Connecting through stories and beyond

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1) Bio

Sangeetha is a storyteller and facilitator based in Ernakulam, Kochi. Through her social venture, The R.E.A.D Club, she uses the power of stories to help children imagine, think, ask questions, connect, and discover their world.

She founded The R.E.A.D Club in 2016 (R.E.A.D stands for Read, Explore, Ask, Discover) with a belief that stories are not just entertainment, but a powerful tool for learning, reflection, and growth. Over the years, she has worked with children across age groups through interactive, story-based experiences in community settings, workshops, and events.

Sangeetha is an Accredited Storyteller from Kathalaya's International Academy of Storytelling®, Bangalore, India, and a member of FEAST (Federation of Asian Storytellers).

2) Services Offered

- **Story Sparks:** A live, immersive storytelling experience for younger children, using expressive narration to build their capacity to listen, visualise, and imagine.
- **Storymakers Circle:** Moves children from listeners to creators; working in small groups, children are given the ingredients of a story: a character, a place, a problem, and a change in plot, and invited to build their own narrative together.
- **StoryExplorers: Thinking Through Stories:** Invites children to think, feel, question, and wonder, through carefully chosen stories, associating them to their lives and beyond.
- **The Right Thing To Do:** Explores values through short, relatable stories drawn from everyday life; rather than instructing children on what is right, each story opens up a conversation: "What would you do?"
- **Speak Up!:** Story games and play that help children find their voice.
- **Let's READ:** A Reading Circle for young readers (ages 5-7) to fall in love with books, stories and reading, mostly through picture books.
- **Art of Storytelling:** Sessions for teachers, equipping them with storytelling tools to engage children more meaningfully.
- **Story Performances at Events:** Storytelling performances at book fairs and festivals.

- **Tales Across Town:** A school and community outreach project bringing storytelling sessions to schools & public community spaces, spreading the joy of listening to stories, with the goal of reaching a growing number of schools and communities each year.

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