

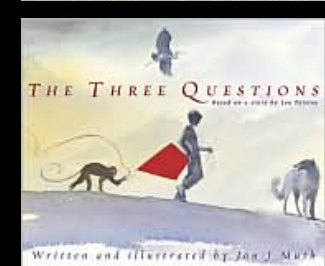
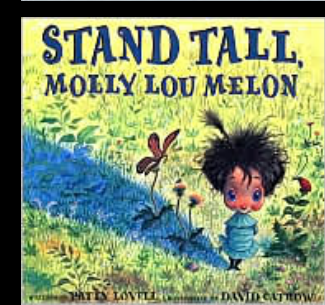
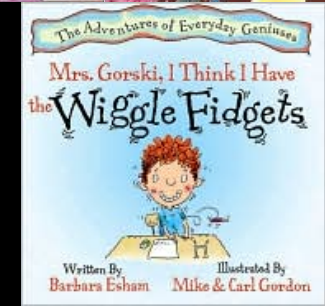
Great Books for Gifted Kids

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Welcome to TAMS

Criteria for a Great Book

- **Kingore**
 - written by authors of merit
 - contains well-developed characters who display gifted behaviors
 - include thought-provoking problem situations, issues, or personal needs with which gifted students can identify



Criteria for a Great Book

- **Fisher**
 - **Content appropriate for your grade level**
 - **Appropriate reading level (vocabulary and sentence structure challenging)**
 - **At least one main character who is relatively obviously gifted AND their giftedness is a relevant factor in the storyline**



Criteria for a Great Book

- **Halsted**
 - High level of language/vocabulary.
 - Pronunciation guides.
 - Full array of literary devices.
 - Descriptive words that stimulate strong visual images.
 - Delightful use of language and nuances.
 - Language patters and vocabularies of other times and places.
 - Complex structure puts the mind to work.
 - Evokes experiences of other lifestyles.
 - Unresolved problems lead the reader to make conclusions.



Criteria for a Great Book

- **Lynette**
 - contains characters who display gifted traits, aptitude, and behaviors
 - gifted students will relate to the characters, problems, or issues in way that could benefit the students (e.g., identification, catharsis, insight)



Bibliotherapy

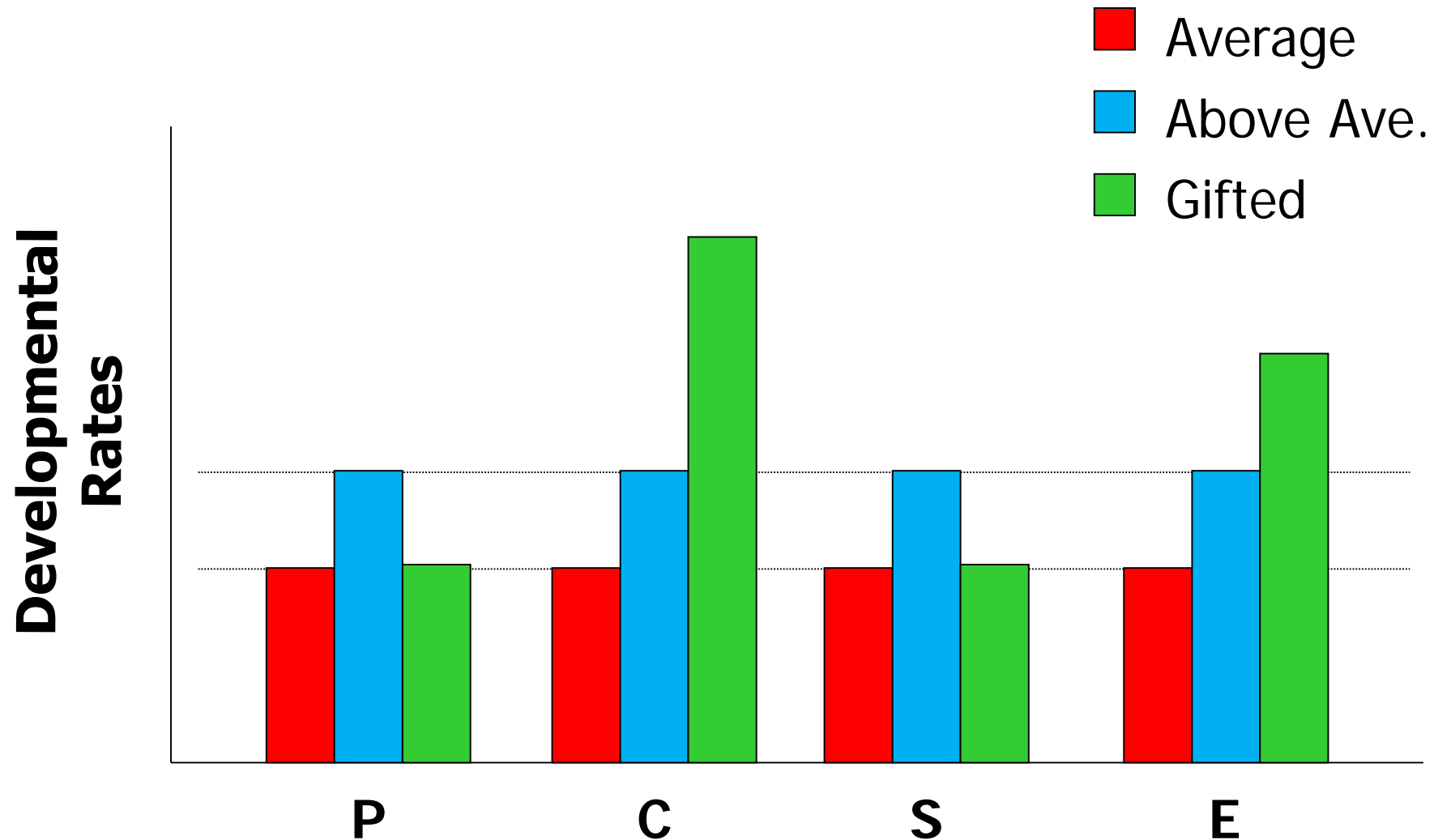
- Identification
 - “Hey, I’m like that!”
- Catharsis
 - “Gosh, I feel his pain.”
- Insight
 - “I understand, now.”
- Application
 - “I know what to do!”

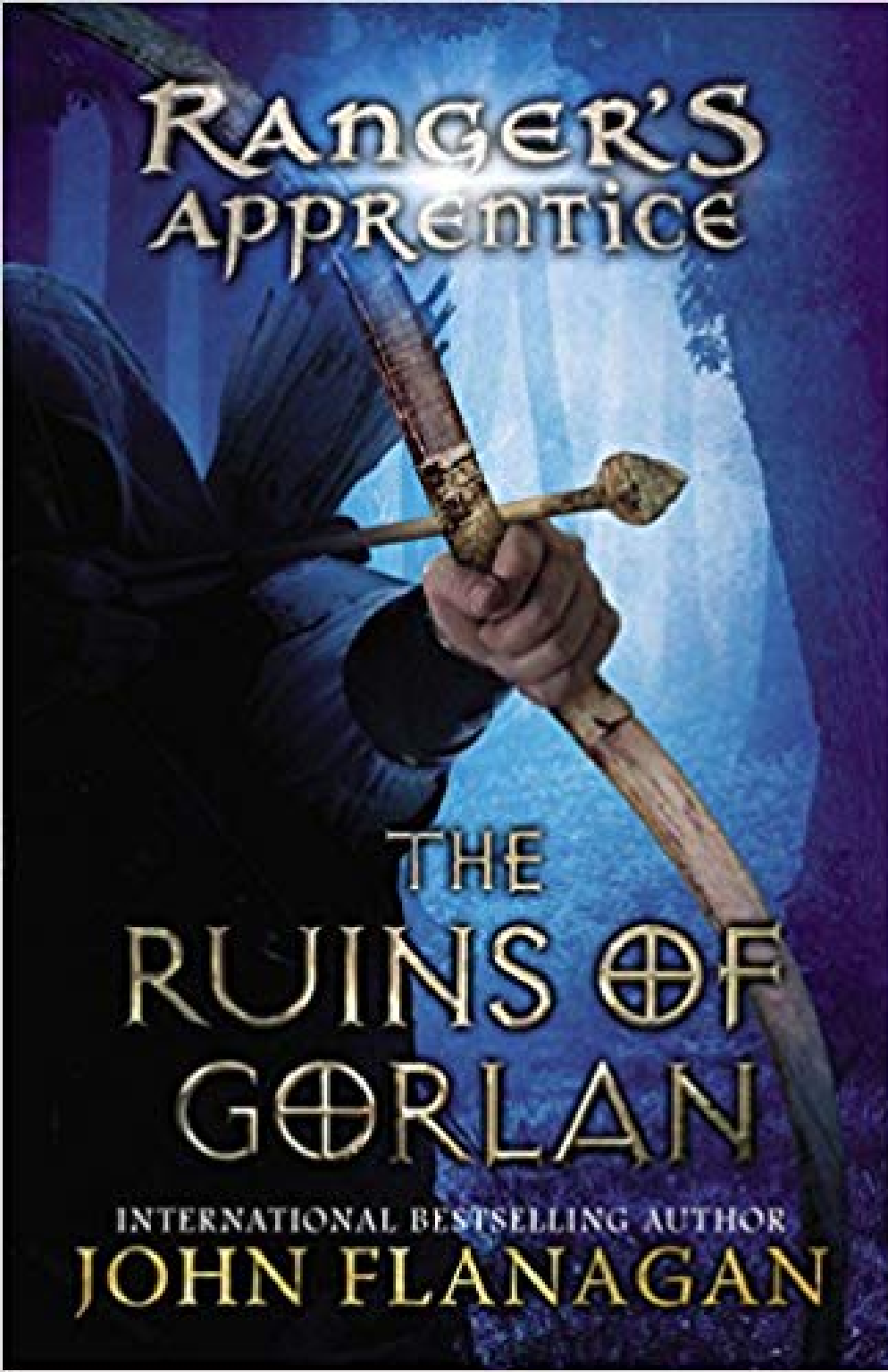




- Asynchronous Development
- Degree of Giftedness
- Intrinsic Motivation
- Introversion

