

Spunky Girls and Strong Women: A Refugee Summer Book Club

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Who are We?
We Serve:

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The Summer Challenge

- **Risk of summer regression.**
(Werner-Smith & Smolkin, 1995);
Entwisle, Alexander & Steffel, 1997).
- **Little opportunity to use English**
- **Lack of reading culture in some homes**
- **Summer reading can make a huge difference** (Kim 2004)

Our Goals

- **Enjoyment**
- **Library Familiarity**
- **Reading Opportunities**
- **Oral Language Experience**
- **Better Readers and Speakers**

Our Summer Book Club Collaborators

- **Global Village Project**
- **Public Library**
- **Volunteers**
- **Community members**
- **GVP Alumna**

**Our Theme:
Spunky Girls
and
Strong Women**

Surprises!

- Strong Women” designed around teenage girls in our program
- Our girls brought little sisters and brothers and big sisters and brothers – even a few parents!
- We had to re-think our theme and book selections – fast!!

Strong Boys and Men, Too!

Book Club Structure

3:45	Snack, sign-in and setup
4:00	Guest Read-Aloud
4:20	Book Talk and Project
5:00	Read-together in small groups
5:45	Return and check out books
6:00	Adjourn

Book Club Planning









- *Prepare resource/training materials for volunteers*
- *Provide volunteer orientation & training*
- *Communicate with volunteers weekly*
- *Determine/estimate student levels*
- *Order or purchase appropriate books for 8 levels*
- *Assign groups to available volunteers weekly and suggest read-together books*
- *Manage books, student and volunteer attendance*
- *Collect data (surveys, pre/post reading scores)*
- *Prepare and manage student folders*
- *Prepare and manage projects and activities*
- *Schedule read-aloud guests*

Weekly Planning

2015 GVP Book Club – Week 8 Read-Together Small Groups – Volunteer Notes

Red Dots Group *Mariam*
Continuing to read:
House on Mango Street;
The Good Braider
The Great Cake Mystery*
How Tia Lola came to Visit Stav
I Am Malala (Young Readers Edition)
 ✓XB (Z+)
 ✓XD ~~~~~
 ✓P (Z+)
 ✓PK ~~~~~ (Z+)
 ★✓XH

Red Squares Group Suzie
(Continuing *The Good Braider?*)
The Princess & Her Panther
One Grain of Rice
The Story Blanket

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Red Stripes Group (*Ricky*)
Continuing Nelson Mandela
The Story of Karate
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 *♦♦✓~~~~~
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 XC

Purple Group Mary Moran-Alex
"Inside Out and Back Again" next? (All girls have their own copies.)
The Mystery of the Missing Lions
The Mystery of Meerkat Hill
 ◆★◆✓XK~~~~~
 ♥◆◆✓XM~~~~~
 XK~~~~~
 ◆★◆★XP

Orange Group (QRS) Helen
Continuing to read:
Little House on the Prairie
The No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency
One Grain of Rice
 ☆♦♦♦✓XS ~~~~~~
 ☆♦♦♦✓XE ~~~~~~

Blue Group - Michelle & Ricky
Little House in the Big Woods
Mufasa's Beautiful Daughters
Wanaari Maanhai
The New Girl & Me
Amelia Bedelia 4 Mayor
 ♥♥♥♥♥XK.....
 ♥♥♥♥♥XS.....
 ✓XS.....
 ♥♥♥♥♥XF.....
 ♥XG.....
 ♥XN.....
 ♥♥♥♥♥H.....
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Pink/Turquoise Group:
Jannean, Judy
Each Peach Pear Plum
Papa, Please Get the Moon for Me
Katie Did It
The Girl Who Wore Too Much
M... ♡♡
M ★★♡
M ★♡
C ✓♡♡♡
S..... ♡♡
N..... ♡♡

Black Group Bethanne, Lorrie
Divide into 2 by age?

