

2022 Read Aloud Indiana Upper Elementary List

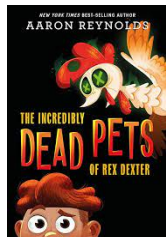


Facts VS Opinions VS Robots
by Michael Rex



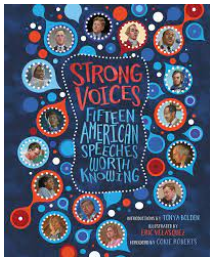
This book provides a very important lesson in a fun way. Facts vs Opinions are not always easy to determine, sometimes you need to wait for more information. This book takes the reader through several scenarios illustrating the concept of fact vs. opinion. Highly recommend this book for the classroom.

The Incredibly Dead Pets of Rex Dexter
by Aaron Reynolds



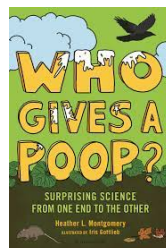
All Rex wants for his birthday is a dog; instead his parents gift him a chicken which meets a terrible demise one hour and fourteen minutes after receiving him. Rex is then cursed by a video game and now wild animals are haunting him asking him to help find out why they died.

Strong Voices: Fifteen American Speeches Worth Knowing
by Tonya Bolden



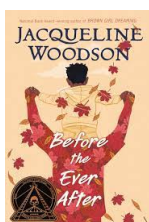
This book is a trove of speeches that chronicle important times in U.S. history. The speeches you'd expect are here: Lincoln and MLK. However, other important voices are captured as well: Red Jacket, a member of the Seneca tribe; Sojourner Truth on women's rights; Hillary Rodham Clinton on human rights; and Fannie Lou Hamer and Cesar Chavez giving voice to marginalized communities. This book is a must read for all and will provoke interesting conversations in classrooms.

Who Gives a Poop? by Heather L. Montgomery



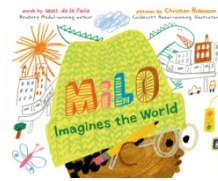
Want to know how many different words there are for poop? Poop can be fuel, saves a species, even save a life, the possibilities are amazing! This book has all the gross, engaging, and fascinating information about poop that anyone could want.

Before the Ever After by Jacqueline Woodson



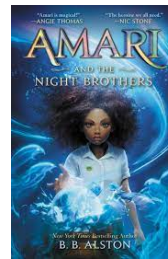
ZJ worships his father. Dad was a football star that has begun to struggle with side effects from old head injuries. ZJ works hard to keep family traditions and keep them in his dad's memories.

Milo Imagines the World by Matt de la Peña



Milo passes time on the subway by studying the faces of the other passengers and draws pictures of what he imagines their life is like in his notebook. After leaving the subway he is surprised to see the faces didn't go where he had imagined and realizes that you can't really know anybody by just looking at them. He then reimagines the pictures he drew on the subway.

Amari and the Night Brothers by B.B. Alston



After getting into trouble for standing up to bullies who said her missing brother was gone for good, Amari tries out for the Bureau of Supernatural Affairs. She is certain that this is where she will find answers about what happened to her brother. Amari faces intense scrutiny, everyone thinking she is the enemy, as well as trying to come to terms with everything supernatural being real.

Ways to Make Sunshine by Renée Watson



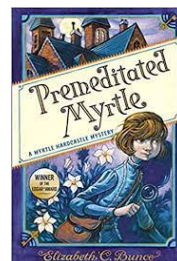
Ryan's family has been through a tough year of lost jobs, new jobs, moving to a smaller home, and even selling one of their cars. Through it all, Ryan is finding ways to bring sunshine to her life: visiting friends, creating new recipes, solving the mystery of the hairpins she found in her closet, and finding the courage to participate in the school talent show. With stand-alone chapters, this book is the perfect school read-aloud.

The List of Things That Will Not Change by Rebecca Stead



When Bea's parents get a divorce, together they help Bea make a list of things that will not change. Bea continues to add to this list as she grows and life changes. Bea learns that one thing will always remain constant, no matter what: love. Follow Bea as she grows and faces challenges in her life.

Premeditated Myrtle by Elizabeth Bunce



She's smart, precocious, forthright, logical and in search of answers. Meet Myrtle Hardcastle! A Victorian miss who knows her own mind and will solve the mystery of her neighbor's death no matter what. Read her story and join her team along with her governess, a cat, and, even, her great-aunt (who is determined that Myrtle be a Proper Young Lady).