Asynchronous Development





The Ruins of Gorlan

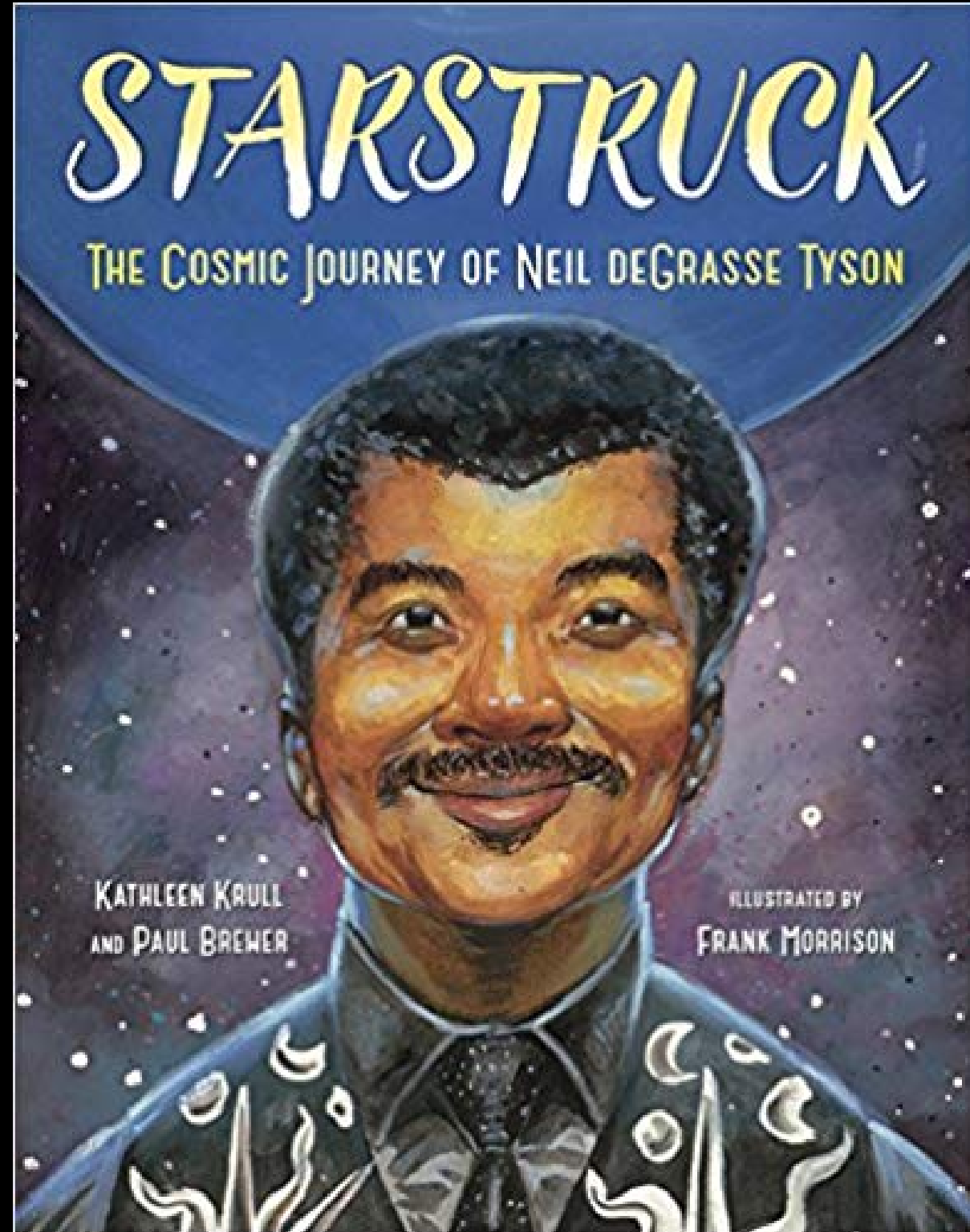
- John Flanagan

Ranger's Apprentice Series



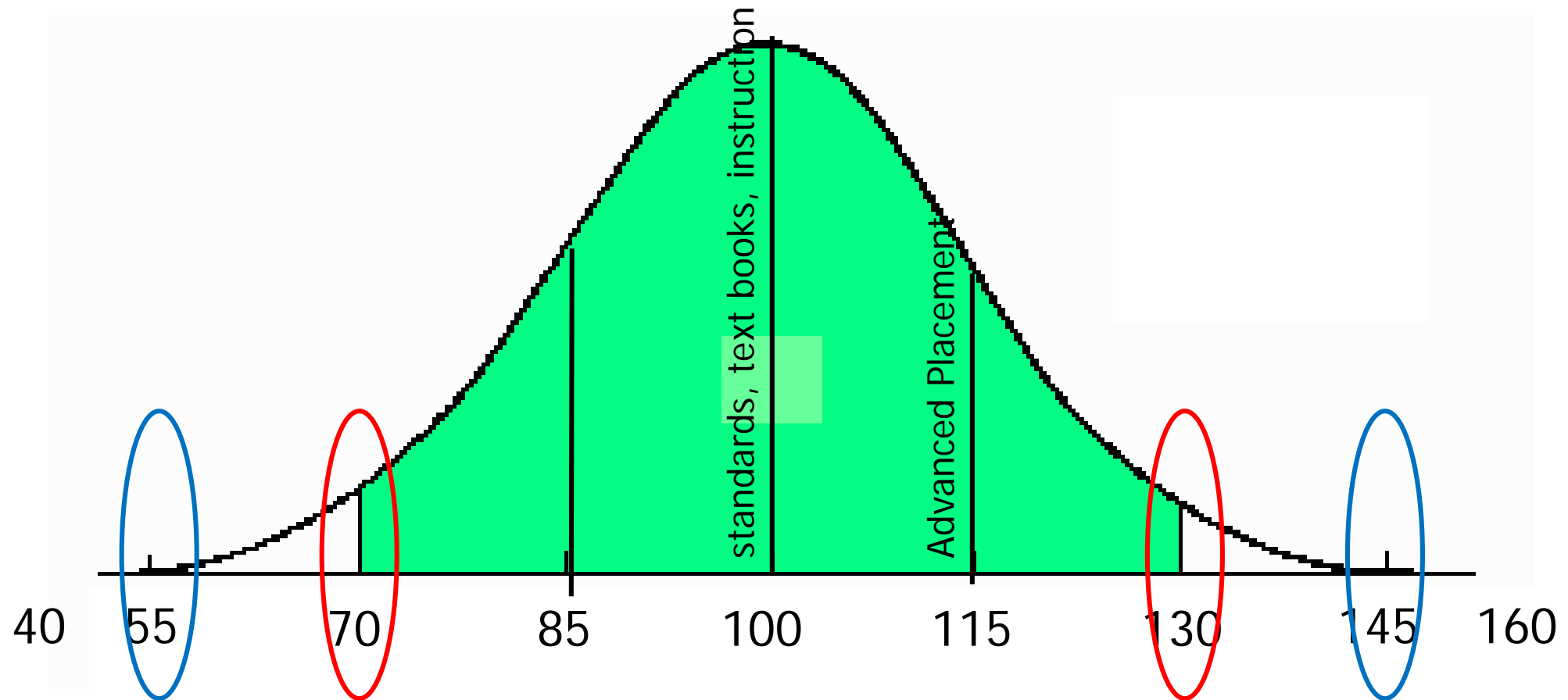
Starstruck

- Kathleen Krull & Paul Brewer



Degree of Giftedness

Degree of giftedness = distance from the mean





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Ungifted

- Gordon Korman

And then all the pressure starts: Do better, reach for the stars, live up to your potential, go all out, strive, achieve. Why? p. 101

To me this stuff was all so easy that 4 out of 35 and 35 out of 25 were really the same thing. It was like kicking puffballs of dandelion seeds as you walk across an open field. You *could* get them all. But why would you? It just didn't *matter*. p. 102

THE SEQUEL TO **UNGIFTED**



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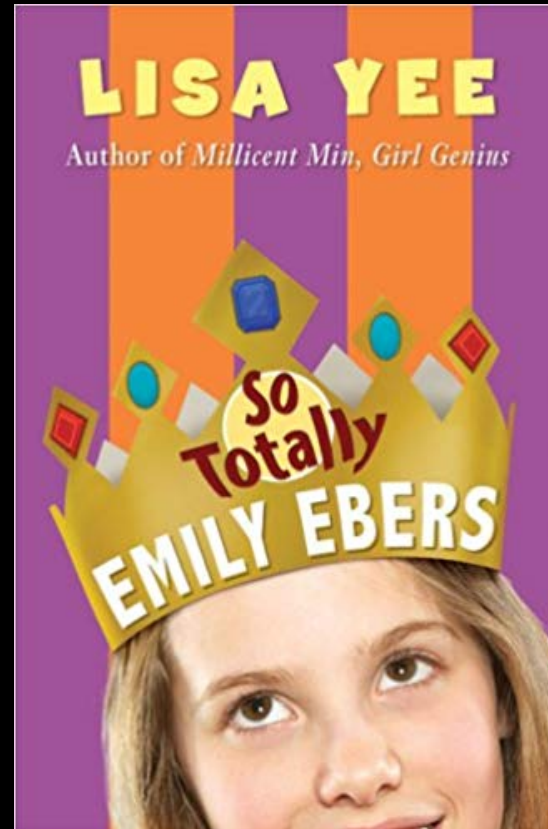
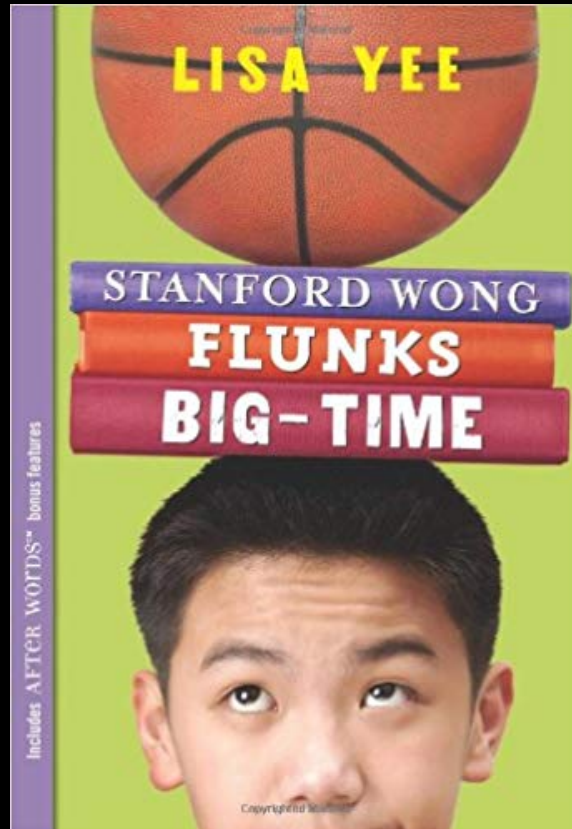
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- Lisa Yee

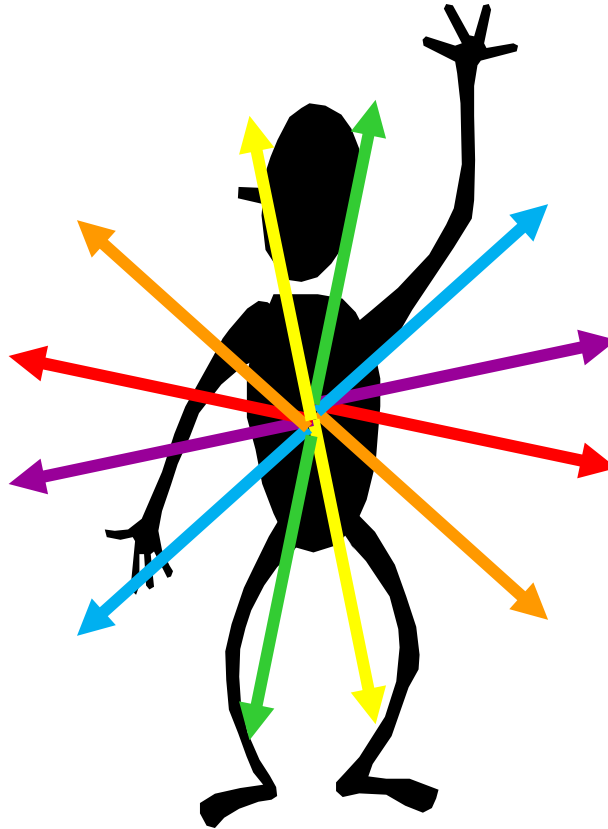


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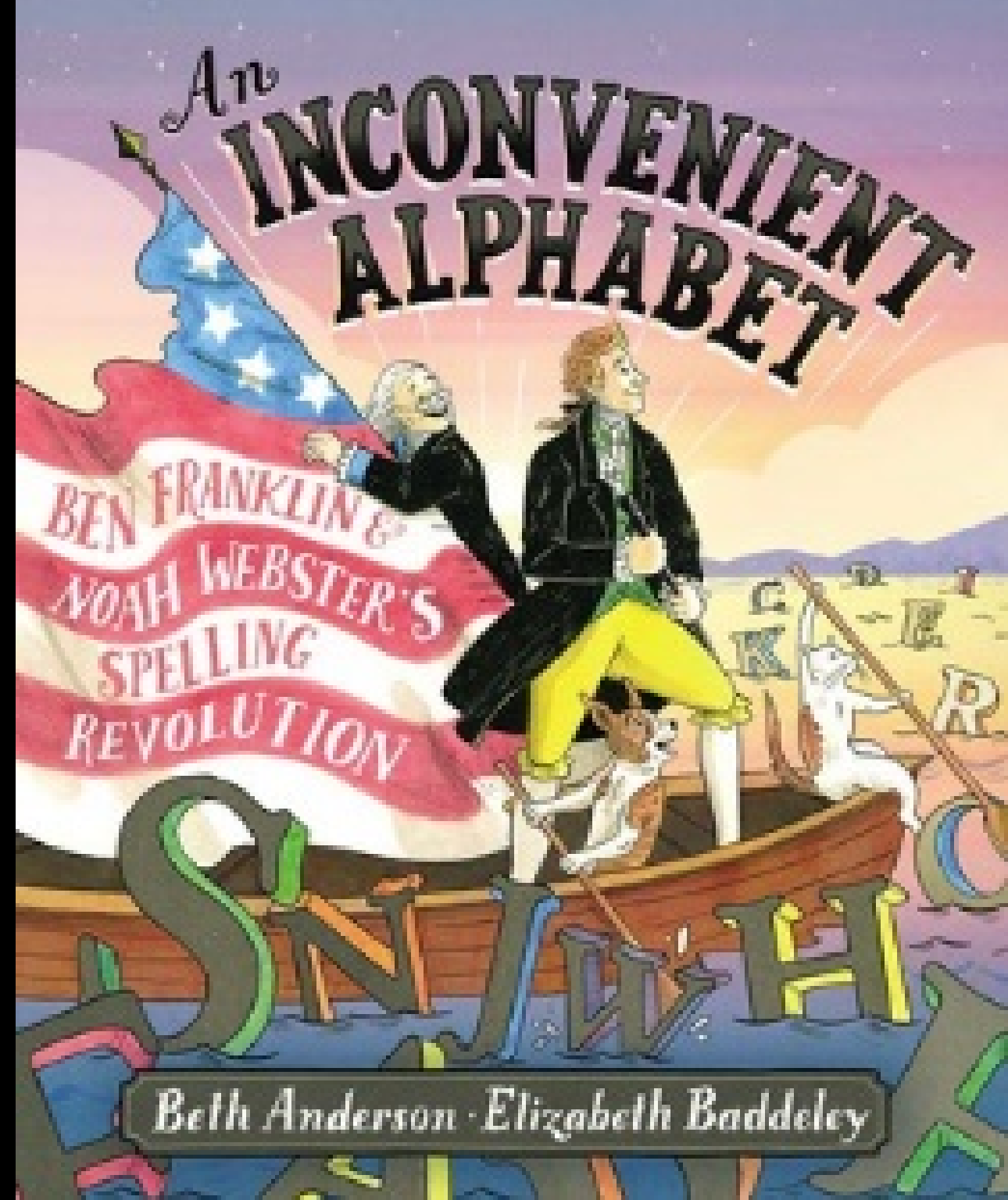


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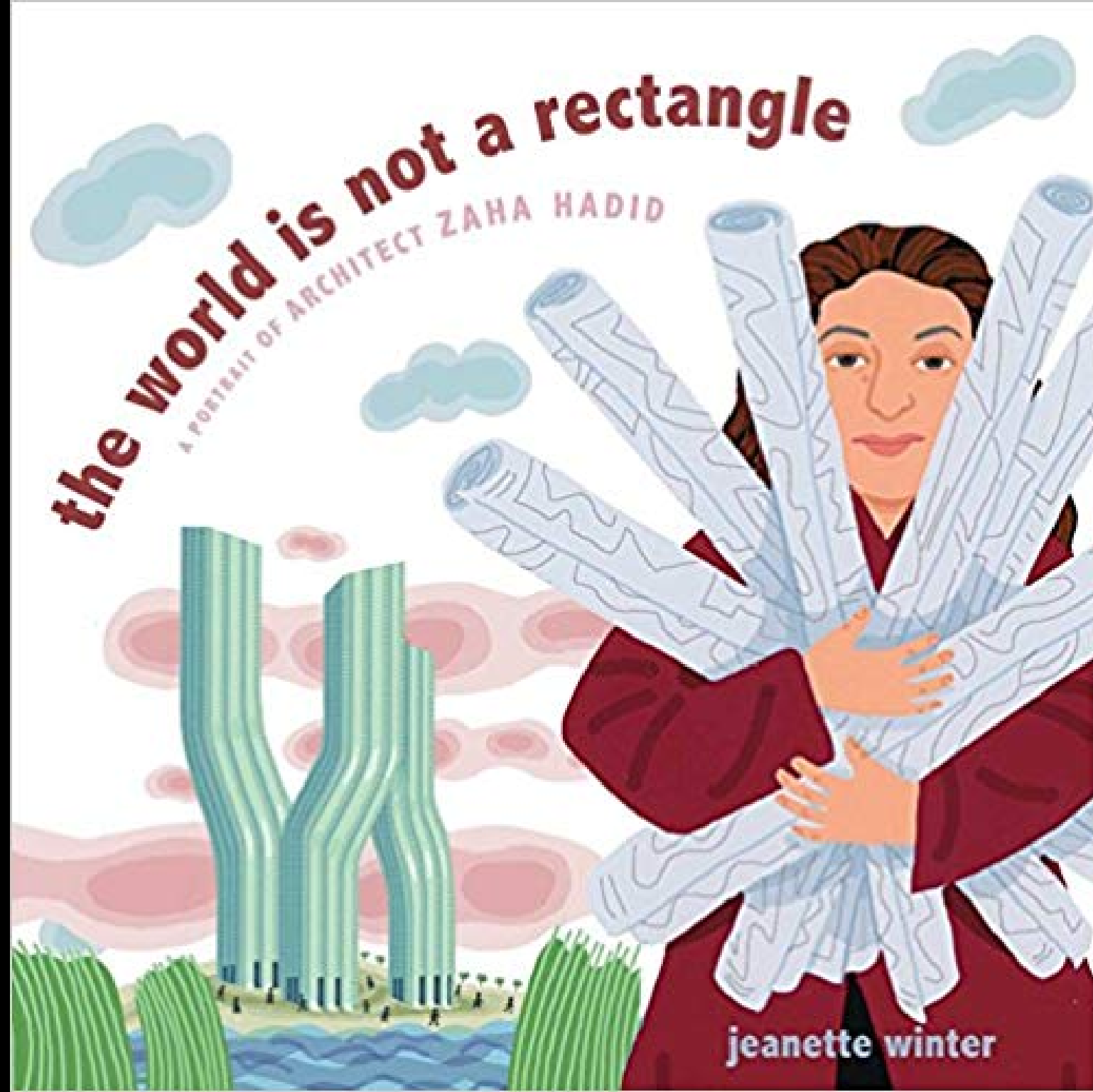
An Inconvenient Alphabet

