## Put More M.A.G.I.C. in your Life ~ Elementary School Assembly Presentation

To Those Responsible for the Enlightenment of School Children:

I would like to present your school with an opportunity for an exciting school assembly presentation where the students can meet the author, ask questions and learn about the values within the book, *Lucas Lightfoot and the Fire Crystal*. The presentation is based on core values and the title of the presentation is, Put More M.A.G.I.C. in your Life.



I started writing the books to help a grandson achieve a dream of writing a chapter book. My grandson is my co-author. As I continue to write, it is because I want to improve the lives of children. Through the story, my goal is to teach:

- The value of learning, improving and protecting the mind.
- Being responsible for one's attitude.
- The importance of setting and achieving worthwhile goals.
- Integrity and honesty are valuable traits to develop and maintain.
- The importance of choice and accountability.

I am sharing important values to a rising generation that is bombarded with anti-heroes that exemplify traits of selfishness, lying, power-seeking and bullying. These lessons are conveyed as the magical mentor helps a young boy become the hero he dreams to be. There is excitement, danger and challenges throughout the story.

The Lucas Lightfoot books are written with two purposes.

- To create an exciting and magical experience that allows the reader to join the heroes in every day reality but with magical possibilities added for fun and excitement.
- To give Prescott, the wise and magical chameleon, a voice to teach the young heroes about important values, skills and moral excellence so important to growing children. The characters in the books and the readers enjoy the magic and learn valuable lessons.

I have pulled these values and ideals from the books and created a 45 minute PowerPoint presentation I share with children in classes and school assemblies. I cover five critical topics for the children in a fun and interactive presentation where they will learn real skills they can apply right away. The five topics are:

## Mind, Attitude, Goals, Integrity & Choice

Four of these topics are addressed within the action in the books and the conversations of the characters as the author reads from the book. The fifth topic is a real life example of how a dream is changed into a goal and then into an accomplishment.

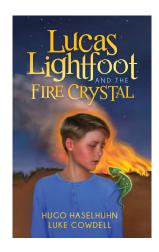
If you are interested in bringing the M.A.G.I.C. presentation to your school, I can forward the outline of the presentation so those responsible will have confidence that the presentation is suitable for the students. Book reviews can be found on the Lucas Lightfoot website or on Amazon. I have included some of the principal and teacher contact information if you need references. Please let me know how I can help the students at your school with a little M.A.G.I.C. At many of the presentations the children are interested in purchasing their own copy of the books and we can discuss how to arrange for that. The cost for the presentation \$100 plus travel expenses.

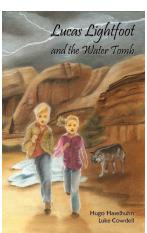
Most teachers understand that the purpose of teaching is not to put information into the heads of their students but to change lives and encourage thinking. And that is my goal with the books and the presentation, to offer children skills and allow them to choose to make positive improvements.

Always for the children,

## Hugo

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## References for the M.A.G.I.C. presentation by author Hugo Haselhuhn

The <u>Put More M.A.G.I.C.</u> in your <u>Life</u> presentation has been given at full school assemblies at a growing list of schools.

- Red Hill Elementary in Tustin, CA
- Orcutt Academy/Olga Reed Elementary in Los Alamos, CA
- Pat Butler Elementary School in Paso Robles, CA
- Foothills Elementary School in Salem, UT
- Vineyard Elementary School in Templeton, CA
- Buckeye Elementary School in Shingle Springs, CA
- Virginia Peterson Elementary School in Paso Robles, CA

The presentation has been given to as few as 30 children in a single class at Vineyard Elementary and to as many as 500 students in a school assembly at Foothills Elementary.

Over the last three years, I have presented M.A.G.I.C. to the classrooms of some very special teachers at Red Hill and Vineyard who recognized early the significance of the Lucas Lightfoot books. The teachers listed below love reading these books and for several teachers, they will be going on their fourth year of reading the Lucas Lightfoot books to their students. Their comments are listed below.

Joe Dana – Principal Orcutt Academy, Los Alamos, CA jdana@orcutt-schools.net

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"I was hooked from the start with the vivid descriptions and the intrigue of a talking chameleon guiding the young hero. As a parent and teacher, I was captured by the action and integrity. The book speaks to children. It is relatable. Kids love powers and super heroes. Better yet, parents and teachers are attracted to this young book hero who has powers that are activated and strengthened by virtues. The author has a knack for kid connection. This book is an adventurous treat for children and adults alike. Find a young friend and read it together."

Sandi Moore, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher, Templeton, CA

"My students used adjectives like "hypnotizing, mysterious, and superb" to describe the story. Young readers will be captivated by the plot of the story, but they won't fail to recognize that the goodness in Lucas's heart is the true source of his power. This book is perfectly suited for the minds and hearts of children."

Cindy Miller, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher, Templeton, CA

"Hugo, your visit was most inspirational. We truly appreciated your visit. The presentation was fabulous. I really enjoyed your read aloud portion. There is nothing like an author reading their own text. The sensory description in your writing is a true teaching tool for our budding writers. Meeting your wonderful family and co-author grandson was a joy. You must be most proud. Thank you once again."

Jenny Stephens, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher, Tustin, CA

"We had the pleasure of having Mr. Haselhuhn at a wonderful assembly. I had just finished reading Lucas Lightfoot and the Fire Crystal to my class as a read aloud. What a great book! There were so many talking points and opportunities to discuss students' ability to be powerful and successful in their own lives by making excellent choices and setting goals. My students were highly interested and engaged in the discussions. The daily reading also provided ample ideas for writing about and discussing social emotional learning. It was MAGIC! M: Mind; A: Attitude; G: Goals; I: Integrity & C: Choice. This book will be part of my routine for the beginning of the school year every year! Thank you Lucas and Mr. Haselhuhn!"

Cheryl Elisarraraz, 4th Grade Teacher, Paso Robles, CA