Lunch Lady & the Cyborg Substitute
The Whispering Lake Ghosts
The Great Space Case
Karate Boy

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Yellow Group: Erin Mills
<u>The Twelve Dancing Princesses</u>
<u>Something Beautiful</u>
<u>The Librarian of Basel</u>
<u>Amelia Bedelia 4 Mayor</u>
D ♥♦★⇒♣
T. ✓
D ♥♦♦♦X
K ⇒X
S ♥♦♦♦⇒X
A ★X
F ⇒X
H ⇒⇒

Not yet attending:	
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Green Group (HII)
Janet, Marcia Estlin-Elaine
Page, Please Get the Moon for Me
The Art of Miss Chew (read-aloud)
The Train to Lulu's
Memo
America Redefines 4 Mayor
♥♦♦♥/XA (I)
S [G] ✓
M [G] ♥♦♦♥/X
U [I] ✓
A ♦♦
J ♦♦♦♦/X
N ♥♦♦♦♦
M ♥♦♦♦/X

Underlined - Books that should be available for this week.

Levels:
Red: x+/6+
Purple: TUVW/5
Orange: QRS/4
Blue: NOP/3
Yellow: KLM/2
Green HIJ /1-2
Pink EG_1
Black - 2 levels for younger boys

✓ Attended Week 1
 ✗ week 2
 ➡ week 3
 ★ week 4
 ◆ week 5
 ✱ week 6
 ♥ week 7
 Available: Alex, Bethanna, Erin, Helen,
 Elaine, Janet, Janaean, Michelle, Lorrie
 Marcia P., Ricky, Suzie, Marsha?
 Floaters: Mary Lou, Karen

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Weekly Planning

Books that have been requested from library and should be on our cart. Some may have been checked out.

never been checked out.
 Anneli *Bætzlén* 4 Mayor by Herman Marder McCall Smith (5)
 Bernt's Goat by Falga Meladick (1)
 Assassination by Bernt and James (5)
 Chicken Sunday by Patricia Edzards (1)
 Diary of a Part-Time Indian (1)
 Each Part of Time (5)
 How We Lela Come to Meet Story by Julia Alvarez (1)
 Inside Out and Back Again by Thanhha Lai (4)
 Johnny Appleseed, by David Harrison (4 copies)
 Judy Moody by Judy Moody McDaniel (2)
 Judy Moody Saves the World by Megan McDonald (1)
 Karyl Book by Anne Morris
 Little Bird by Judy Moody McDaniel (2)
 Launch Lady and the Cyber Symbiote by Janet Koskowitz (1)
 Lunch by Sine van Mac (2)
 One Chicken and the Longway Crossed by Larwell-Lewis (4)
Madama's Beautiful Daughters by John Steptoe (4)
 My Name & Not Isabella by Jennifer Esposito (1)
 Nelson Mandela by Eric Fiebert (1)
 One Grain of Rice by Demi (1)
 One Green Apple by Evi Bunting (1)
 One Piece of Pie by Eric Fiebert (4 copies)
Rebecca's Choice, (3)
Robert's Night and the Ultimate Drive by Patricia Edzards (1)
 The Laughing Boy by Patricia Edzards (1)
 The Art of Miss Chess by Patricia Edzards (1)
 The Girl who Married a Lion by Alexander McCall Smith (2)
 The Girl Who Wrote Too by Margaret Read McDonald (2)
 The Great Quest by Alexander McCall Smith (2)
 The Great Escape Book by Lydia Bearegard (1)
 The House on Bird-Third-Street by S. J. Kincaid (1)
 The House on the Corner by Sandra Cisneros (5)
 The Librarian of Basel by Jeanette Winter (2)
 The Mystery of the Missing Lion by Alexander McCall Smith (4)
 The Prince of the Desert by Julia Alvarez (1)
 The Princess & Her Panther by Wendy Orr (1)
 The Shark King by R. Kuhn-Johnson (3 copies)
 The Story of the Little Prince by Sandra Cisneros (5)
 The Story of Kory by Luana Meli & Jacqui Townsend (2)
 The Train to Lulu's by Elizabeth Fitzgerald Howard (2)
 The Twivel Dragon by Patricia Edzards (1)
 The Whispering Lake Ghosts by Lydia Bearegard (1)
Wagonwheels by Francis Zaczek (1)
Yuletide (2)
Yuletide: Twelve Days of Peace by Jeanette Winter (1)