- Beth Anderson & Elizabeth Baddeley



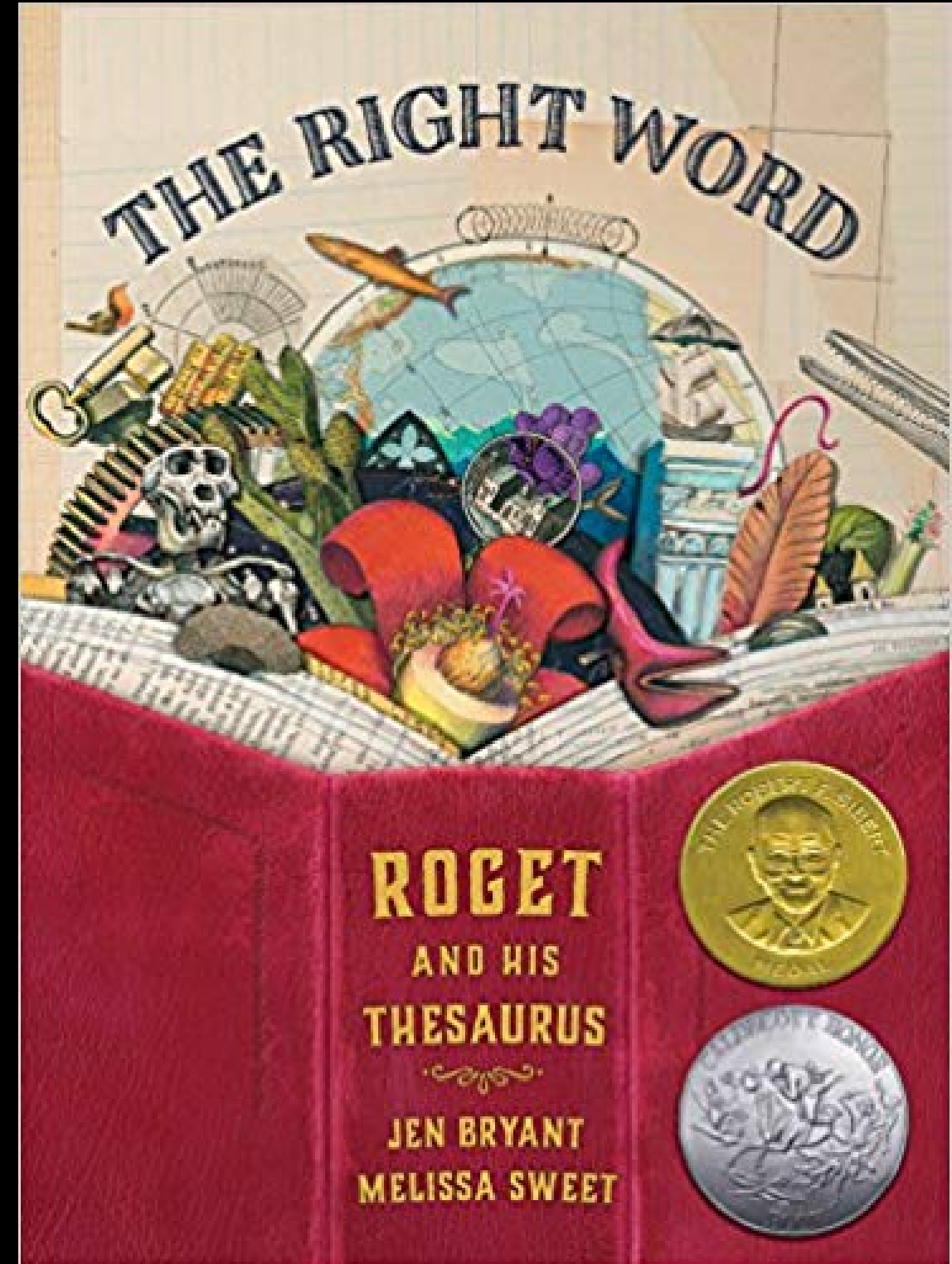
The World is not a Rectangle: A Portrait of Architect Zaha Hadid

- Jeanette Winter



The Right Word

- Jen Bryant & Melissa Sweet



Planting Stories/Sembrando Historias

- Anika Aldamuy Denise & Paola Escobar



Introversion

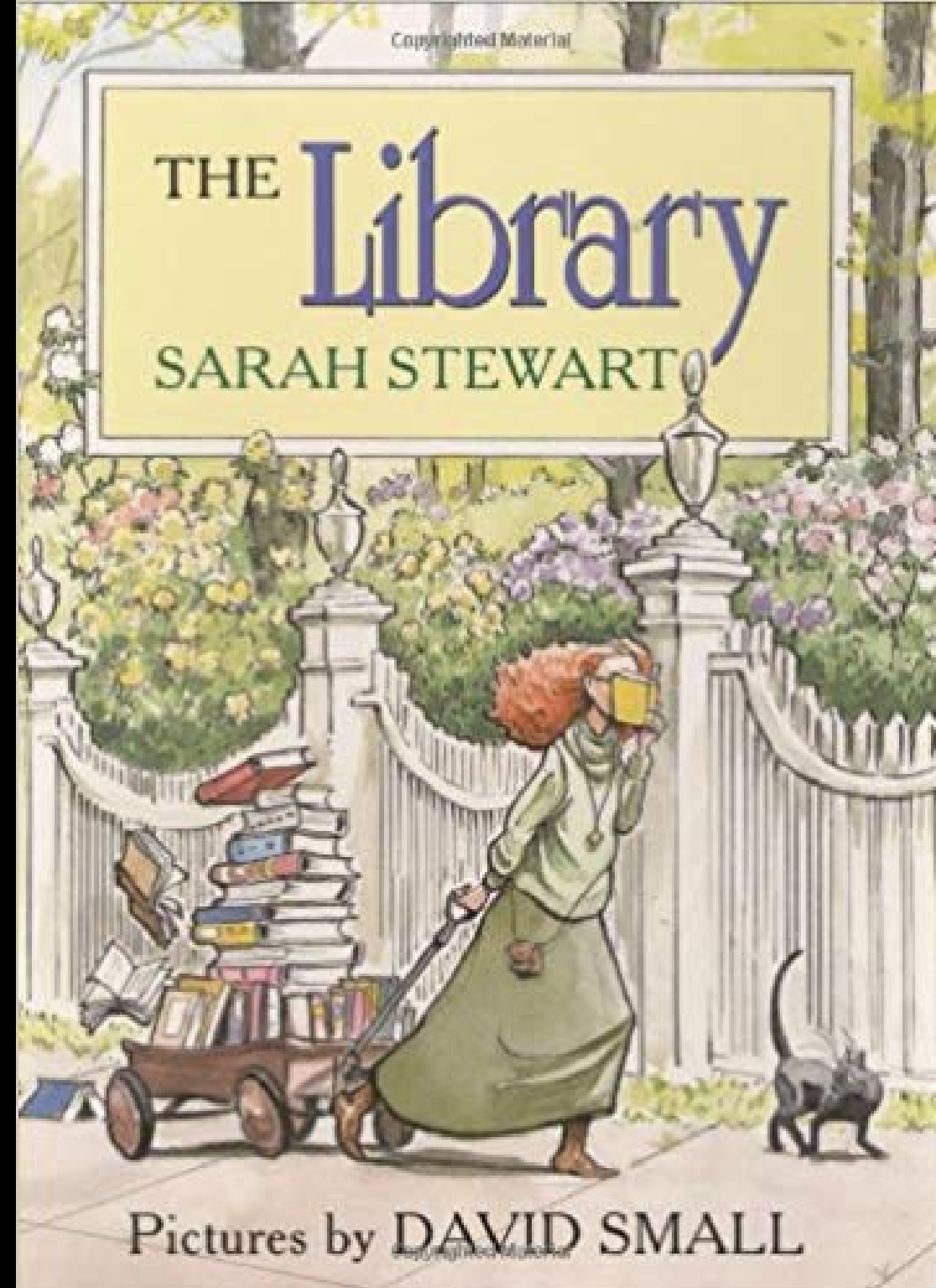
From others



From being
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The Library

- Sarah Stewart



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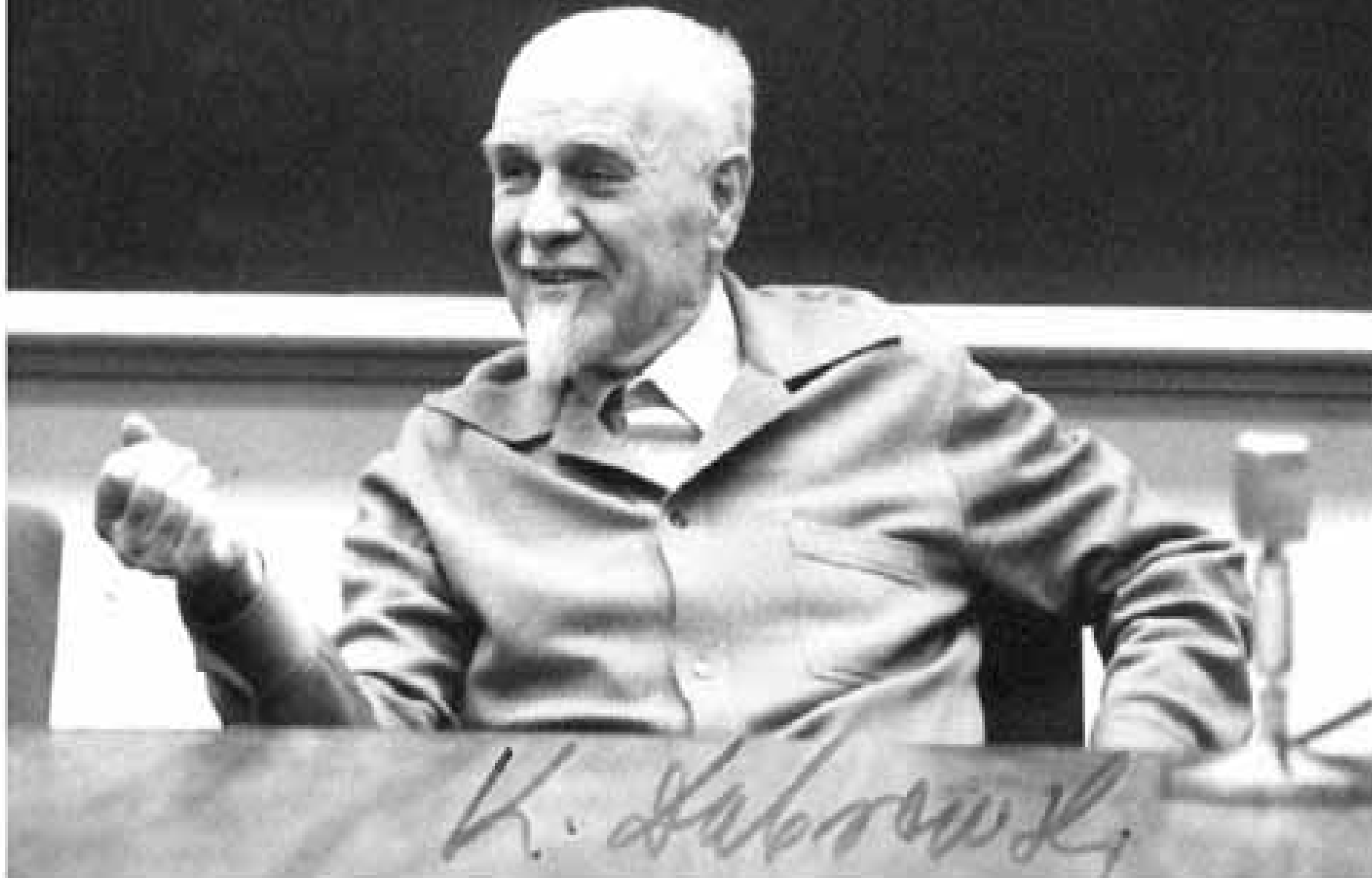


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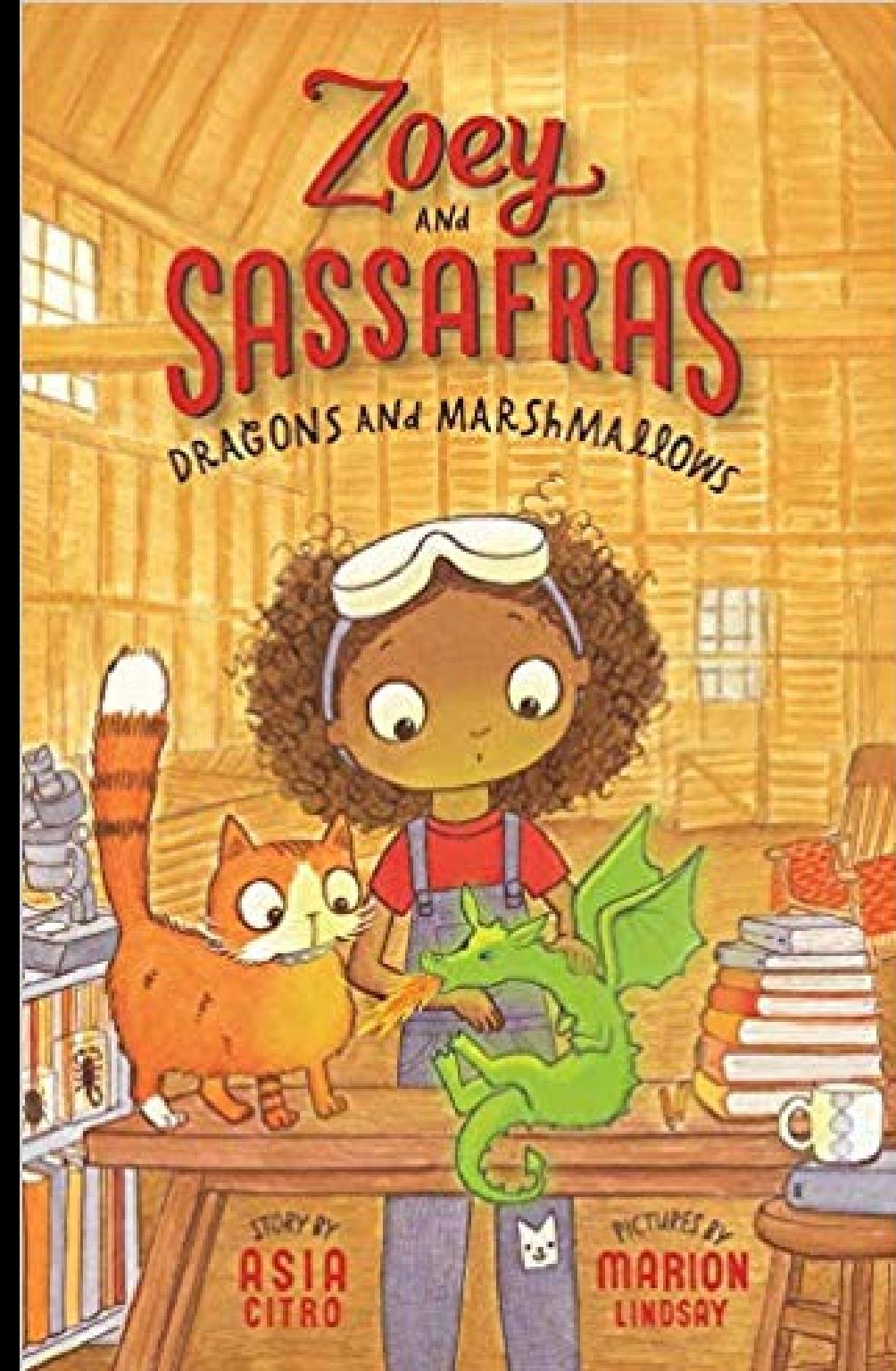
Intellectual

