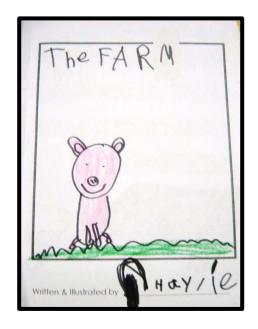
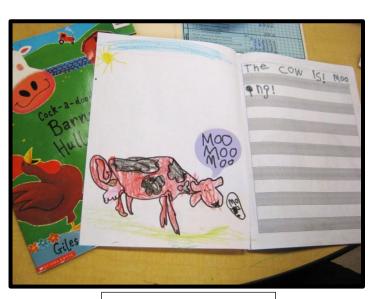
Children Write Themed Books Using Speech Bubbles

Julie Lay's kindergartners are beginning to make short books during kid writing workshop by midyear. These 4-8 page stapled books are printed on 24# white paper and sport a cover page. Julie pulls together a heterogeneous group of 5 to 6 students each day for specialized assistance with either beginning a new book, completing finishing touches, or for children who need extra help throughout the writing process. Children work on creating book titles that best describe the piece of writing. The quality of their illustrations reflect a focus on illustration study with mentor texts and introducing new art techniques as a part of writing workshop. Children delight in using speech bubbles, especially after mini-lessons on onomatopoeia. Notice children first outline their drawing in thin-tipped black marker and then add color.





The cow is mooing!



The horse is saying, "Neigh..."



The sheep is saying, "Maa, Maa!"