Procedures for Week 8 in Small Groups—*slightly different this week!*

- Students complete all activities for *Little Shop of Stories* summer book club. Mary Lou and Karen are available to help with make-up activities. All girls who are going to GVP in August should give their postcards and completed activities to Karen. GVP alumni and other students keep their materials to take to LSOS.
- Students complete tally sheets for DeKall Library summer reading program – and turn forms in at the desk.
- Send students to Mary Lou or Karen if they have photo ID and need to Get Library Card, or do this at the end of Read-together time.
- Students find out **Books I Read/Listen To**
 - Read aloud week 1 was: *The Other Side* by Jacqueline Woodson, historical fiction, 30 pages.
 - Read aloud for week 2 was: *Nadia's House* by Ann Hui, fiction
 - Read aloud for week 3 was: *Wangza's Trees of Peace* by Jeannette Wong, nonfiction
 - Read aloud for week 4 was: *14 Cows for America* by Carmen Aguiar Deady, nonfiction
 - Read aloud for week 5 was: *The House on Dirty-Third* by Jo S. Wanger, fiction
 - Read aloud for week 6 was: *Chicken Sunday* by Patricia Balzano, fiction
 - Read aloud for week 7: *Little Firrly* adapted by Terri Cabellane, Native American legend
 - Read aloud for week 8: *Being a Good Citizen* by Adria Vignano, nonfiction, read by Mayor Ted Terry (Clarkston)
- Students fill out **Want to Read Sheet**.
 - Book talk week 1 was: *House On Mango Street* by Sandra Cisneros, Realistic Fiction (If they want to put this on the Want to Read list).
 - Book talk week 2 was: *I see the Sun in Myanmar* by Dadi Jinnia, Realistic fiction.
 - Book talk week 4 was: *The Bachelor Children* by Gertrude Chandler Warner, Fiction
 - Book talk week 5: *Little House in the Big Woods* by Laura Ingalls Wilder.
 - Book talk week 6: *Rotten Ritchie and the Ultimate Dare* by Patricia Balzano.
 - Book talk week 7: *The Twelve Dancing Princesses*, 2 versions, one by Ruth Sanderson and one by Marianna Mayer
 - Girls might suggest other books to one another for their "Want to Read" lists, or you can suggest those on the list or other favorites of yours.

Guess
what the
numbers
represent

Book Club Stats

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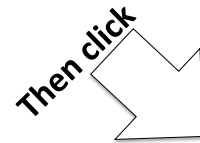
2,026

28

22,400

14

375



Book Club Stats

- 55 total students
- 21 total volunteers
- 28 average weekly students
- 14 average weekly volunteers
- 262 books read
- 2,026 pages read
- 22,400 minutes of reading
- 375 hours of reading

Fountas & Pinnell Instructional Reading Level Changes

for students

- returning to GVP
- who attended the Summer Book Club - -
- Changes from spring 15 to fall 15 and
- Changes from spring 15 to winter 16.

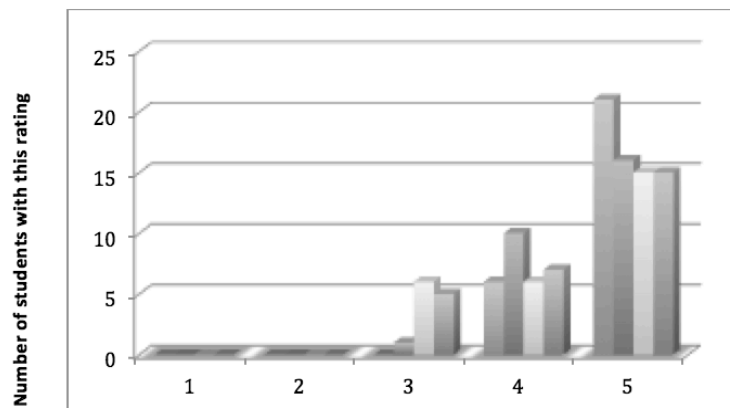
Comparing

- low- attendees (1-2 sessions) to
- hi attendees (3-8 sessions)

Mean F&P Levels raised	Spring 15 To Fall 15 Low Attendance	Spring 15 To Fall 15 High Attendance	Spring 15 to Winter 16 Low Attendance	Spring 15 To Winter 16 High Attendance
4 levels				
3 levels				
2 levels				
1 level				
	Mean= .5 level	Mean= .9 level	Mean= 3 levels	Mean= 3.7 levels

Student Feedback

	1. How much did you enjoy Book Club?
	2. How did you like the books you read?
	3. How did you like the activities?
	4. Would you like to come to Book Club again next year?