- NEED to know
- Questioning
- Theory
- Moral thinking
- World issues
- Critical of others



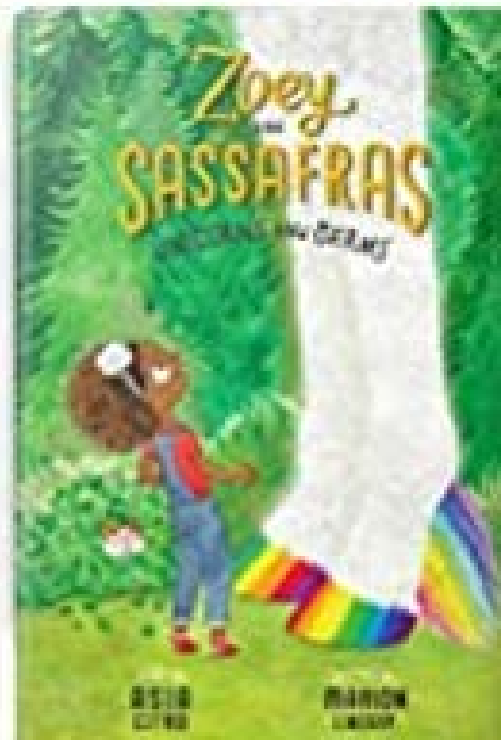
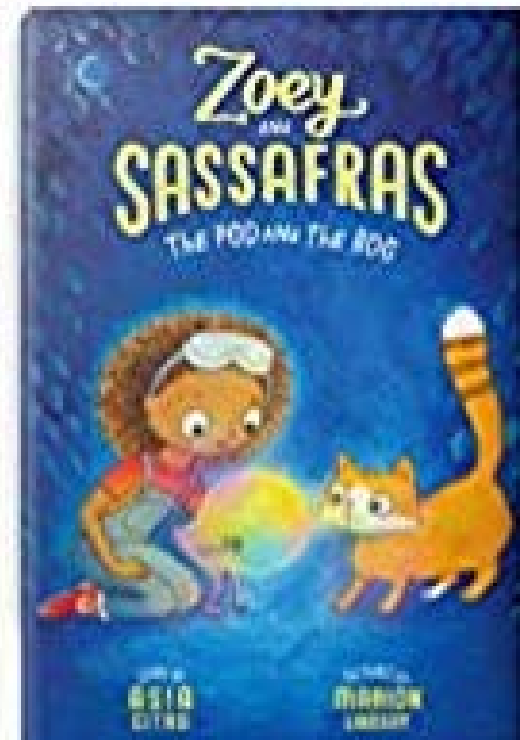
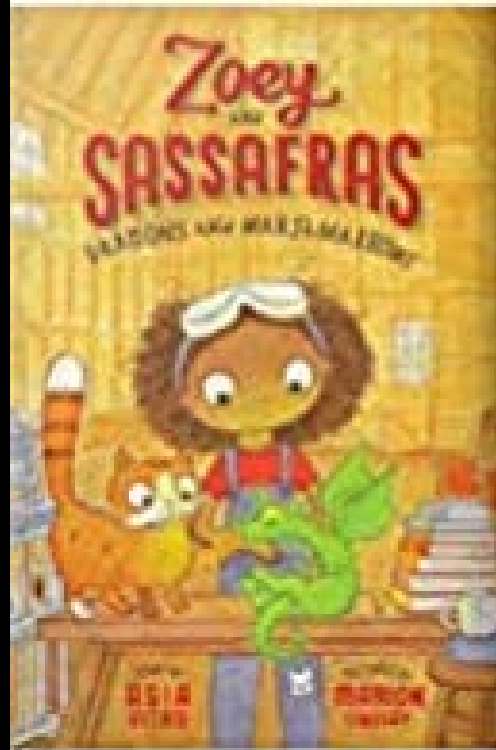
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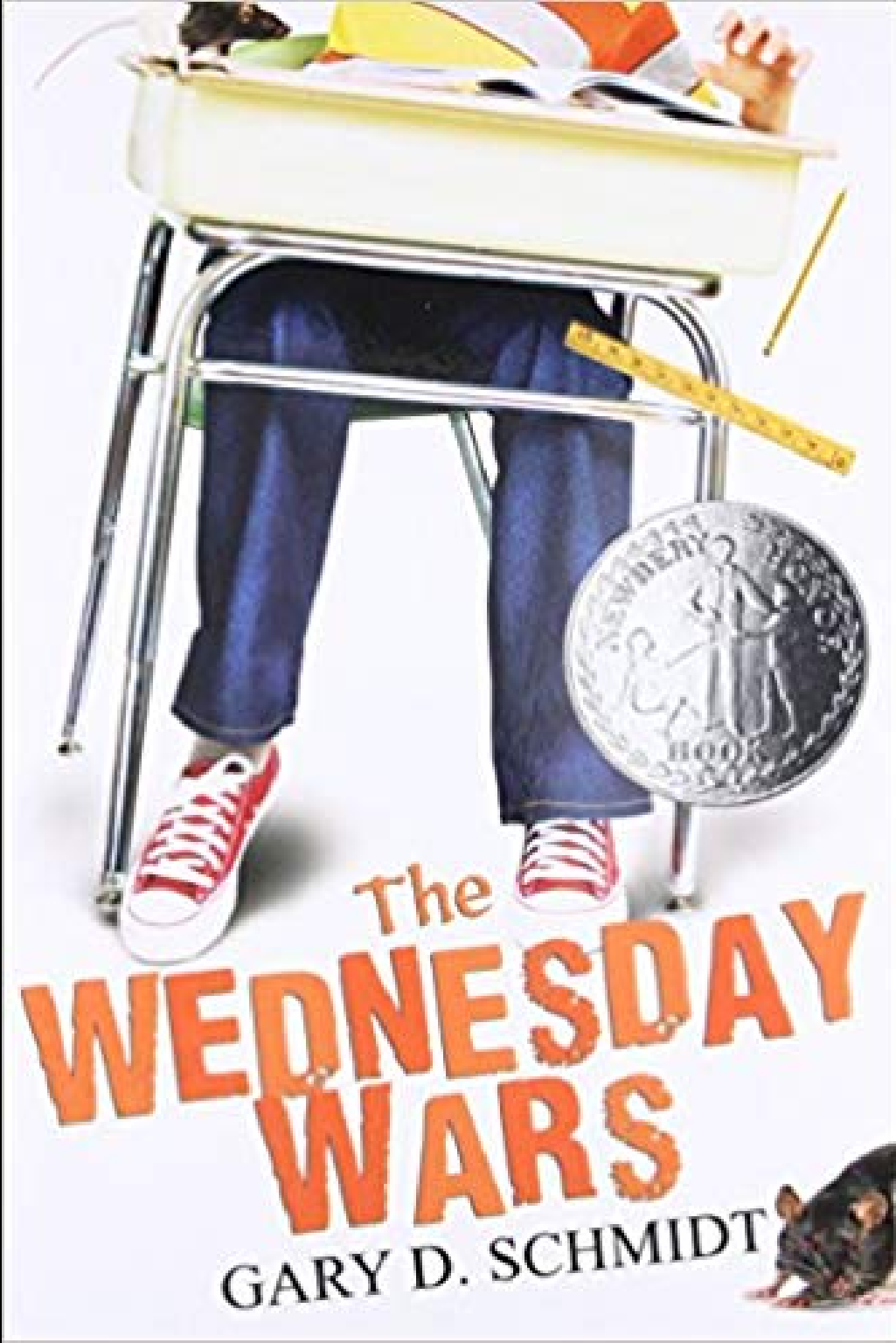
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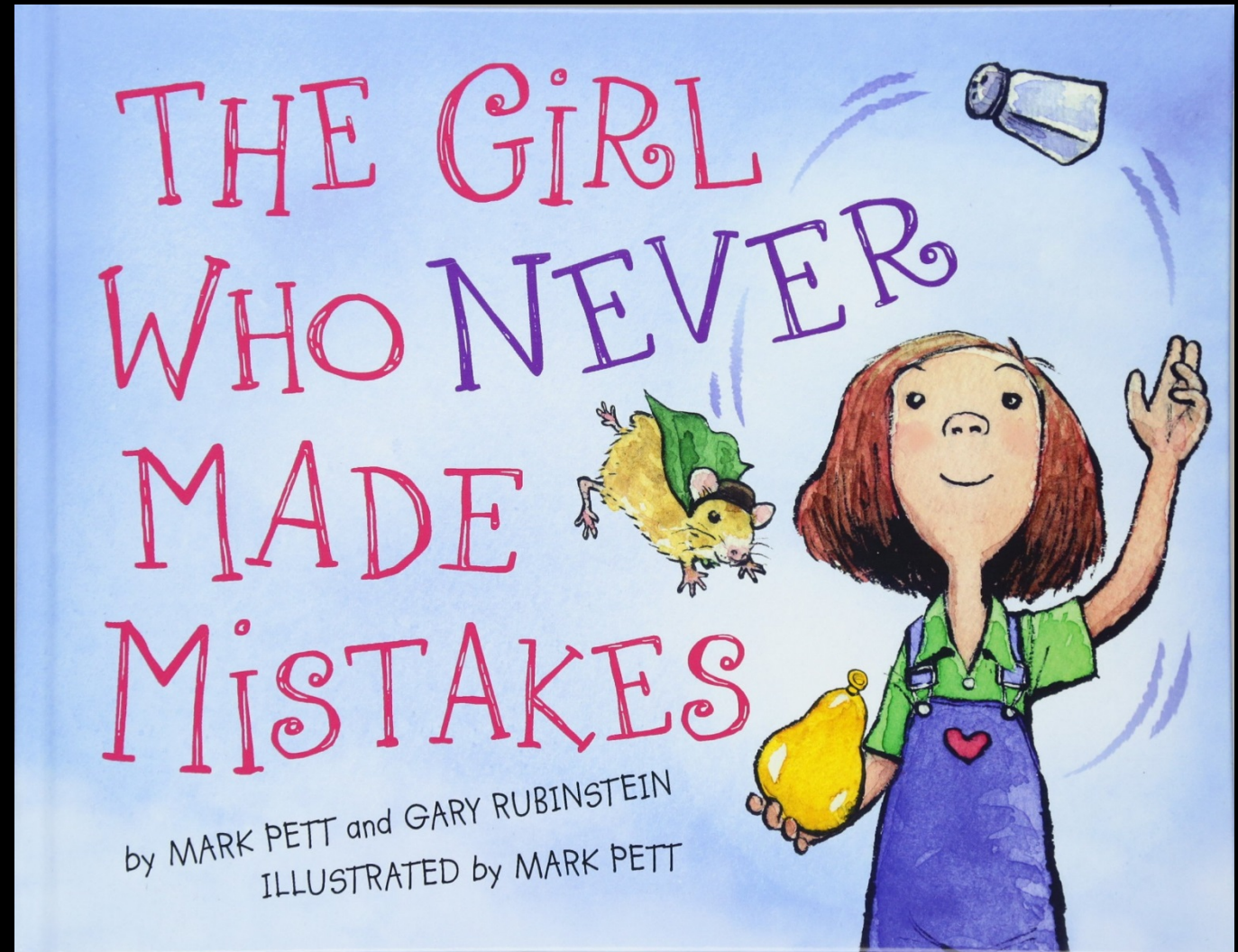


The Wednesday Wars

- Gary D. Schmidt

The Girl Who Never Made Mistakes

- Mark Pett and Gary Rubinstein



Biography Comparison

Biography Comparison

Select an historical figure about whom you'd like to learn. Read two biographies of that person written by different authors. Compare them. Do the facts match in both of them? Do they build a similar picture of the person's character, feelings, and beliefs? Make notes below and indicate what is similar and what is different.

