

West Virginia Reading Association Conference at the Greenbrier Resort

Dr. Mike Lockett-November 19, 2021



Dr. Lockett has taken his storytelling and educational messages to over 4000 audiences in schools, libraries, education conferences, festivals and churches. Mike is a teller of traditional tales in a non-traditional manner. He often adds vocal effects and dialects to his audience participation stories. He has been a performing artist in 31 states and 17

countries including 22 tours of Taiwan and 14 in China. In 2016, he was a featured storyteller at the 18th Tehran International Festival in Iran. The laughter from audiences and repeat call-backs serve as evidence that Lockett's programs are popular. Mike always reminds everyone that his programs are always clean and high interest.



His first four books were based on Mother Goose. The titles are *Teddy Bear, The Cat and the Mouse, Mary Had a Little Lamb, and Hickory Dickory Dock* (2009). Lockett released *The Magic Eyes of Little Crab and Monkey and Rabbit Together* in 2012, *Sky Food and Why Spiders Have Big Bottoms* in 2012 and *Humpty Dumpty and the Great Fall* in 2013. His books are currently in English and Chinese. Four titles are also available in English/Spanish. *The Hungry Wolf, The Turtle Who Talked Too Much and The Goats in the Garden and The Giant Pumpkin* will be released in January 2019. He is the winner of over 25 awards for his books and storytelling products, including honors recognition from the 2014 World Storytelling Awards.