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Creative Writing Mentorships for Girls with poet/author Karen Benke



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- For whispering poems and stories to the page minus homework & grades
- For inspiration, confidence, connection
- For expanding the imagination
- For fun!

Virtual & In-Person

A former Poet in the Schools in the Bay Area for over 20 years, Karen Benke is the parent of a college-aged son and the author of four creative writing adventure books, all go-to resources to build creative literacy. *RIP THE PAGE! LEAP WRITE IN! WRITE BACK SOON!* and *Rip ALL the Pages!* are widely translated and available internationally through Shambhala/Penguin Random House. Karen lives in Florence, Italy, works remotely with select students, and visits the Bay Area twice a year for in-person sessions and small workshops.

Rip the PAGE!

Leap Write In!

Rip All the PAGES!

Write Back Soon!

Parent testimonials:

"I consider my daughter's 9-year creative mentorship with Karen one of the best parts of her childhood...a lifeline to how she processes emotions and accesses her creativity through poem-making."

—M. Jansen

"Under her masterful guidance my daughter has become not only a competent writer but a writer of beautiful poems and prose that touch the deeper mysteries of life. K's ease, compassion and empathy provide an environment where children and teens can be vulnerable and feel inspired."

—K. Van Dyke

"We love Karen Benke. I can't explain how wonderful and inspiring this positive mentorship has been for my daughter's development as a writer."

—E. Waller de Oliveira

"My daughter had the good fortune to cross paths with Karen in a writing class as an 8-year-old. Seven years later, she continues to thrive under this creative guidance... As my daughter says, 'writing with Karen is an experience, not a class.'"

—H. McPhail Sridharan



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