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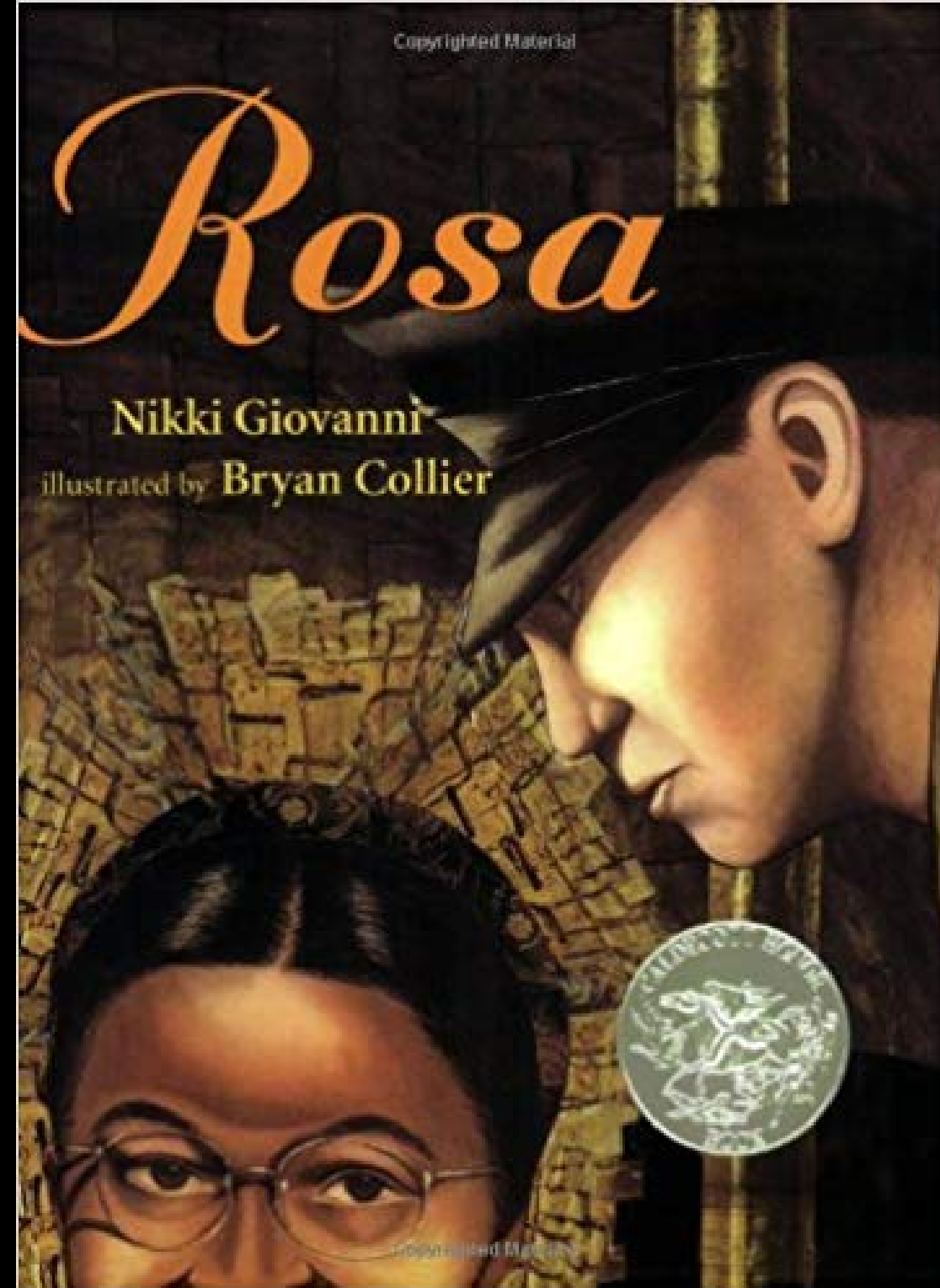
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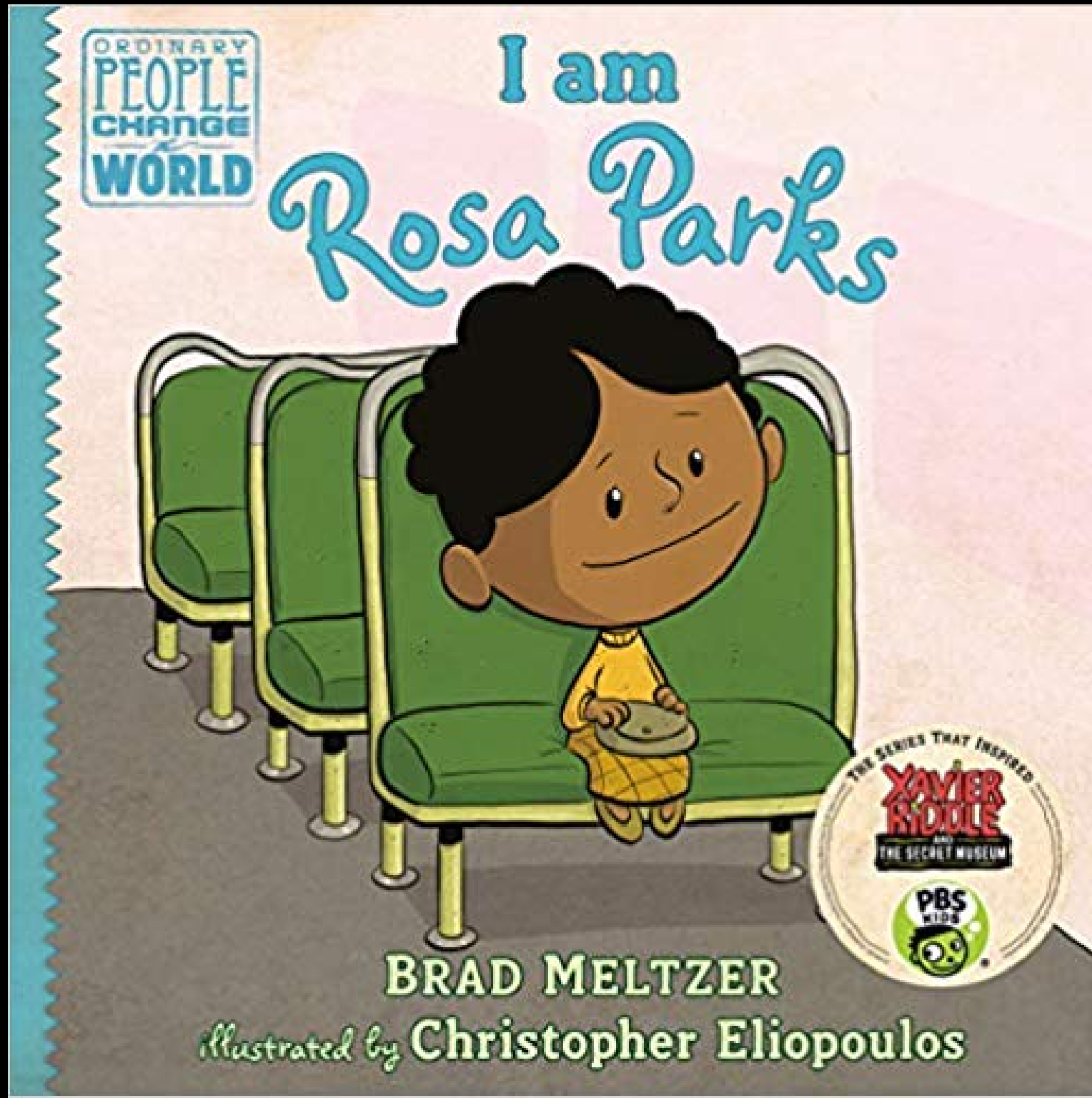
Rosa

- Nikki Giovanni & Bryan Collier



I am Rosa Parks

- Brad Meltzer & Christopher Eliopoulos



Rosa Parks

- Lisbeth Kaiser & Marta Antelo

Little People, BIG DREAMS

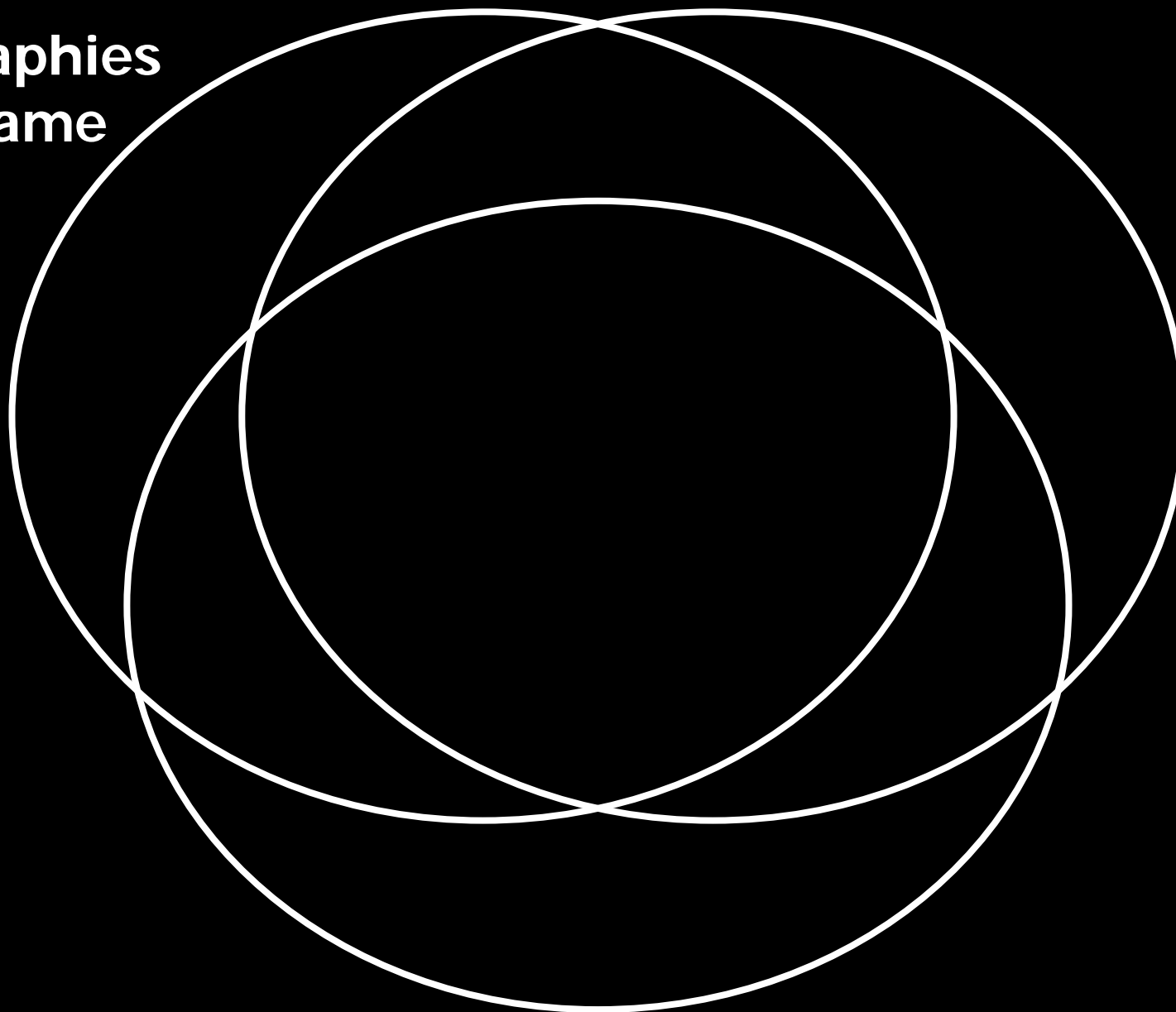
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3 Biographies
of the same
person



Imaginational

- Rich imagination
- Vivid dreams
- Elaborate stories
- Multiple imaginary friends
- Day dream



12-22-88
Dad-Monster (from strep-throat vision)
Yelling at me because I
dumped out two baskets
of toys. And then he tried to throw me away.

Manuel Noah Angeja

FUNNY BONES

Posada and His Day of the Dead *Calaveras*



WINNER OF THE PURA BELPRÉ AWARD

DUNCAN TONATIUH

Funny Bones

- Duncan Tonatiuh

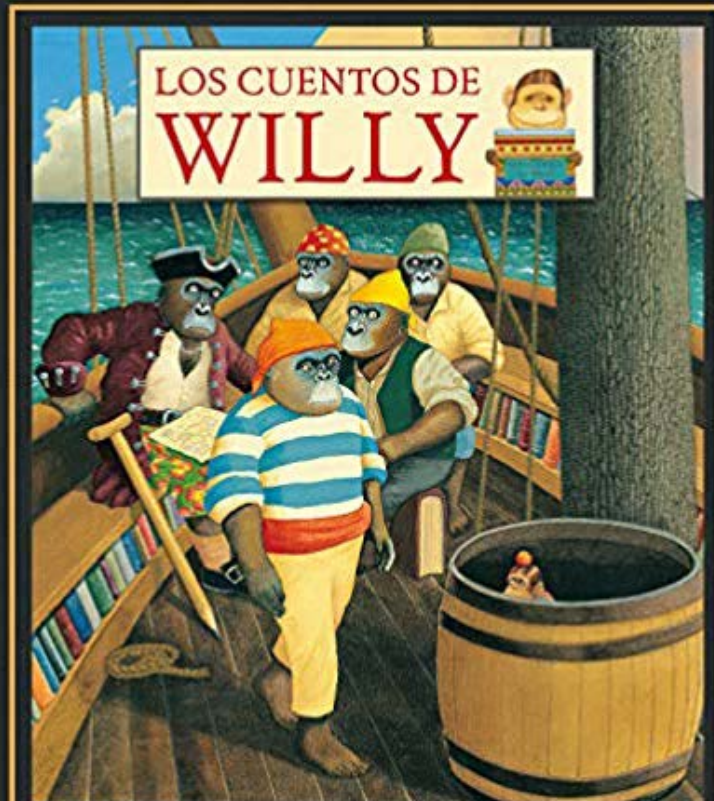
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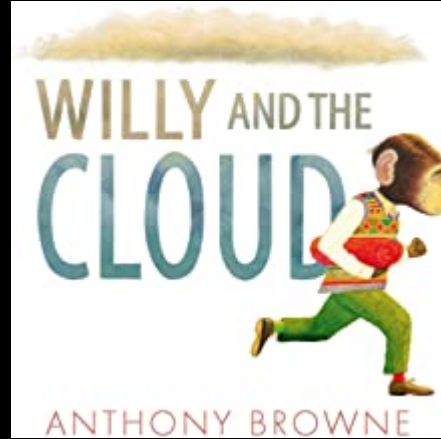
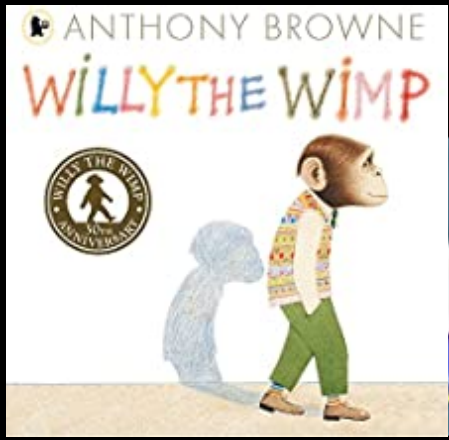
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Willy's Stories

- Anthony Browne

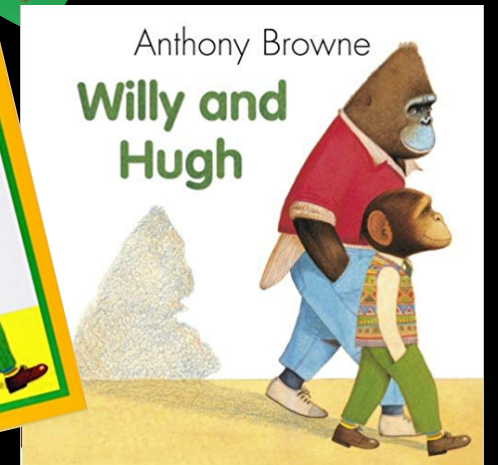
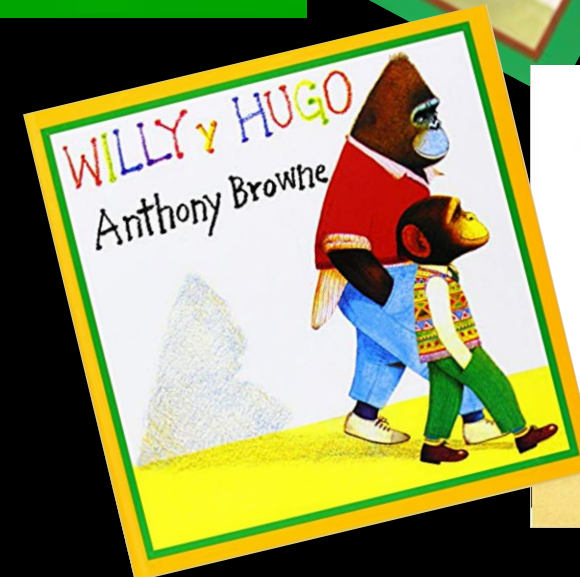
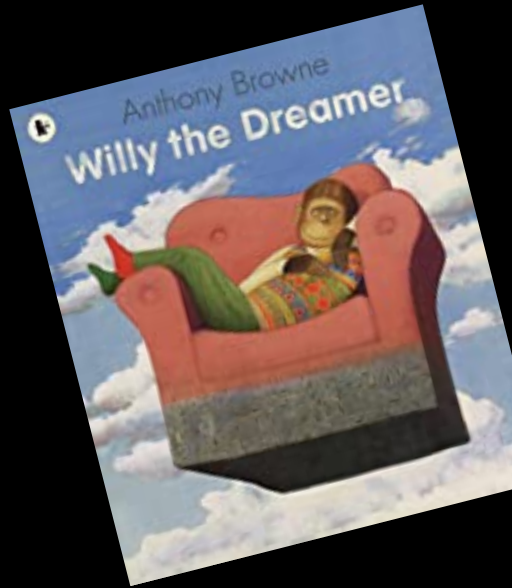
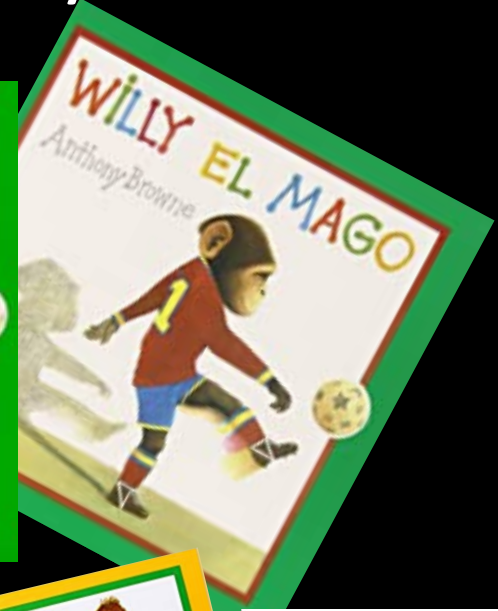