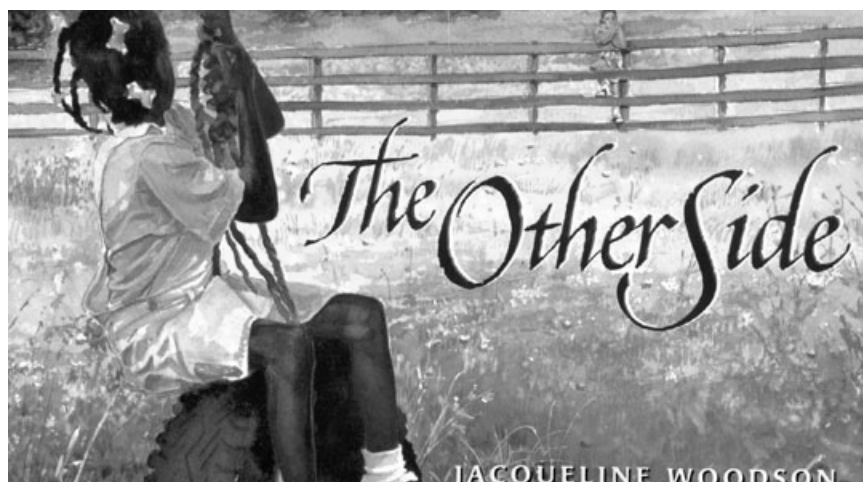
Volunteer Feedback

1. How would you rate your overall volunteer experience at Book Club Mean score: 4.08 (Out of 5)	
2: What is your perception of the overall experience for students at the Book Club? Mean Score 4.15/5	
3: How was the organization and planning of the Book Club? Mean Score: 4.33/5	
4: How well did the schedule for the sessions work? Mean Score: 3.77	
5: How was the communication with volunteers? Mean Score: 4.0	
6: What did you think of the theme for this year (Spunky Girls and Strong Women)? Mean Score: 4.17	
7: What did you think of the book selection? Mean Score: 4.23	
8: How was the support from the Clarkston Library staff? Mean Score 4.5	
Scale: 1=Poor 2=Fair 3=OK 4=Very Good 5=Excellent	0 1 2 3 4 5

