

JENNY L. COTE



Award-winning author and speaker Jenny L. Cote, who developed an early passion for God, history, and young people, beautifully blends these three passions in her two fantasy fiction series, *The Amazing Tales of Max and Liz*® and *Epic Order of the Seven*®. Likened to C. S. Lewis by readers and book reviewers alike, she speaks on creative writing to schools, universities and conferences around the world. Jenny has a passion for making history fun for kids of all ages, instilling in them a desire to discover *their* part in HIStory. Her love for research has taken her to most Revolutionary sites in the U.S., to London (with unprecedented access to Handel House Museum to write in Handel's composing room), Oxford (to stay in the home of C. S. Lewis, 'the Kilns', and interview Lewis' secretary, Walter Hooper at the Inklings' famed *The Eagle and Child* Pub), Paris, Normandy, Rome, Israel, and Egypt. She partnered with the National Park Service to produce *Epic Patriot Camp*, a summer writing camp at Revolutionary parks to

excite kids about history, research, and writing. Jenny's books are available online and in stores around the world, in e-book and audio formats. Jenny has been featured by FOX NEWS on *Fox & Friends* and local Fox Affiliates, as well as numerous Op-Ed pieces on FoxNews.com. She has also been interviewed by nationally syndicated radio and print media, as well as international publications. Jenny holds two marketing degrees from the University of Georgia and Georgia State University. A Virginia native, Jenny now lives with her family in Roswell, Georgia. Official website: www.epicorderoftheseven.com

About Jenny's Books

The Amazing Tales of Max and Liz® is a two-book prequel series that begins the adventures of brave Scottie dog Max and brilliant French cat Liz. Book One: *The Ark, the Reed, and the Fire Cloud* introduces Max and Liz, who meet on the way to the Ark and foil a plot by a stowaway who is out to kill Noah and stop his mission. Book Two: *The Dreamer, the Schemer, and the Robe* brings Max, Liz, and friends to work behind the scenes in the life of Joseph in the land of Egypt. The *Epic Order of the Seven*® series picks up where the Max and Liz series left off. Book One: *The Prophet, the Shepherd, and the Star* gives Max, Liz, and the gang their most important mission yet: preparing for the birth of the promised Messiah. Their seven-hundred-year mission takes them to the lives of Isaiah, Daniel, and those in the Christmas story. Book Two: *The Roman, the Twelve, and the King* unfolds the childhood, ministry, and passion of Jesus Christ with a twist – his story is told within the story of George F. Handel composing Messiah. Book Three: *The Wind, the Road, and the Way* covers Acts 1-18 and Paul's first two missionary journeys. Book Four: *The Fire, the Revelation, and the Fall* concludes the story of Acts to the fall of Rome, showing the miraculous birth of the church amidst persecution by the Roman Empire. Book Five: *The Voice, the Revolution, and the Key* begins a multi-book Revolutionary War saga featuring Patrick Henry and the Marquis de Lafayette. Future books will feature C.S. Lewis and WWII. Jenny's books have been developed into **Audiobooks**, a **Study Guide**, a **Podcast**, and **VBS curriculum** (*Heroes of HIStory*) with animation by Magnetic Dreams in Nashville, TN. Future plans include an animated feature film adaptation of *The Ark, the Reed, and the Fire Cloud*. Keep up with Jenny and her latest news by subscribing to Epic E-news at www.epicorderoftheseven.com.

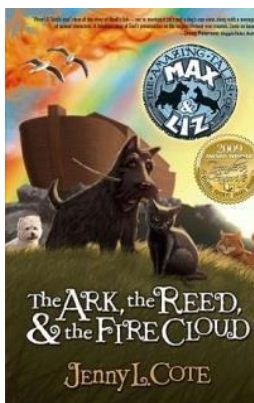
Creative Writing Workshops with Jenny L. Cote

Award-winning author Jenny L. Cote opens up the world of creative writing for students of all ages and reading levels through fun, highly interactive workshops. Students are certain to laugh, be surprised, and have fun learning (without realizing it!) Above all students will be inspired to write colorful, creative stories and will want to read. Jenny has appeared to thousands of students at lower, middle, high school and universities in the US and abroad. Jenny patterns her workshops after specific books she has written, showing students exactly how she crafts her books, from research to character development to imagery. It gives students real hands-on tools used by an author, with a behind the scenes look at how a book comes together, and what fun it can be. Surprising grand entrances, fun props, and humorous questions keep students engaged from the first minute, with smiles and hands raised to be chosen to do the next fun thing! For more information, testimonials, pictures and videos from workshops, please contact Jenny at jenny@epicorderoftheseven.com or visit www.epicorderoftheseven.net/schools-groups.

