiers have fleas?”

“How could women’s quilting bees buy gunboats for the Confederate army?”

Have you or your colleagues ever uttered these words? Try to bring non-fiction from “boring” to “brilliant” with a different way of looking at things.

Author and teacher Kelly Ann Butterbaugh discusses strategies for teaching and reading non-fiction that help raise students’ interests and levels of understanding.

The presentation focuses on the Civil War, but by request it can include:

- Am. Revolution
- Aztecs & Mayans
- Babylonia
- Genghis Khan
- Louis XIV & Versailles
- Napoleon, Roanoke
- the Roman Empire
- Russian Czars
- Samurai
- the Tudors
- Vikings

✚ Activities and techniques discussed meet the following state standards:

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✚ NJ State Standards: 3.4A; 6.1A; 6.2B; 6.4G