Abstract: Research shows that analyzing literature is a useful and engaging way to get students to think critically and enhance language skills in preparation for college. The presenter will offer 10 tips on how to maximize the use of stories in the classroom. Two literary excerpts will illustrate her points.

Biography: Sybil Marcus is the author of the *A World of Fiction* series, which uses literature to teach integrated language and critical thinking skills to ESL/EFL students at the high-intermediate to advanced levels. She has lived and worked on four continents and taught ESL at the University of California at Berkeley Extension and in the Summer English Language Studies program on the U.C. Berkeley campus. Sybil has been a frequent presenter at ESL/EFL conferences in the United States, Mexico and Canada. For over 15 years, she ran PCIs at TESOL on using literature for integrated language studies. She has conducted workshops in Russia, Colombia, and Peru for the State Department on using literature for critical thinking purposes and using literature for conflict resolution.

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