

Author Visit/ Presentation <u>Description</u>



<u>THREE LITTLE SHRIMP</u>, <u>THREE LITTLE CRAWFISH</u>, and <u>THE OAK TREE</u> are children's picture books written by retired Louisiana elementary teacher **J. Steven Spires**.

As part of his desire to share these incredible stories with families in your community, J. Steven has put together a book presentation for each story that not only entertains students but engages their minds in meaningful learning.

- J. Steven's presentation at schools, libraries, hospitals, and other public facilities includes the following highlights:

 - A reading of <u>THE OAK TREE</u> (2015), <u>THREE LITTLE SHRIMP</u> (2017), or <u>THREE LITTLE</u> <u>CRAWFISH</u> (2020) with an integrated science lesson on "natural disasters" or "prey and predators" which relates to the book reading.
 - Student engagement through pre-selected participants and other audience participation.
 - At the end of the <u>THREE LITTLE SHRIMP</u> presentation, an original song written by the author entitled "Three Little Shrimp" is sung, and students are taught the famous "Shrimp Dance."
 - A book signing follows the presentation allowing children and parents to "meet and greet" author J. Steven Spires and get their books signed and personalized.
 - Books are sold at a 15% discount to the school/hospital/library community.

How to Bring Children's Book Author J. Steven Spires to Your School or Institution

Here are some time-tested ways to bring J. Steven to your school or public or private institution.

1. **FUNDRAISER** 100 book order minimum, no honorarium required



- Institution or school receives 60% of total sales.
- The classroom and the student with the highest sales receive free gifts.
- Book signing with the author after each presentation. Free bookmarks for all students.
- One copy of each of J. Steven's books, <u>The Oak Tree</u>, <u>Three Little Shrimp</u>, and <u>Three Little</u>
 <u>Crawfish</u> is donated to the school or public library.
- 2. **IN-HOUSE FIELD TRIP** Author honorarium required (up to \$500 depending on travel), no minimum book order
 - Students are charged \$2-\$5 per person for admission to the presentation.
 - Book signing with the author after each presentation. Free bookmarks for all students.
 - One copy of each of J. Steven's books, *The Oak Tree*, *Three Little Shrimp*, and *Three Little Crawfish* is donated to the school or public library.
- 3. <u>AUTHOR VISIT OR LITERARY DAY</u> Author honorarium required (up to \$500 depending on travel), no minimum book order
 - Students enjoy the <u>Three Little Shrimp</u> presentation with no cost and no selling.
 - Book signing with the author after each presentation. Free bookmarks for all students.
 - One copy of each of J. Steven's books, <u>The Oak Tree</u>, <u>Three Little Shrimp</u>, and <u>Three Little</u> <u>Crawfish</u> is donated to the school or public library.