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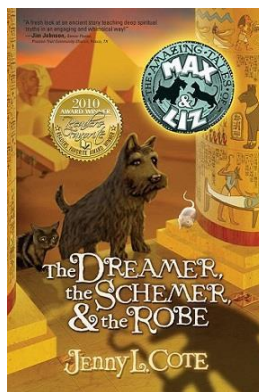
#1 CREATE

Jenny explains how creative writing is like painting a picture in your mind and writing what you see. Animating animal figurines, Jenny brings colorful characters to life, and describes the importance and, yes, FUN of doing research! Learn how to weave in surprises, action, tension, and end well.



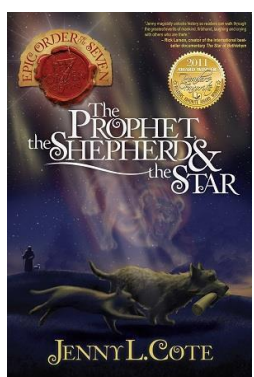
#2 DREAM

“Pharaoh Cote” makes a grand costumed entrance and engages the students on the subject of dreams. She’ll be joined by costumed Joseph volunteers who act out the different stages in the life of Joseph for a vibrant discussion on the evolving arc of a character, complete with dynamite dialogue, reality checks for writing historical fiction, and how to use artistic license.



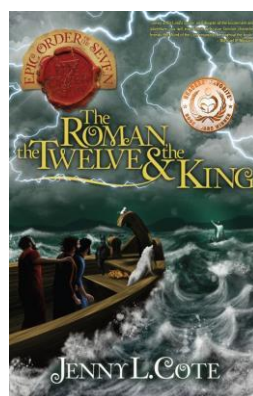
#3 WRITE

Although this workshop’s theme centers on Christmas, it is applicable for any writing season. Many “wow moments” come from understanding the meaning of words and the impact they have on stories. Learn how incredible secrets are revealed from solid research, setting the state for imaginative writing to soar. Unpack two sharp tools that Jenny uses for organizing the writing process.



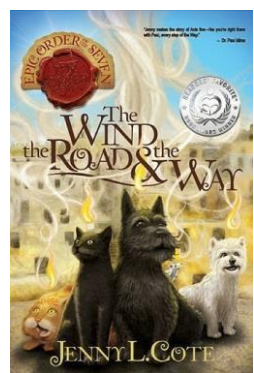
#4 CHAIRS

The focus of this workshop will help students with assignments on writing about characters at any point in history. Learn how to choose the perfect character to write about, how to trace their history through FUN research, discover the actionable events to relay in an exciting way, inspire your readers by retelling the character’s story, and organize your research before you write a word.

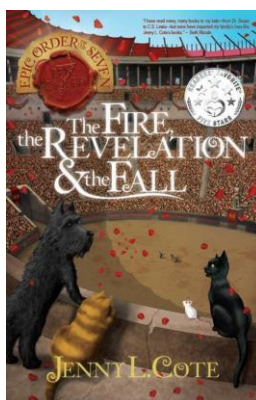


#5 ROAD

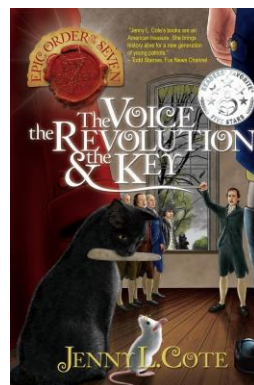
Learn how a book comes together, from writing to publishing. Route (mapping out a story, developing an outline from point A to Point B), Obstacles (writer’s block, research, distractions and dead ends), Attractions (fun things to see along the road for the writer as well as the reader) and Destination (editing, illustrations, typesetting, advance readers, publishing, and distribution for a new book).



#6 FIRE Using entertaining improv with volunteers in Roman costumes, Jenny will kindle your imagination and fan the flames of your pen by showing you how to use the tools of foreshadowing and plot development. She’ll share how she investigated the history of Rome and its gladiators while weaving in a fictional story for an intriguing, heart-pounding read.

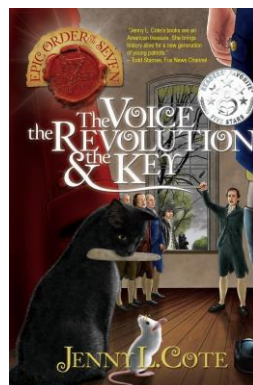


#7 PLOT “GIVE ME LIBERTY, OR GIVE ME ANOTHER PLOT LINE!” Go behind the scenes of Patrick Henry’s famous speech that rallied a nation to independence and discover how it all started in Rome. Jenny will share how she is weaving together one fun plot line for this famous speech across two novels, and a second plot line across seven novels.

