

A Study in eBooks

Publishing Kids' Stories

Verano the Fish is a story about a precocious young fish, his family, and a hapless fisherman. What we talked about in class today was the process of creating the story, artwork, eBook, and ultimately publishing it at various eBookstores.

The book grew out of a made-up family story. Our kids drew the artwork on an iPad using an application called Paper. The images and text of the story were put together in an application called iBooks Author on a Mac, and then published to the iBookstore in May 2013. It is available for download for free as an iBook.

Questions for Discussion:

- Do you have a story to tell? How would you tell it?
- Do you think eBooks are a good medium for telling stories? What sort of things are you able to do with an electronic book that you can't do with a print book? What sort of things can you do with a print book that you can't with an eBook?
- How could you contribute to a book that requires a story, pictures, and possibly sound?

More Information

More information about *Verano the Fish*, including some materials from today's presentation and download information, is available at <u>http://www.wombatsdigit.com/verano/</u>

Paper by 53: <u>http://www.fiftythree.com/paper</u>

Pixelmator: http://www.pixelmator.com

iBooks Author: <u>http://www.apple.com/ibooks-author/</u>

Verano the Fish: A Fish Story