Read-Alouds

Week 1

Read by Ms. Mary Lou



Sample Playlist for *The Other Side*

Lean on Me, by Bill Withers,
performed by Playing for Change

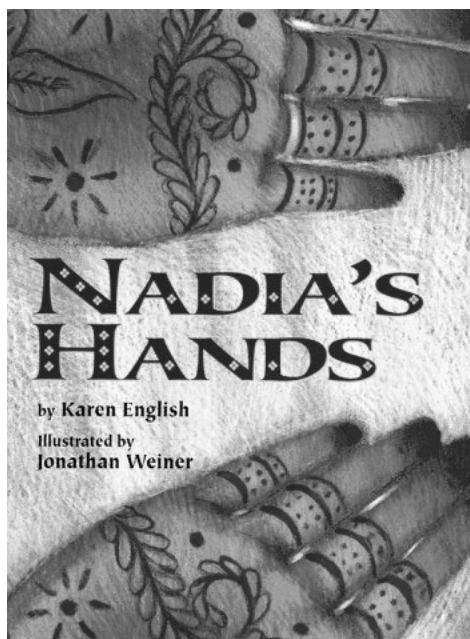
Knock it Down by Angela Sheik

*If You Miss Me from the Back of
the Bus* by Kim & Reggie Harris

Count on Me by Bruno Mars

Week 2
Read aloud

Nadia's Hands,
by Karen English