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Willy Series

- Anthony Browne



THE DREAMER

PAM MUÑOZ RYAN & PETER SÍS



The Dreamer

- Pam Muñoz Ryan & Peter Sís

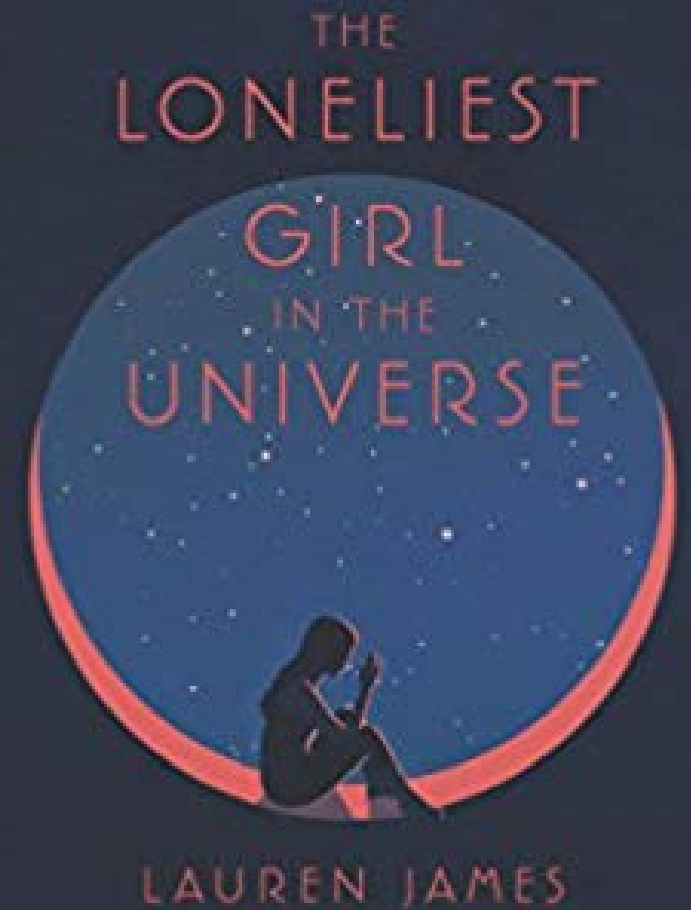


Emotional

- Emotional depth
- Strong attachments (people, animals, stuffed animals)
- Self-critical
- Fears and anxiety
- Cries easily
- Appears to be overreacting
- Physical reactions (stomach and head aches)

The Loneliest Girl in the Universe

- Lauren James

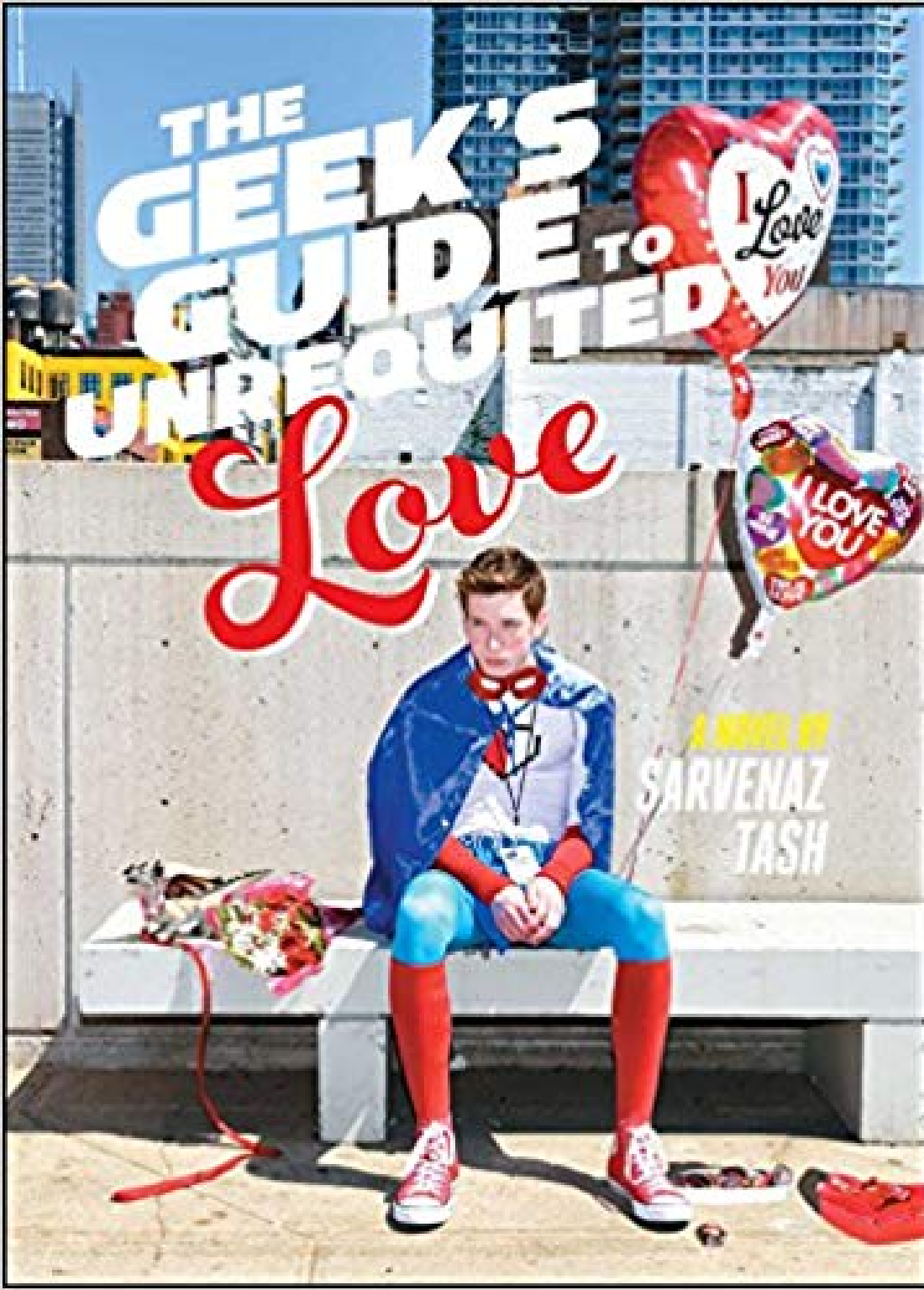


KATE KLISE



Deliver Us From Normal

- Kate Klise



The Geek's Guide to Unrequited Love

- Sarvenaz Tash

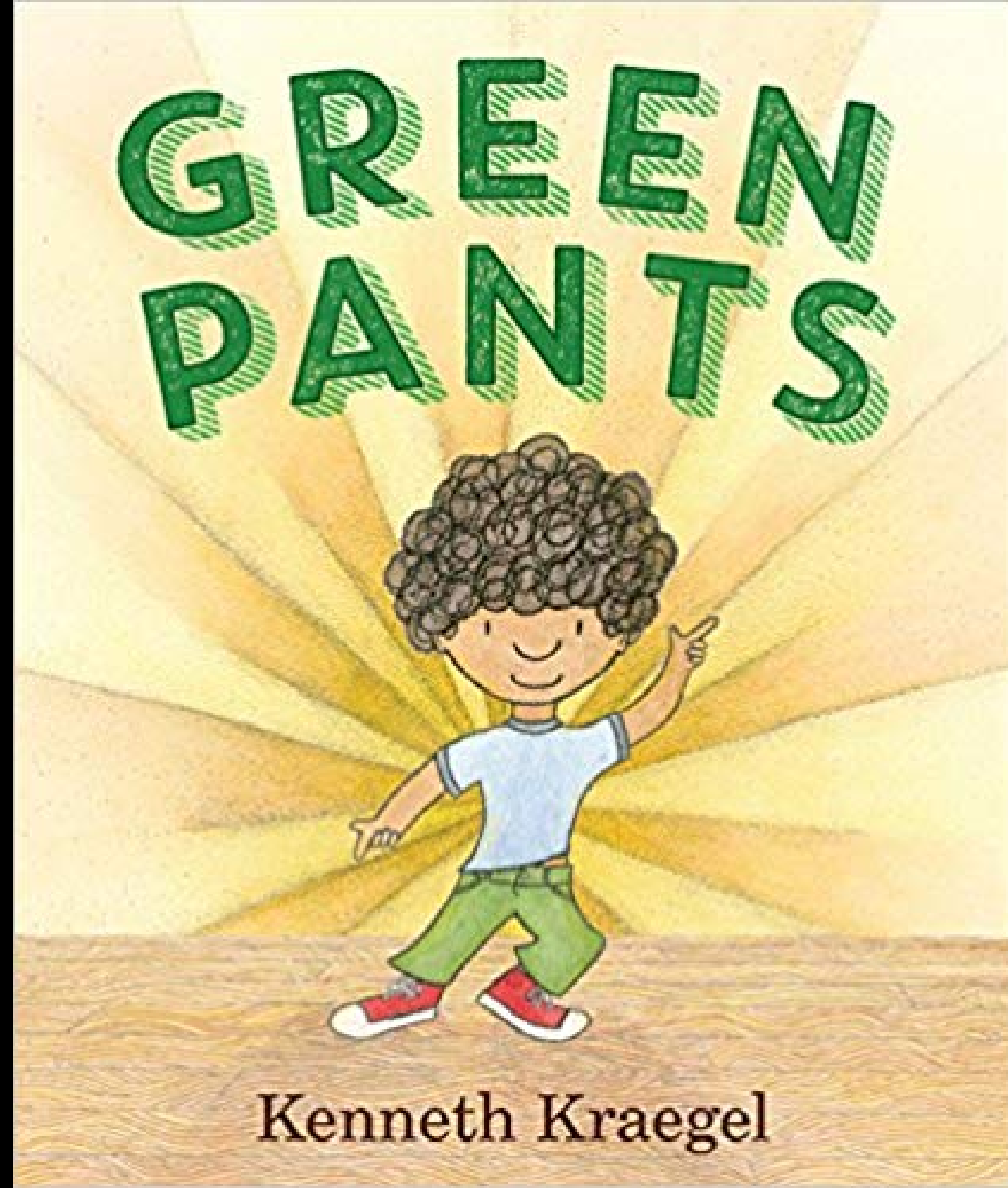


Sensual

- Heightened senses
 - Discord
 - Ticking
 - Visual composition
 - Clothing (tags, socks, stockings)
 - Foods (texture, allergies, tastes)
 - Aromas
 - Hands on walls & clothes

