

Template and possible model for Antholio Author Blurb

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About the editor—

(Begin with your name, residence, and a sentence to “set up your life.” Use 3rd person throughout.)

Mrs. Carolyn Harrell is a native of Gainesville, Florida, who spends most of her time teaching gifted middle school language arts at PKY or bragging about her incredible children, Heather, Grant, and daughter-in-law, Mandy.

(Describe your reading life and likes)

When not reading student papers or critiquing literary magazines, she enjoys southern authors such as Clyde Edgerton and Kaye Gibbons; African-American writers including Toni Morrison, Bebe Moore Campbell, Alice Walker, Ernest Gaines, Colson Whitehead, Maya Angelou; an assortment of other story tellers from Thurber to Bailey White to Uncle Remus; thinkers from Thoreau to Rosenblatt and gobs of mystery series of all kinds. When encountering poetry, especially the inimitable Emily Dickinson, Mrs. Harrell is as insatiable as she is when offered coffee, pastries, or pizza.

(Describe your writing life and products)

Mrs. Harrell is a master list maker, post-it note scribbler, e-mailer, and lesson plan producer. Of the latter, she has authored thousands, and has more in various stages of development. She has edited a plethora of Fame and Glory student writings and consulted on numerous student anthologies, portfolios, and Antholios. She has published her own Literary Anthology, Writing Portfolio, and recently her Antholio, *As Simple As Possible*. Her writing speciality, however is the pithy encouraging comment for student papers. Mrs. Harrell has produced ten million such gems during her teaching career.

(Write a final paragraph to sum it all up and to foresee something positive about your future reading and writing.)

Mrs. Harrell reads and writes in order to figure out her life, to see what she believes, and to inspire her students to keep trying. She adores words—reading them, hearing them, collecting them, rearranging them. Some day she plans to complete her children’s scrapbooks, update her Antholio, write a few long letters to good friends, and sit in her garden reading, writing reflective memoirs, and composing love poems to her husband, Bob.

(Add a photograph if you wish and have a cool one handy.)