Ways to Contribute as a Volunteer in a Literacy Classroom

1. Co-Lead a lesson on a topic you love or in which you have expertise.
2. Bring and read aloud a favorite children’s book or poem of yours.
3. Join in on choral reading during class
4. Help students pick out independent reading books at their level
5. Listen and encourage students to read to you during reading time
6. Share your love and enthusiasm for reading by reading to small groups during down time and/or homework time.
7. Learn words/phrases in the languages spoken by the students you work with and attempt to use them in class.
8. Lead a Literacy Center and support the program leader by:
   a. Encouraging students to stay on task
   b. Read the center directions and/or clarify instructions
   c. Assist students with challenging materials (timer, white board marker, etc)
   d. Set rules/guidelines for the center (ie: taking turns)
   e. Ask students questions
   f. Give students goals during literacy work time/homework time