Read by Ms.
Karen Leary

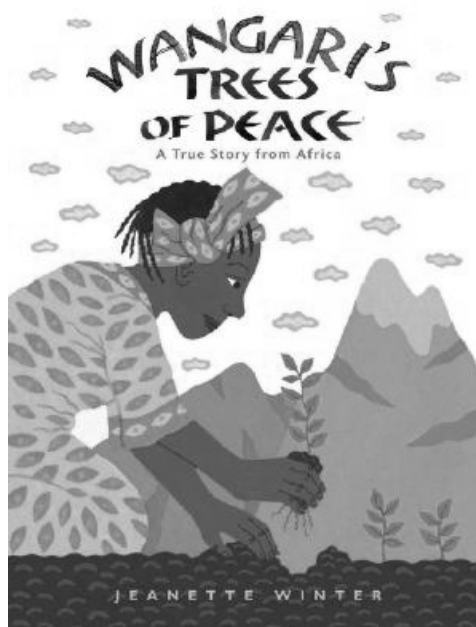


Week 3
Read aloud

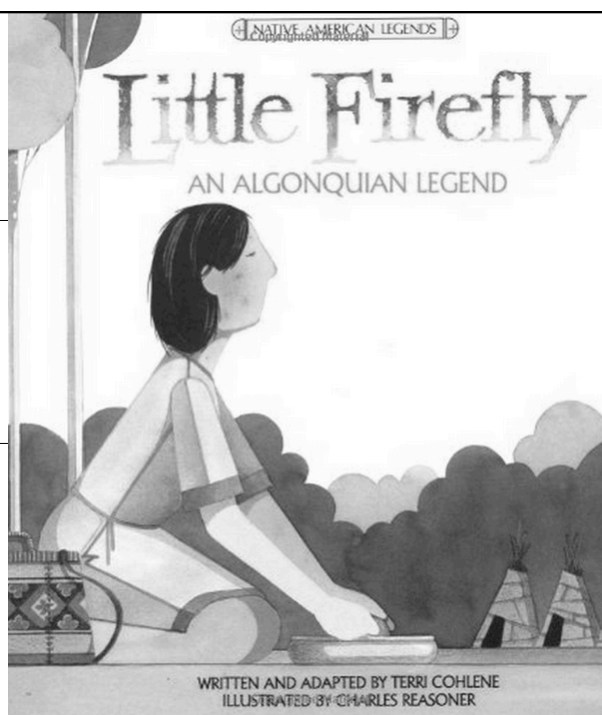
Wangari's Trees of Peace

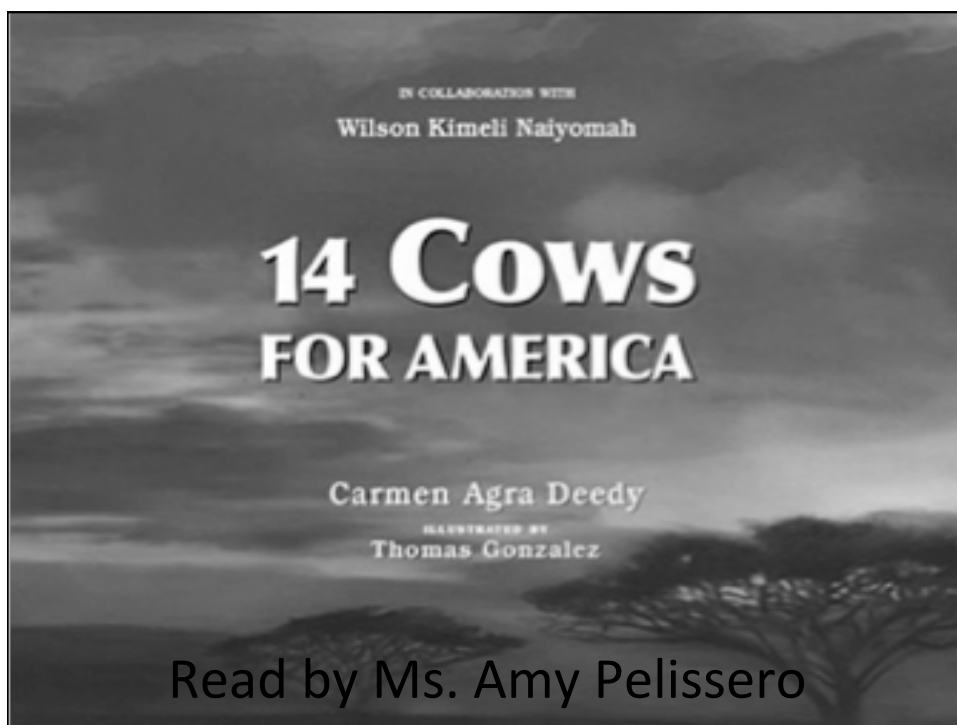
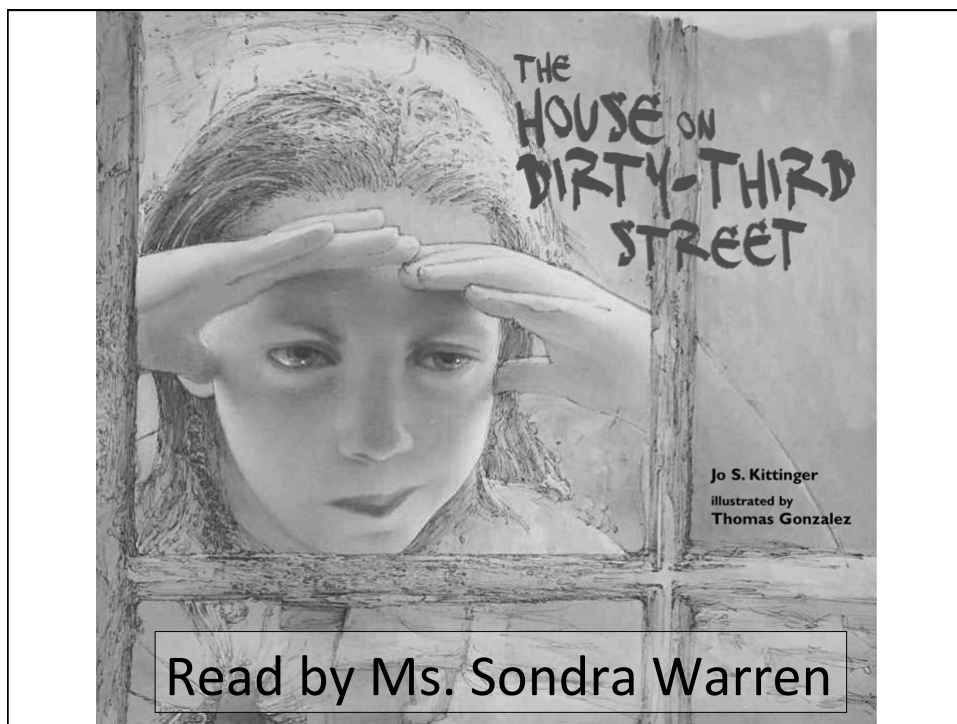
by Jeanette Winter

Read by
Ms. Erin Mills

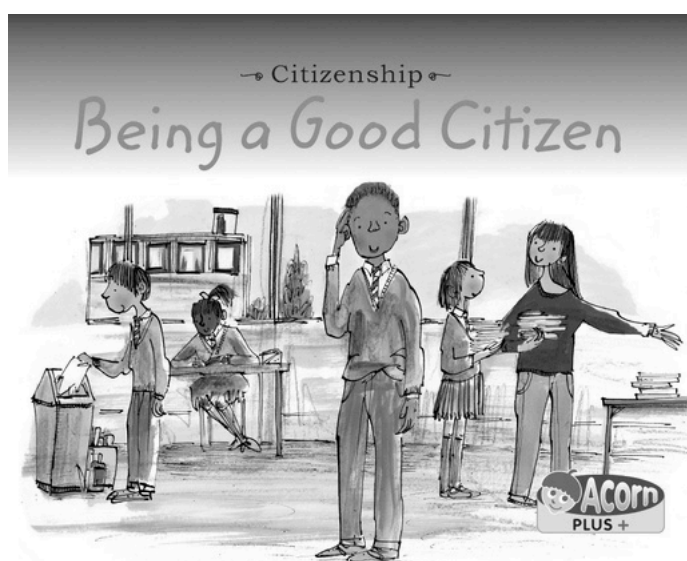
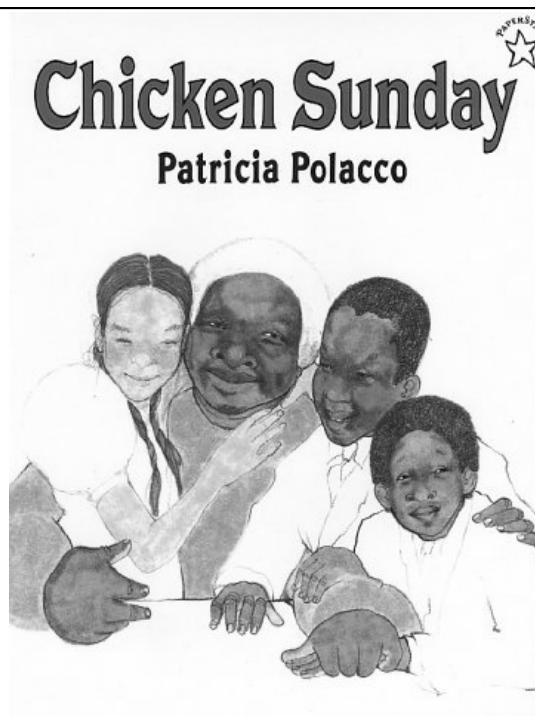


