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The activities in the book range from making books and writing and editing newspapers to creating a classroom museum. The book also includes lists of related resources for teachers and students. According to the book, these easy-to-implement strategies can be used with students at every age level and in a variety of settings, from primary home schooling classes to college writing courses.