

Professor-Author-Speaker

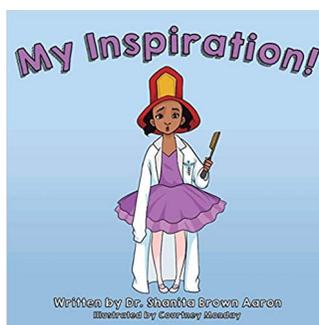
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About

Dr. Shanita is a professor of education devoted to putting books with diverse characters in classrooms and school libraries. Dr. Shanita holds a Bachelor of Arts in Journalism, Bachelor of Science in Education, Master of Education in Administration and Supervision and Doctorate of Philosophy in Educational Leadership. With over 20 years of experience in K-12 education as a teacher and principal she knows the need for building cultural competence in schools where all students and staff acknowledge and appreciate diversity to deepen the overall learning experience. Children need books that reflect their own realities to improve their self esteem and academic engagement, as well as learn to be inclusive of others. It is crucial that all children have books that reflect diverse communities with relatable characters from all cultures and races. Books where children can see themselves as well as expose them to values, viewpoints, and historical legacies of others are needed in today's classrooms.

Dr. Shanita Brown Aaron

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BOOK BIO

[Purchase My Inspiration!](#)

This African American children's book is designed to show children that they can be anything they put their minds to and that inspiration can be found in their own home or community.

Author Dr. Shanita brings to life the dreams of one child through a classroom assignment. The main character Morgan cannot decide who to report on for her Black History project. As the reader follows Morgan throughout her week, they learn many Black History facts. The knowledge will inspire your child. They will learn nothing is out of their reach and never to rule out any options.

BOOK REVIEWS

“This book is an excellent book for the positive socio-emotional health of children of color in today’s time of Black Lives Matter Movement. Children of color can be proud of their heritage while learning/exploring unknown people who made contributions to this world. Great read for the young and old!”

Kelley Barton, School Counselor, Reading School District, Reading, PA

“It amazes me how times have changed since I was a child in school and how the components of 21st Century learning for children focuses on the scope of encouraging learning, motivating critical thinking skills for the students and building a connection with learning through real life experiences. This book definitely incorporates all these components and more. Dr. Aaron has written a story that represents and provides an example for all diverse students to learn and use during their in and out of school experiences. The book is engaging, intriguing, inspiring and motivating. I would recommend this book to be shared with parents, students and school districts abroad. I would definitely purchase this book to be added to my collection of children's books in my school library as an elementary school principal. It creates an avenue for students to think. Thinking is the beginning to the end!”

Kathy S. Pace, Principal - Hancock Elementary School, Sandusky, OH

“My Inspiration! is a delightful read-aloud book to introduce Black History Month to your class or children. It’s a great book to use when building lessons and units around Black historical figures, biographies, and civic leadership. Dr. Aaron introduces numerous historical and contemporary Black history makers through her storytelling in a way that is easy for my upper elementary students to understand. There are several points throughout the book to pause for higher-order thinking discussions- especially around local Black history makers.”

Kacie Ryan, 3rd Grade Teacher, Gig Harbor Academy in Gig Harbor, WA

"If ever there was a time in history that we needed a bright spot to remind us of our creative essence, true brilliance, and fortitude to rise to heights of excellence (& beyond, *My Inspiration!* is that right now book for children, educators, and history makers! As a parent, I look for literary works that are not only culturally representative, but equally engaging and filled with lasting gems of character, imagination, and impact. Dr. Shanita takes readers on that journey with *My Inspiration!* - a timeless blessing for all readers. “

Kimberly Hardy, 1st Grade Parent, Philadelphia, PA

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SPEAKING & WORKSHOPS:

Develop skills to partner with parents and advocate for all students

Why schools and classrooms need diverse books and teachers?

Grow Your Own programs to recruit and retain teachers

INTERVIEW QUESTIONS:

1. Why did you write this book?
2. How is this book different from other children's books on the market?
3. How did you come up with the title?
4. Who is the target audience for your book?
5. What did you learn about yourself while writing this book?
6. What do you do when not writing books?
7. What challenges did you face writing this book?
8. What is your next project?
9. What do you want readers to take away from this book?
10. What is your contact information?