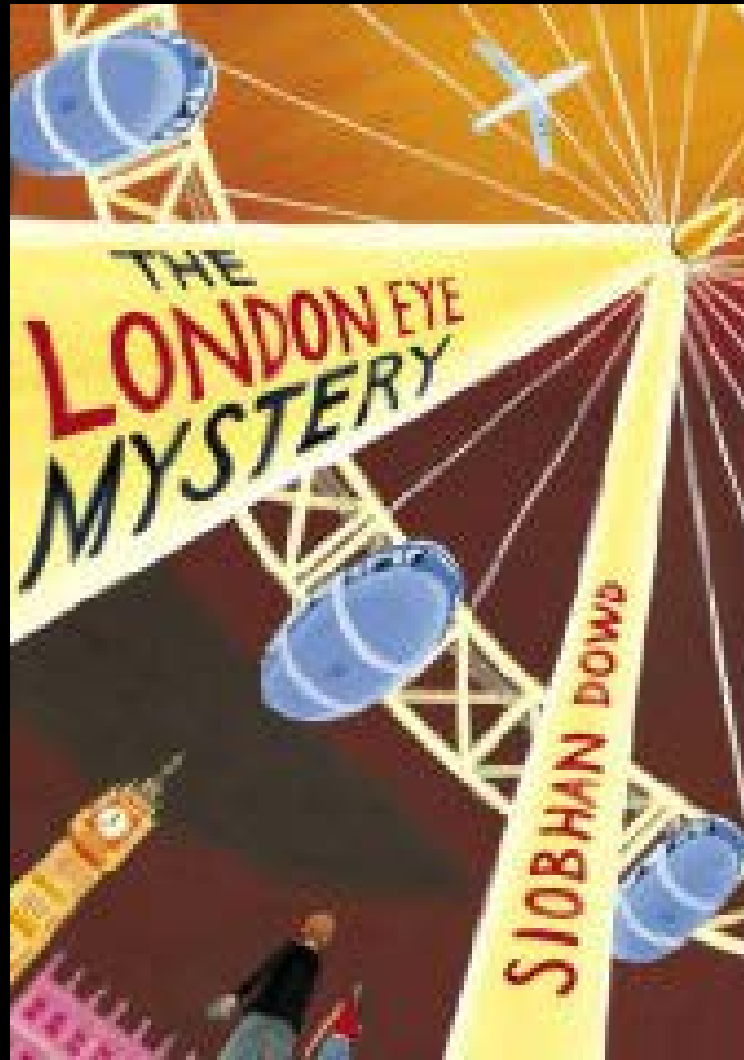
Green Pants

- Kenneth Kraegel

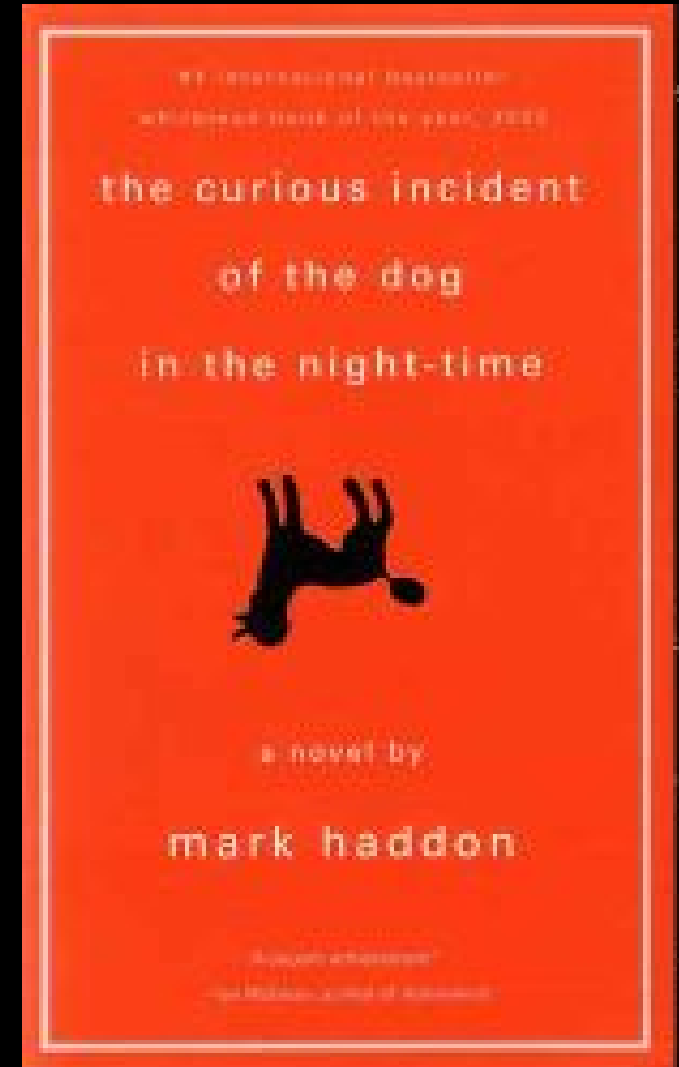


Autism Spectrum

Siobhan Dowd

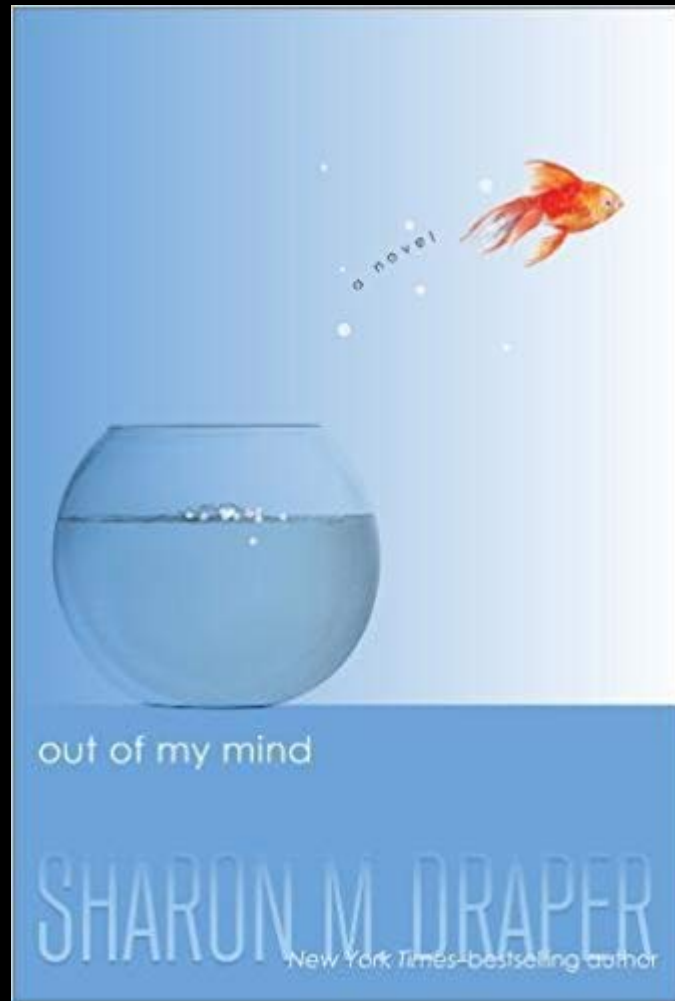


Mark Haddon

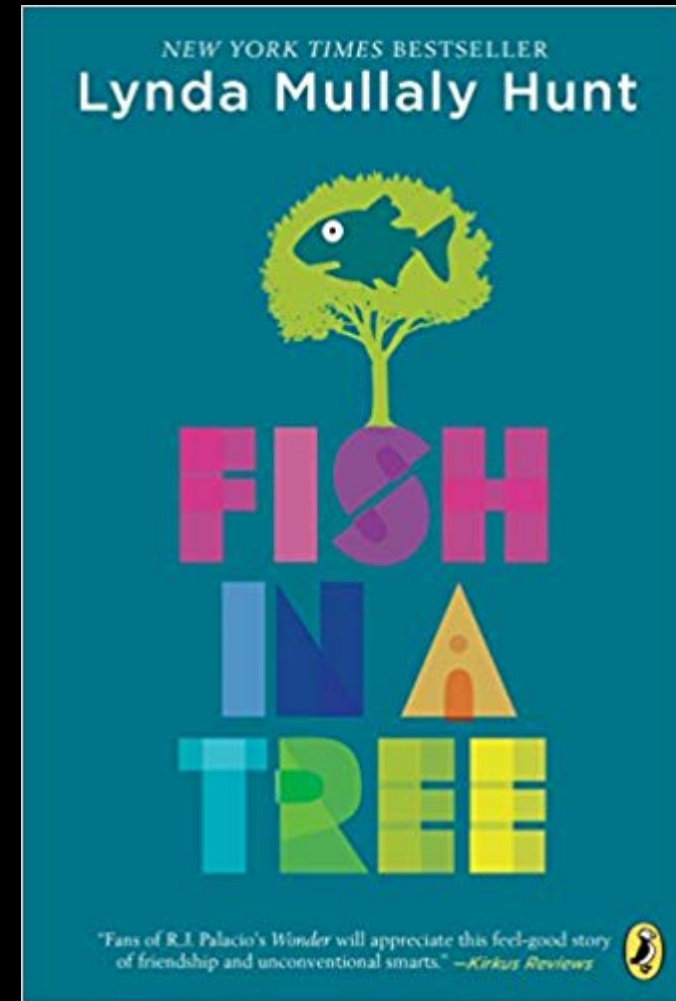


Other Books About 2e Students

Sharon M Draper



Linda Mullaly Hunt



Psychomotor



- Rapid speech
- Fast games
- Movement
- Nervous habits
- Little sleep
- Impulsivity
- Interrupt
- Workaholic

CHECKED



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NATIONAL BOOK AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR

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- Cynthia Kadohata

New York Times bestselling author
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Ghost

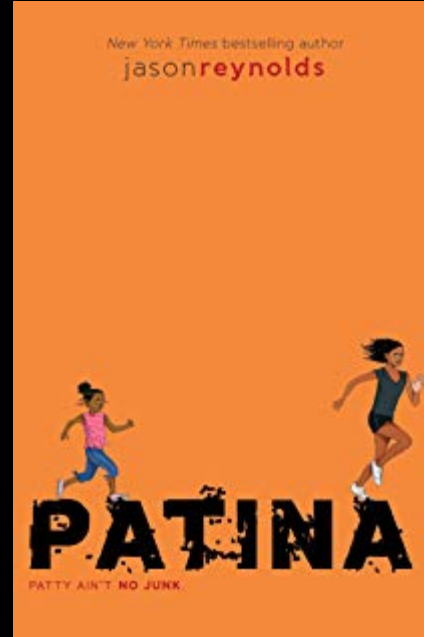
- Jason Reynolds

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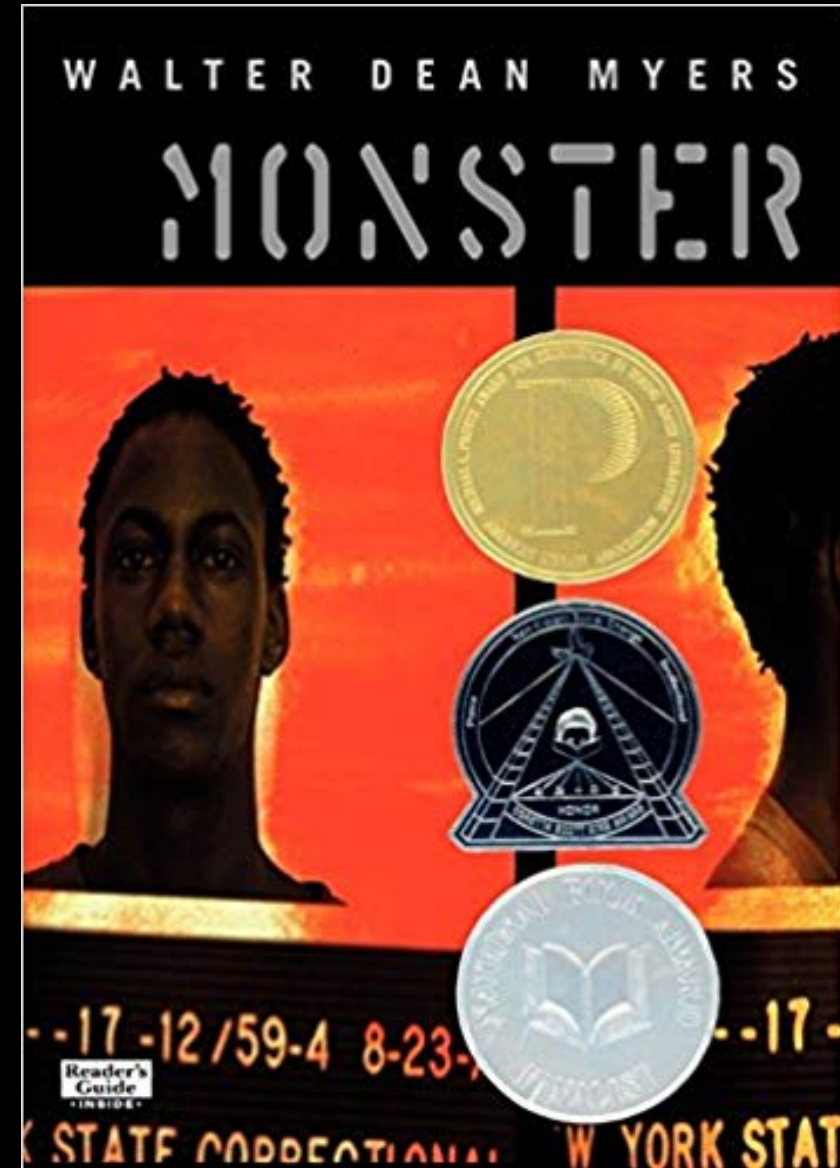