Read by Ms.
Hallie Bedol





Read by Ms.
Anne
Garbarino



Read by Clarkston
Mayor Ted Terry

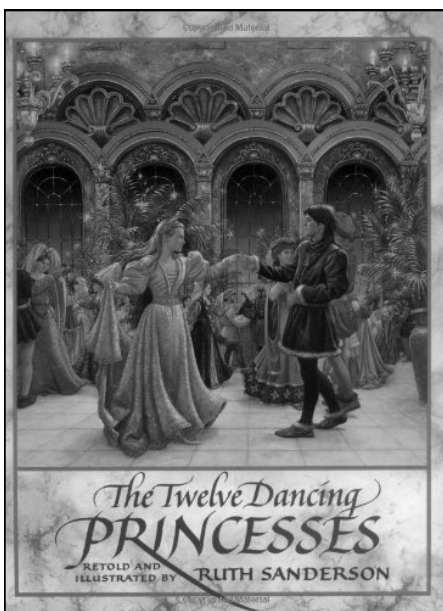
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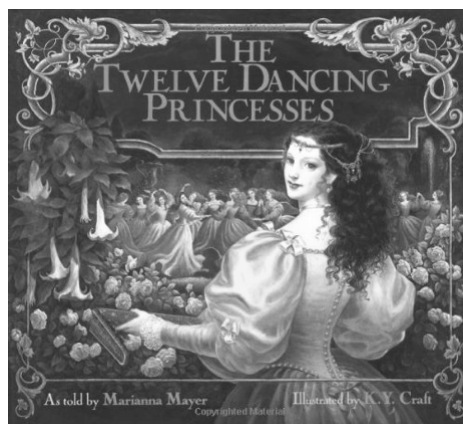
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Book Talk:
*Rotten Richie
and the
Ultimate
Dare*

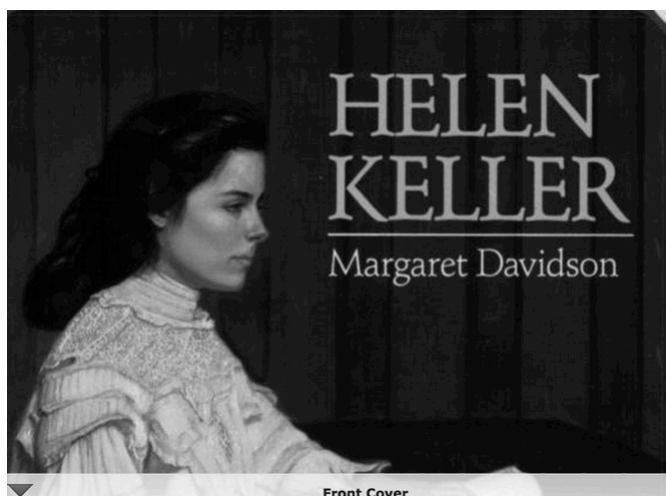


Week 7
2 Book Talks
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The Twelve Dancing Princesses
By Ruth Sanderson (Ehsoe)
By Marianna Meyer (Siang)

