like this, it is that I am barely scratching the surface of what science fiction reading and writing can do to help students become scientifically literate—to develop the flexibility of thought and reasoned imagination they will need to succeed in our society. Beyond reading, having students consider a potential impact through writing science fiction lets them work through different points of view in a meaningful way—they start telling stories...about science.

A love of reading produces a person who is literate. A love of reading science fiction produces a literate person open to new ideas, critically aware of the consequences of change, and ready for the future.

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