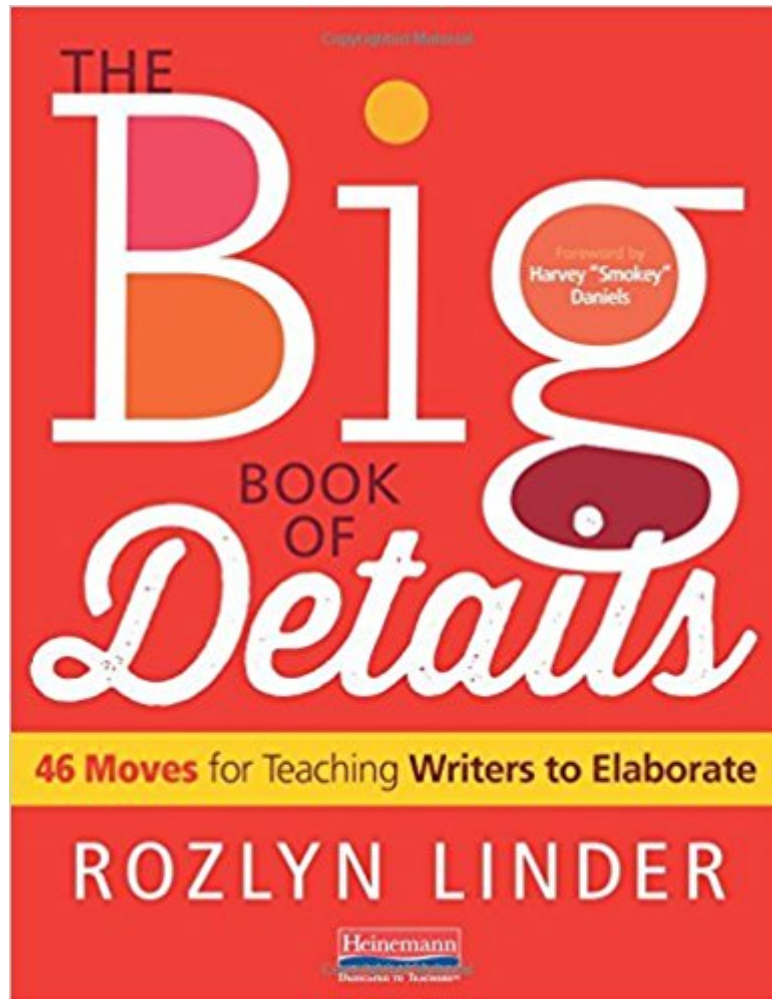


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# The Big Book Of Details: 46 Moves For Teaching Writers To Elaborate



## Synopsis

"The writing lessons in this book are organized to quickly unpack the detail move, explain when and why the strategy works well, share how I have taught it to my students, and offer ways to make it your own." -Rozlyn Linder

Have you ever told a writer to add more details, only to see their writing get longer not better? That's why Roz Linder wrote *The Big Book of Details*. "To help our students use details and elaborate effectively," she writes, "we need to find out what they want their writing to do, and then show them explicit moves to make it happen." Roz breaks elaboration into 5 categories and shares 46 lessons based on the moves that professional writers use. With if-then charts that connect student needs to just-right strategies, you'll help writers master details that:

- Describe: for people, places, and things
- Dance: for showing action and sequencing events
- Convince: for questions, persuasion, and arguments
- Inform: for defining, comparing, and clarifying
- Speak: for conversation and speech.

*The Big Book of Details* supports planning and on-the-go teaching for one-on-one conferences, whole-class instruction, or commercial writing programs. Its lessons are organized to help kids understand each move quickly. Roz's strategy lessons include: examples from real-world writers the reason writers use the strategy advice for introducing it to writers ideas for guided practice with writers examples of one of Roz's famous classroom charts

"This is what I want for my students," writes Roz Linder, "to use details in their writing in a meaningful way that conveys their ideas and their purpose." If you want that too, then make her *Big Book of Details* part of your teaching toolkit.

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Grade Level: 3 - 8

## Customer Reviews

Wow! This book is beyond amazing. Set up similarly to (the equally brilliant) Jennifer Serravallo's The Reading Strategies Book - this book is a must have for ANY teacher responsible for teaching writing. The book states it's appropriate for K-8, but I found most of Linder's examples to lean towards 2nd grade and up. That being said, I'd say MANY of the strategies would be applicable for first grade and I can see using this with first graders. My district uses The Teacher's College Writing Curriculum and this dovetails perfectly with it. More of a hands on book, I can see teachers using this as they confer or to beef up mini lessons. You will NOT be disappointed with this resource.

FABULOUS! After purchasing Linder's Chart Sense series, I knew The Big Book of Details would be exceptional as well. Linder has, once again, made an invaluable go-to resource. I highly recommend it, if you are seeking a publication filled with comprehensive and practical tips to help transform your students into elaborate writers. The organization of the book is tremendously teacher-friendly. It provides informative anchor charts and student writing samples. Linder breaks down the moves into segments which can better guide teachers in their instruction. The segments for each move include, "What does this move look like in writing?", "When writers make this move" , "How I introduce the move" and "Guided Writing Practice Ideas". You will NOT regret your decision to own this book. It will end up being dogeared, highlighted and tagged. I rate it 5/5 stars!

I regret not getting my hands on this book a lot earlier. I've had a lot of trouble teaching my students how to write with voice. Often times, the voice of the student gets lost in their writings. "The Big Book of Ideas" provides all of the lessons you need to enhance voice and more in an easy and ENGAGING way! I used this towards the end of the year with my seventh graders and I could CLEARLY see the transference in all writings. Easy book to pick up and learn from!

This is a most have book for any reading or writing teacher.... I can now give my 3rd graders specific feedback instead of just saying show don't tell. This book was a game changer. My students write so much better now!

Rozlyn Linder provides us with another FABULOUS text to support our writers. How many times

have we wanted to pull out our hair when working with our writers who share basic, dry, formulaic writing? Sometimes we aren't always sure how to meet the needs of our diverse writers. The 46 moves shared in this text are the PERFECT and PRACTICAL solutions to support students with "adding details". The way in which the book is set up is very teacher friendly and full of color. Linder is masterful at analyzing writing craft and explaining how to introduce these moves to children. This is a professional book that will be used year after year. Teachers will LOVE this resource because the strategies will reach every child, even the most struggling writers.

This book isn't necessarily a 'read cover to cover' kind of book (Although I did!), it's more of a guide... Students not adding dialogue? Go to page \_\_\_. Zoom in on a moment? Page \_\_\_. This book has mini lessons that you can use right away with any grade level, as well as suggestions for mentor sentences to guide the lesson. Love it!

Dr. Roz has done it again! The BBD is the perfect book to help any teacher of writing plan engaging and meaningful writing lessons! I encourage anyone who teaches writing to get this book. It will be your go-to resource and you will love watching your students turn into writers who can elaborate and provide details in creative ways.

One of the best writing books ever! As a teacher, I love the way this book is set up for lesson planning and the very easy implementation of each lesson. If you want effective techniques for teaching elaboration, this is the book for you.

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