The Very True Legend of the Mongolian Death Worms Written and Illustrated By: Sandra Fay

Synopsis: A funny picture book celebrating the universal truth about wanting to be loved just as you are, fangs and all, inspired by the real-life legend of Mongolian Death Worms.

Suggested Reading Date: October 11th - Myths & Legends Day; March 20th - World Storytelling Day

Activity Descriptions:

- Discuss legends and folklore. (What is true? What is fiction?)
- Brainstorm possible myths/legends to create (ex: How dragons came to breathe fire?)
- Create/write a myth or a legend.
- Compare and contrast Mongolian Death Worms with Bigfoot or another mythical creature.
- Research the Gobi desert's habitat and animal life.

Related Websites:

- Author's Instagram page: https://www.instagram.com/sandra-fay-/?hl=en
- Author's webpage: https://sandrafay.com/
- Video of author reading her book: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z0DIeNKpuU0

Text to Text Connections:

- The Worm Family Has Its Picture Taken by Jennifer Frank and David Ezra Stein
- *Monsters 101* by Cale Atkinson
- *Unicorns 101* by Cale Atkinson
- Legendary Creatures: Mythical Beasts and Spirits From Around the World by Adam Auerbach
- The Book of Mythical Beasts and Magical Creatures by Dk and Stephen Krensky

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