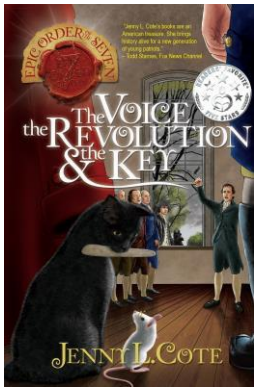


#8 FICTION

Playing on one of Patrick Henry’s impassioned quotes, “IF THIS BE FICTION, MAKE THE MOST OF IT!” will cover how to write historical fiction, including choosing a character, doing the crucial research (and having fun with it!), organizing the story, and then writing it to keep your reader eagerly turning the pages.



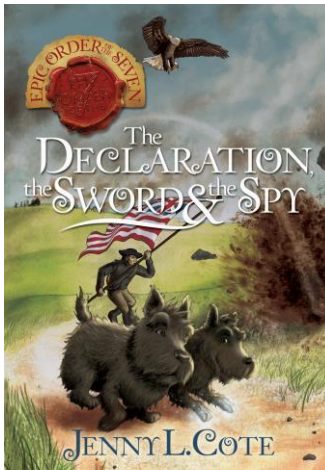
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#9 CLOAK

Using some “CLOAK & DAGGER” Jenny will show you how to weave an exciting story with mystery, intrigue, and bad guys to propel the triumph of the good guys, leaving your reader cheering, “HUZZAH!” and begging for more.

#10 HISTORY “HISTORY NEVER GETS OLD” Santayana famously said, “Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it.” Jenny L. Cote less-famously said, “The next generation needs to learn the good, the bad and the ugly of history in order to repeat the good, avoid the ugly and never repeat the bad.” For non-history geeks, history can get, well, old. But history is anything but old when you know how to dive in and pull out the nuggets that make it relate to YOUR story. Jenny shares her research behind her eighth novel, *The Declaration, the Sword, and the Spy*, and how she makes the American Revolution come alive for readers of all ages. She will highlight the historical locations featured in the book: Boston, Lexington & Concord, Paris, Bunker Hill, Philadelphia, Williamsburg, and Fort Ticonderoga. Learn how to preserve historical accuracy while storytelling through fantasy fiction in a digital age where history is being rewritten and pushed to the margins. Fall in love with history, so that history will never get old.



Hands-On Writing Workshop with Jenny L. Cote

#11 EPIC CHARACTERS

Writing memorable characters is the most important part of crafting a great story. In this hands-on writing workshop, Jenny L. Cote will guide students through the process of creating characters that will live, breathe and come to life on the written page. Students will be actively engaged in writing exercises, and can use this seminar for their own works in process or to simply learn new writing skills. Whether the desire is to create “good guys” or “bad guys,” students will come away with characters that are unforgettable. Perfect for a small group session of advanced writers (grades 4-12), and especially for writing clubs or students interested in becoming authors. Time: one hour. Students need to bring paper, pen and an enthusiastic mind.



Inspirational Talks with Jenny L. Cote



#12 THE EPIC JOURNEY

How exactly does one become an author anyway? Are you born with a pen in your hand, or does it take a little more than that? Jenny shares her amazing journey to become an author and the process required to make it work as a full-time profession in the crazy world of publishing. As God's "little dictation girl!" you'll get a glimpse into the joy of one who discovered exactly what she was wired to do, and lives out her passion by never working a day in her life. An inspirational talk to inspire the next generation of writers.

#13 STAR OF WONDER

Jenny will present the incredible events in the night sky and the effect on those in the Christmas story who were awestruck by the brightest star that anyone had ever seen. What was the star? Who saw it? What did they do when they saw it? Follow the journeys of the Wise Men, the Shepherds, and even those in Rome who thought that the star was a sign from the gods announcing the deity of Caesar Augustus. Little did the Romans know it indeed was a star announcing deity, but not for Caesar. Thrill in the exciting details of the Star of Wonder and learn how God even prepared a Christmas gift for future believers - that no one would open until the 20th century. The focus of this talk stems from her third novel, *The Prophet, the Shepherd, and the Star*. Perfect for churches, school groups or anyone who loves Christmas.



Audience, Length, & Fees

Audience

Jenny can speak to students K-12, modifying the workshops based on the audience. K-2 will benefit primarily from workshops #1 and #2, as the other workshops are more advanced in writing content. Grade groupings for lower, middle, or high school can be tailor made to meet the needs of your school or homeschool group. There is no minimum or maximum group size.

Length

All workshops are 60 minutes to allow plenty of time for Q&A and interaction/signing/pictures with Jenny and the students following the workshop.

Fees

\$250 per workshop plus travel expenses. Full Day Option: \$1,000. Jenny will spend the entire day at your school, providing a maximum of three workshops plus small group meetings with students at lunch, classroom or library settings, and a book signing. For conferences and conventions, Jenny needs preferably two exhibit booths to accommodate her multiple book titles and merchandise. When not speaking, Jenny will remain at the exhibit booth to sign books.



Please visit Jenny's website for pictures, videos, and testimonials:

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