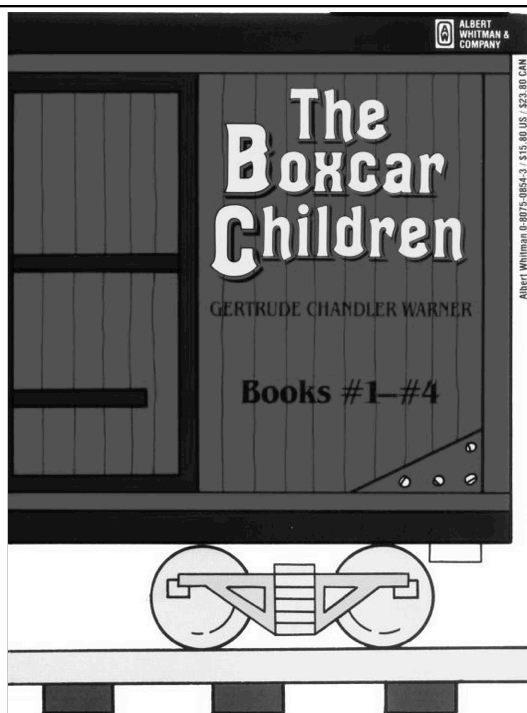


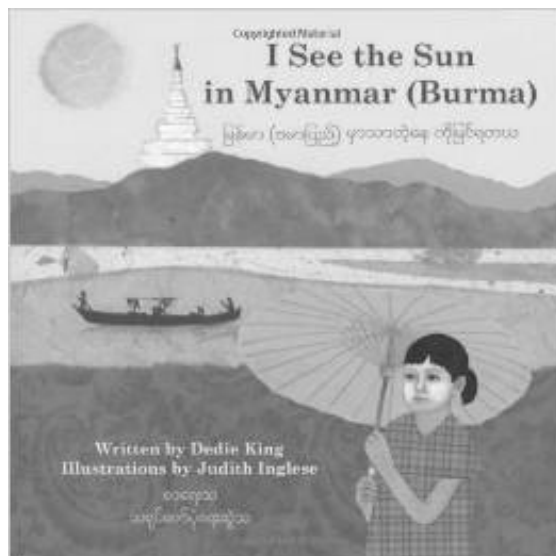


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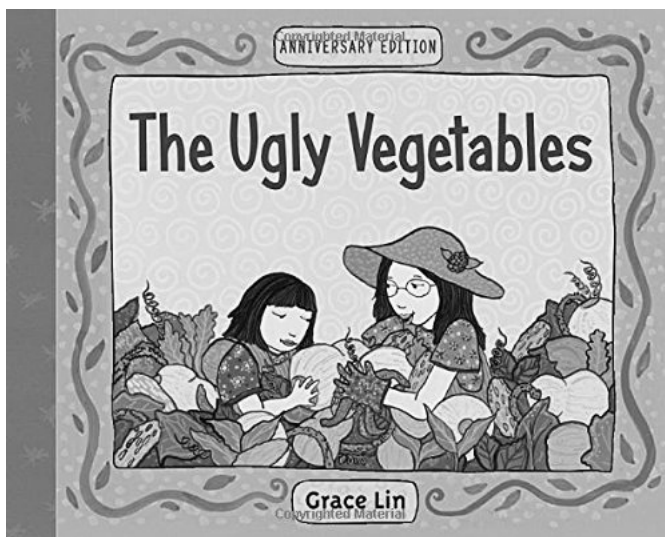
Helen Keller Reviewed by

Week 3 Book Talk: *The Boxcar Children* Talk by





Book Talk: *I See the Sun in Myanmar*
Reviewed by



Week 8 Book Talk

Projects

- Slide show on how to handle a book with photo tableaux.
- Quilt of book recommendations
- Focused discussions
- Drawing a tree and its gifts (*Wangari's Trees of Peace*)
- Writing a letter to a character
- Making a song playlist for a book
- Casting the movie of a book
- Citizenship – Q & A with Mayor Ted Terry of Clarkston



Challenges

- **Scheduling**
- **Different students every week**
- **Keeping track of what was read and figuring out what books to request**
- **Library cards**
- **Evaluating**

What we learned for next time

- We should have another Book Club next year
- We should schedule better
- We should simplify our initial survey for ease of administration.
- Two groups for the Read Aloud/Book Talk/Activity with elementary students meeting in the children's area of the library.
- Only one outside summer reading program – probably the DeKalb Library's or our own.

**Presentation
Resources at
www.mlmcc.com**

- Book lists
- Book Club Data
- Text of presentation