Track Series

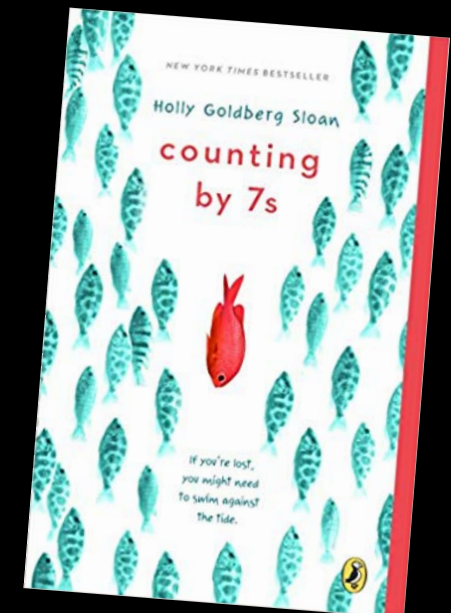
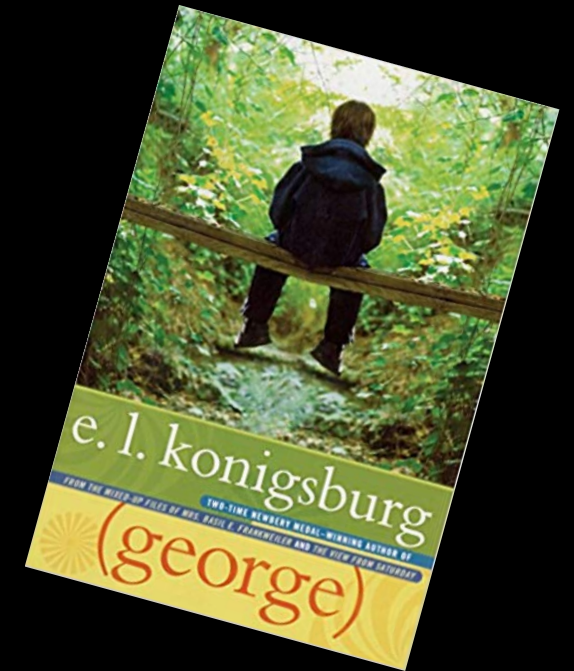
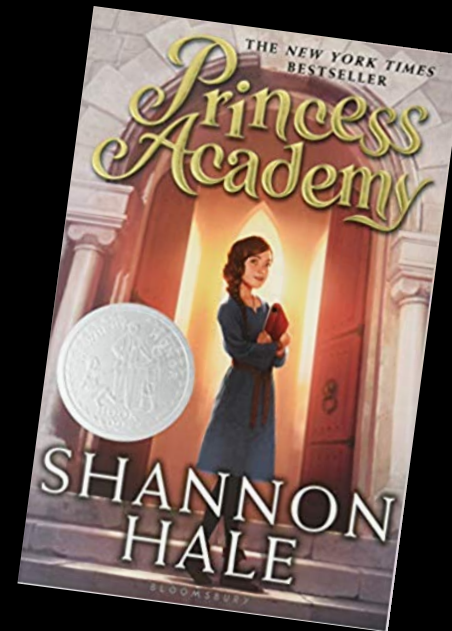
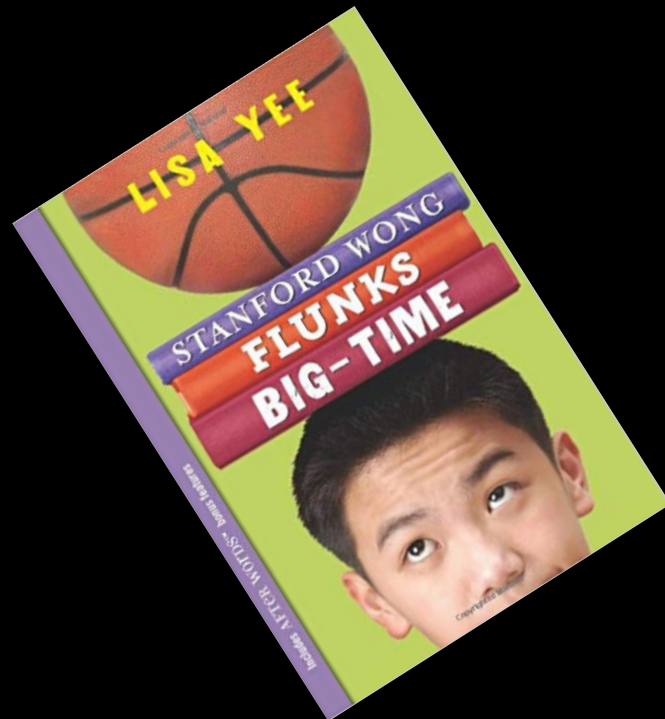
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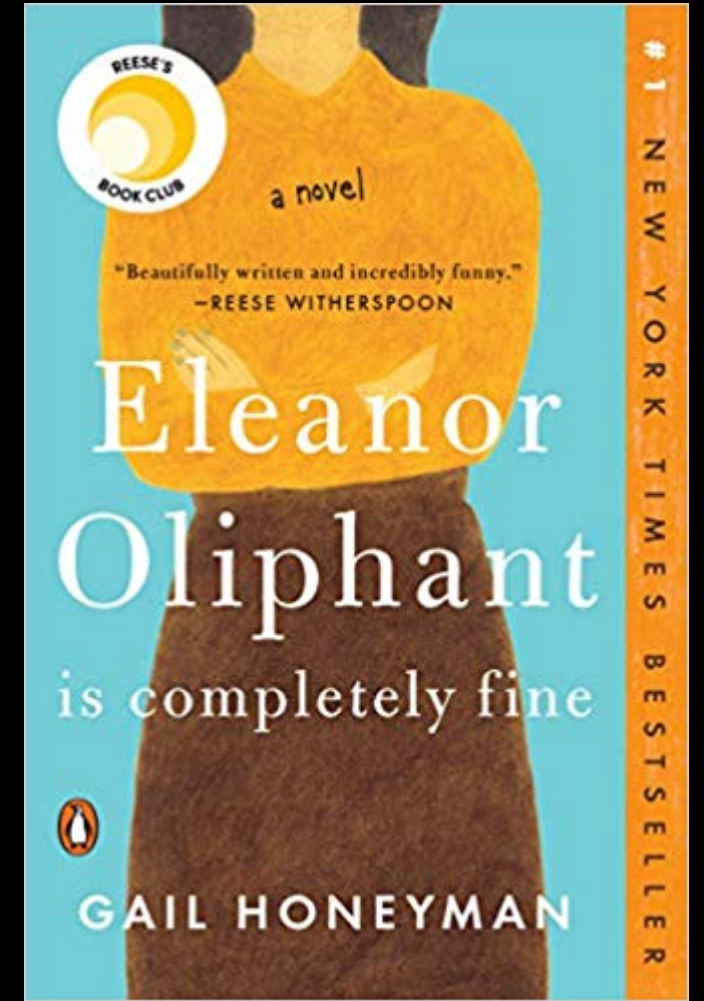
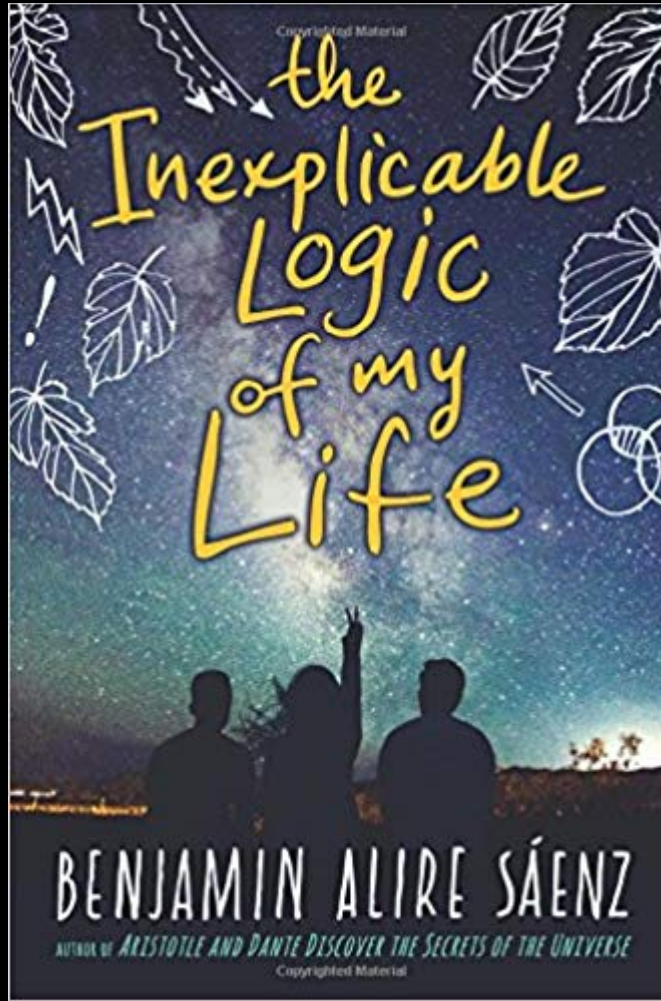
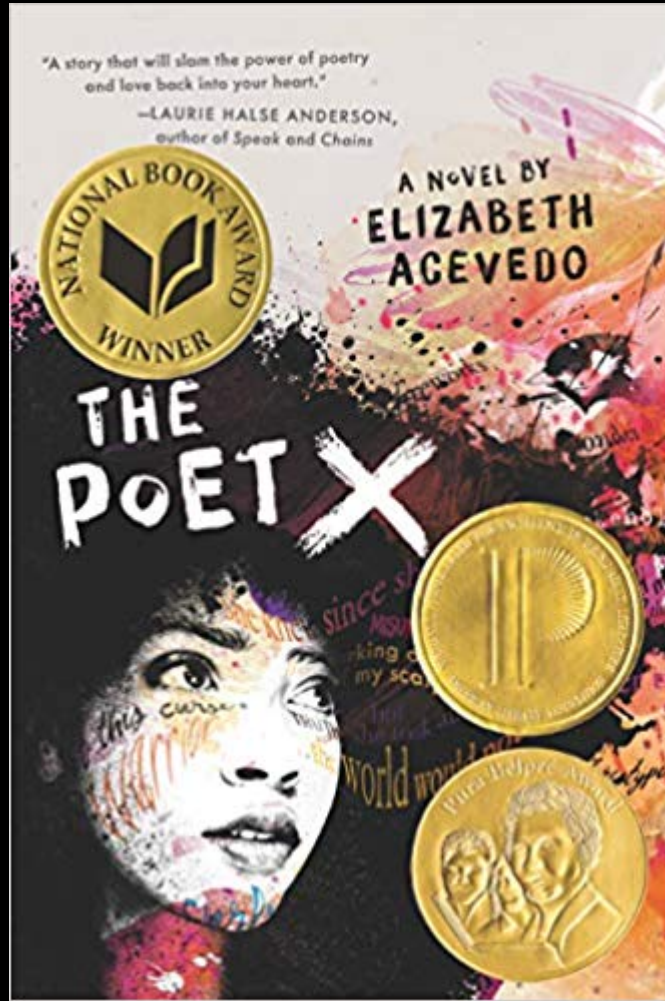
Not Gifted but Great Books



My Reading List



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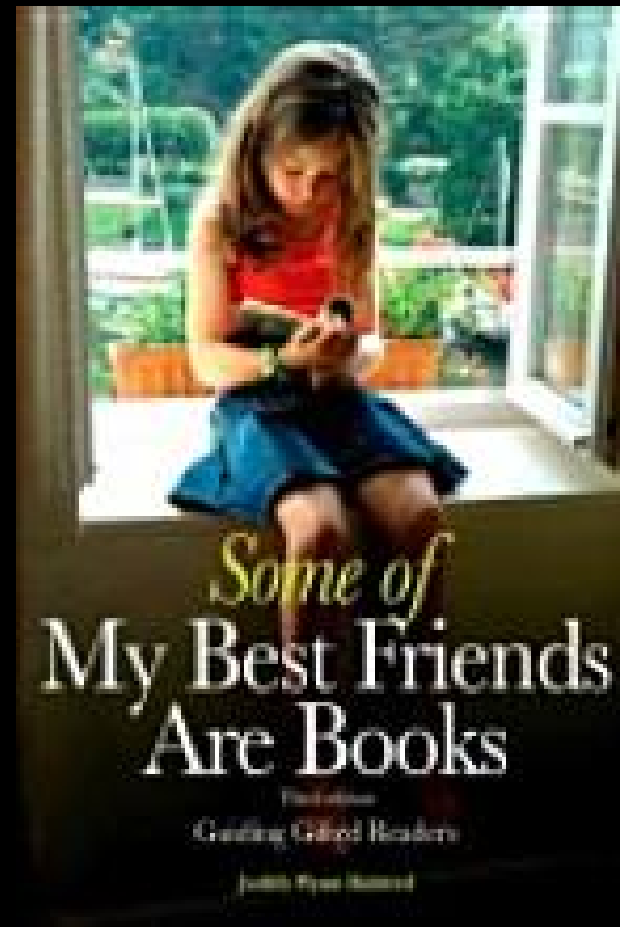
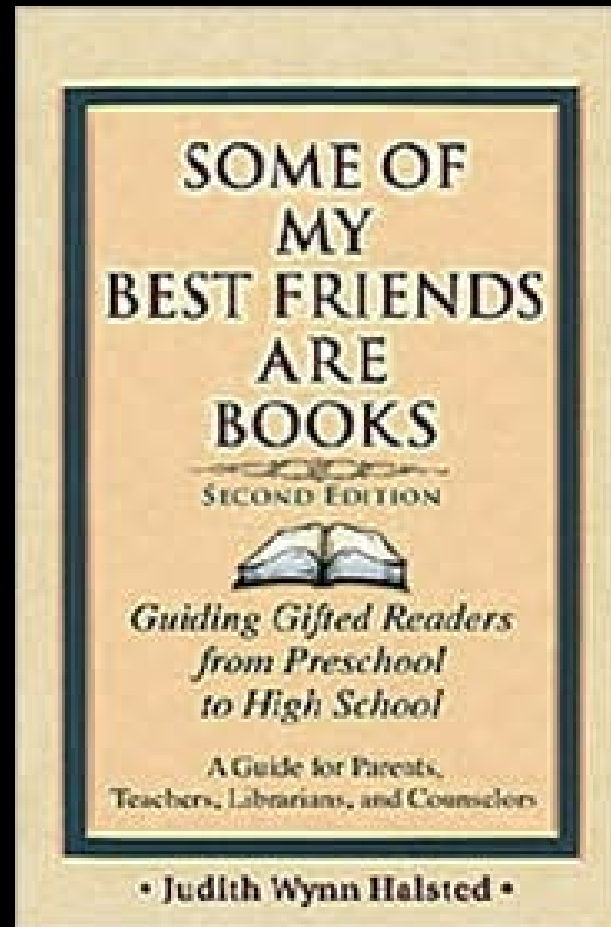


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Some of My Best Friends are Books

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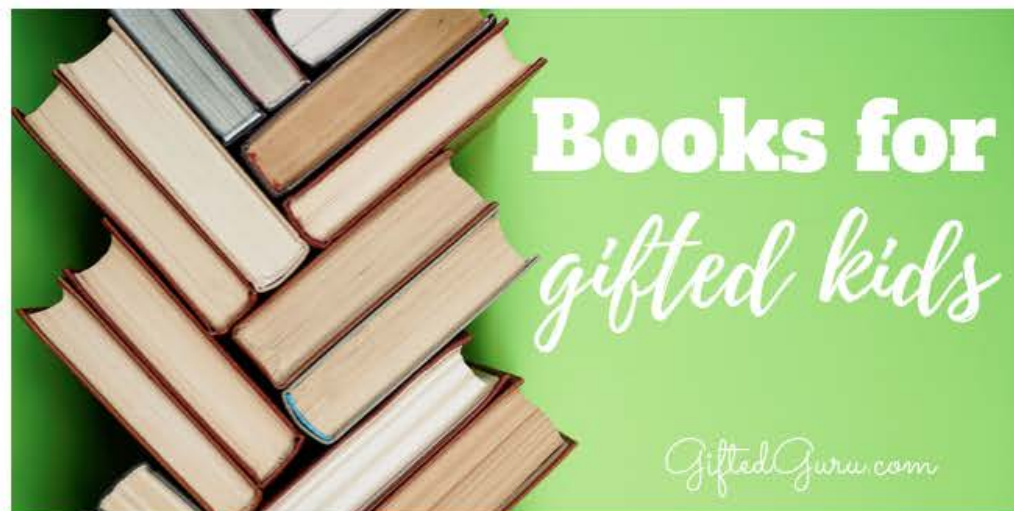




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Books for Gifted Kids

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I love books, so when I was at the [World Council for Gifted and Talented Children Conference](#) in Nashville, TN, I went to every session about books. Luckily, there were several great ones!

At one of them a fave person of mine, [Lynette Breedlove](#) from the [Gatton Academy](#), shared a list of books for gifted kids that was divided into categories (picture books,

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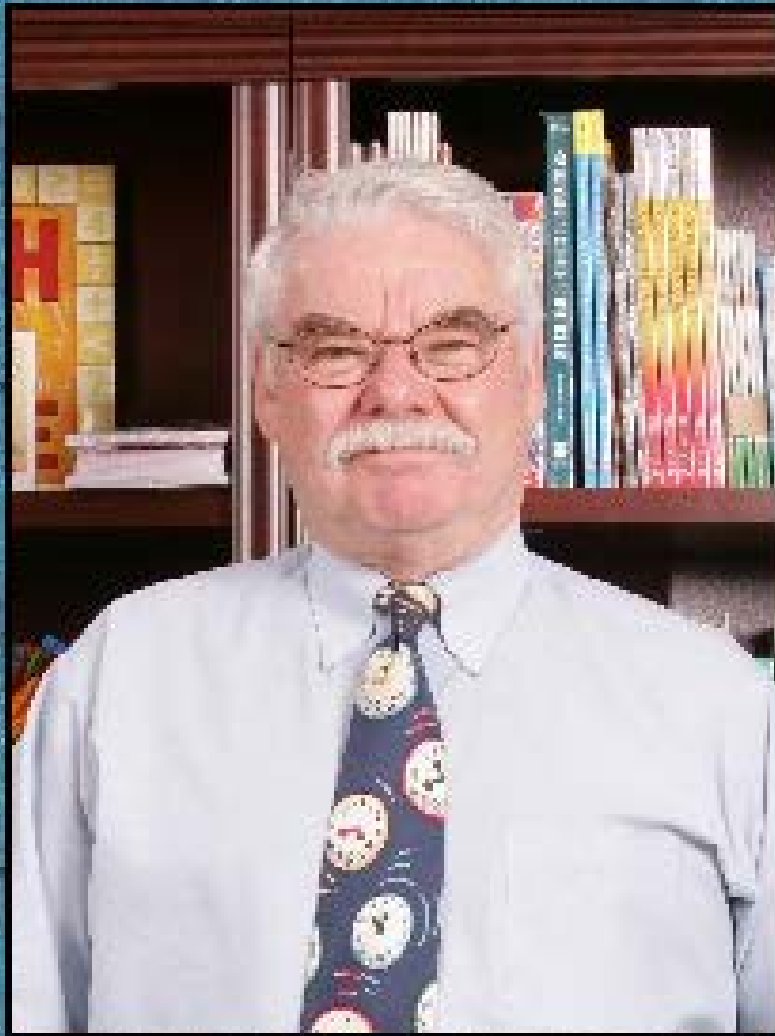


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I would be most content if my children grew up to be the kind of people who think decorating consists mostly of building enough bookshelves. -- Anna Quindlen



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