Stuff Your Virtual Book Bag with MeL eBooks & More!

Join us as we explore how to create and fill a Virtual Book Bag using the Michigan eLibrary's (MeL) eBooks, eJournals, and eResources.

Focus: General

Remote learning has become more of a norm and many students have spent the better part of the year learning at a distance. However, there are some tools that we will continue using even as students return to the classroom. Virtual Book Bags are one such tool, but are filled with more than just books! Join us as we explore how to create and fill a Virtual Book Bag using the Michigan eLibrary's (MeL) eBooks, eJournals, and eResources. Tools and tips will be shared at this session on the value of creating and offering virtual book bags with families in your community, using MeL.

At the end of this session, attendees will...

   -   Have an understanding of and access to tools for creating and promoting a diverse virtual book bag that will meet a wide variety of audiences.
   -   A deeper knowledge of MeL resources that can best engage diverse groups of remote users.
   -   Attendees will leave with multiple virtual bag themes with diverse subject matter, across all ages.

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