

# Wish List Boards


## How They Work

Wish List boards are a great tool for adding books to classroom or school libraries. They are simple to use, don't take up a lot of space or deplete your fair like wish baskets can. And, they are a handy way to boost book fair sales! Here's how they work...

■ Set up the display and make a pocket for each teacher and the librarian. The wish pocket has blank lines to fill in their name and room/grade. Once they are filled in, attach them to the wish board.

■ Invite the teachers and librarian to preview the fair and fill out Donation Cards for each book they would like to have purchased for their libraries. The Donation Cards have blank lines to fill in the following information:

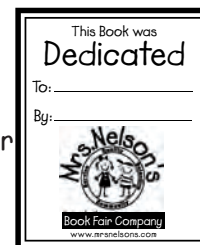
- their name
- room number/grade
- the title of the book they want, and whether it's located in a bookcase or on a table.
- what category it falls under.
- the book price
- a "donated by" line (for the person who purchases the book to fill in her or his name).



The form is titled "Book Wish Donation Card" and includes the following fields: Teacher, Room, Grade, Book Title,  Bookcase  Table, Category, Price, and Donated by.

We suggest the teachers and librarian select 5-10 wish books. Place completed cards inside the appropriate pocket.

■ Promote the wish board during the book fair. As parents shop, ask them if they'd like to purchase a book for their child's teacher or the library. They can choose a book from the appropriate wish pocket, find the book in the fair, pay for it and fill out the dedication sticker which goes inside the book's front cover (unless you have a volunteer with artistic penmanship who's offered to do so). Set the book aside to be presented to the teacher later.



The sticker is titled "This Book was Dedicated" and includes fields for To: and By: It also features the Mrs. Nelson's Book Fair Company logo and website address.



The gift certificate is from Mrs. Nelson's Book Fair Company. It includes fields for "A Gift for", "From", and "Amount". The word "SAMPLE" is written across the certificate.

■ In lieu of buying a book, parents may prefer to purchase a gift certificate. These are available for any denomination. There are blank lines for your volunteer to fill in the teacher or librarian's name, the parent's and/or child's name and the amount of the certificate.

Then have a volunteer deliver the certificate to the teacher or librarian. **Gift certificates are redeemable only at the current book fair.** Note: it is important to keep track of the gift certificates provided to you (they can be numbered), and to make sure that those purchased are redeemed.

