

# Presentations

**Language, Culture and Identity  
(Grades 5 and Up)  
Length: 45 Minutes**

Students will learn how Baptiste's Creole language, culture and identity continues to influence his writing. Baptiste will take students on a journey exploring those three aspects of his culture by giving the first hand account of his experiences as a child.

**The Writing Process  
(Grades 3 and Up)  
Length: 45 Minutes**

In this interactive presentation, students will learn what is involved in writing a book and how successes and failures are part of the process. Additional discussion will include how writing can be fun and engaging.

**The 5 Senses - Mining Memories as a Writing Tool  
(Grades 3 and Up)  
Length: 45 Minutes**

Seeing something, hearing a word or phrase, smelling a familiar scent...all have the power to evoke poignant memories and emotions — either happy or sad. In this presentation, students will explore how using the five senses helped to craft Baptiste's book, *The Field*.

**Workshop: Creating Characters  
(For Independent Writers/ Grades 3 and Up\*)  
Length: 60 Minutes**

This workshop helps young writers recognize how to make a protagonist interesting, relatable and memorable. Baptiste will give real examples from both fiction and nonfiction books as well as strategies and exercises for them to try.

\*Best suited in a small group setting (no more than 25 participants) with tables or desks. Students must bring paper/pencil.

**Fiction/Non-Fiction  
(Grade K and up)  
Length: 45 Minutes**

Figuring out if something is fiction or non-fiction can be a bit tricky for young students. In this game-like interactive presentation, students will have the opportunity to learn how to differentiate between the two.