



Happy Spring! Here is an innovative and fun way to introduce (or re-introduce) the Story Grammar Marker® to your class. It is called *The Story Grammar Marker® Rap* and was written by Speech/Language pathologist and master storyteller Bonnie Greenberg ([www.bonniegreenberg.net](http://www.bonniegreenberg.net)) who lives and works in Greater Boston, Massachusetts. We have begun to teach this “rap” to educators at workshops across the country – and we have gotten feedback that the kids love it! Bonnie puts it on an overhead so the kids can sing (or *rap*) along. We want to share this “rap” with you so that you may benefit from Bonnie Greenberg’s talent and creativity as both an educator and storyteller. Enjoy!

## **The Story Grammar Marker® Rap**

**by Bonnie Greenberg**

(4/4 rhythm. Class snaps on beats 2 and 4)

The Story Grammar Marker® is a cool school tool.  
We use it in our classes and apply each rule.  
It helps us when we read and even when we write.  
It’s useful in the morning and with homework late at night.

First you read a story, then you start to trace.  
The icons on the marker help you keep your place.  
You find a character, a setting, and the kick -off, too  
And don’t forget to notice if the character feels blue.

Now the most important part--  
It’s time to make a plan.  
Resolution, if we’re lucky,  
Will be close at hand.

We’ll try one thing, then another, ‘til the problem’s solved.  
Each and every character will finally get involved.  
And when the plan’s successful, and maybe there’s been laughter,  
The characters and everyone live happ’ly ever after.

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