



Bucket Fillers



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Celebrating a Delightful Decade of Filling Buckets

Dear Fellow Bucket Filler,

We wanted to share with you a few milestones as we celebrate our 10th anniversary:

1. Ten years ago, there was not a single **CHILDREN'S BOOK** on bucket filling. Today, there are more than a dozen bucketfilling books for kids, written for different ages and stages in life, in multiple languages, including a K-5 curriculum guide, *The Bucket Squad* by Lisa Hansen, and, for practice, *My Bucketfilling Journal*.
2. Ten years ago, there was no **MUSIC** that used the bucketfilling language. Today, bucketfilling songs are being sung in schools everywhere and an entire CD of ten bucketfilling songs for children has been produced by Red Grammer, a dear friend and a very talented musician.
3. Ten years ago, there were no theatrical **PLAYS** being performed about bucket filling. Today, thanks to Ann Marie Gardinier Halstead, students and touring groups are performing in *Have You Filled a Bucket Today? The Play*, which she wrote and produced.
4. Ten years ago, there were no happy **BUCKETS** to be seen in schools. Today, there are millions of happy buckets on display in schools around the world. This cheerful icon continues to help teachers explain such abstract terms as character, kindness and respect.

5. Ten years ago, there were no schools with bucket filling as a main component of their **CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT** program. Today, thousands of schools around the world are creating safer, kinder, more respectful environments through bucket filling.

6. Ten years ago, teachers did not have a **TOOL** to help children realize that words and actions either fill buckets with happiness or dip into buckets and take happiness away. Today, children are pledging to be bucket fillers, at home, at school and everywhere they go.

7. Ten years ago, there were no school **ASSEMBLIES** devoted to bucket filling. Today, schools everywhere create thousands of new bucket fillers in bucketfilling assemblies and continuing programs.

8. Ten years ago, there were no **KEYNOTES or WORKSHOPS** on bucket filling at educational and counseling conferences. Today, bucket filling is taught to standing room crowds at conferences around the U.S. and Canada.

9. Ten years ago, there was no **SOCIAL MEDIA** on bucket filling. In 2006, Bucket Fillers, Inc. set up the first website on "bucket filling" and began to write e-newsletters. To date, we've had over 100 million visitors to our site and bucketfilling chat is all over the internet and social media as people search to learn more about bucket filling

10. Ten years ago, Bucket Fillers, Inc. did not exist. Today, our small company has filled buckets around the world with **DONATIONS** of more than \$500,000 in cash, products and services to non-profits around the world.

In June, we're officially celebrating our 10th birthday and we're inviting you to join in!

We will kick off our "My Bucketfilling Day" initiative June 1, 2016. Not only will we be celebrating the happiness that is gained by filling buckets, but we'll also be giving you opportunities to win some great prizes! Watch for the bucketfilling details in our May 22nd newsletter.

Happy Bucket Filling!
Carol McCloud and the Bucket Fillers Team



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