

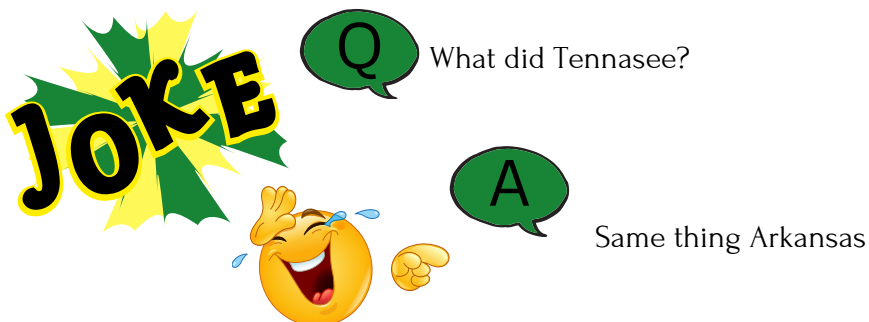
HIGHLY ANTICIPATED BOOKS THIS MONTH

This newsletter features an array of fantastic titles. Here are a few that you definitely shouldn't overlook:



CELEBRATE WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Discover engaging activities for all ages and explore inspiring stories of amazing women with curated book lists available in Sora.



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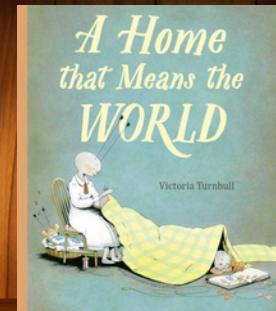
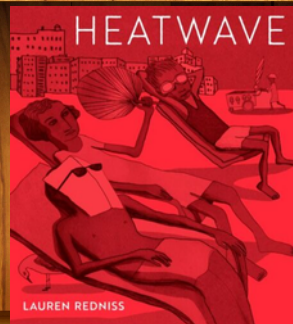
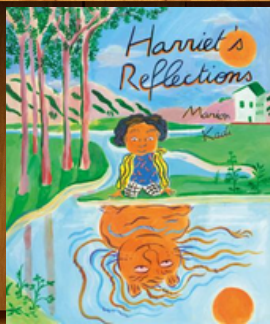
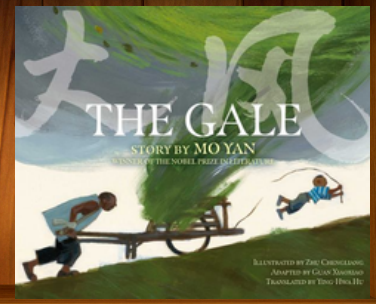
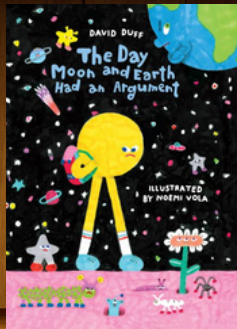
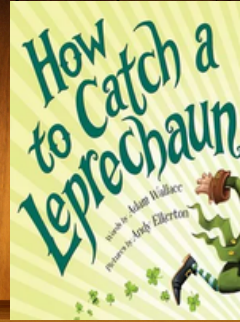
National Days in March
Library Hub

Upcoming Events

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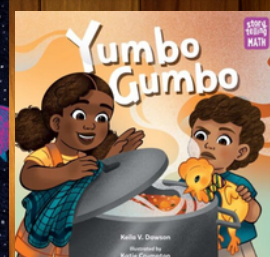
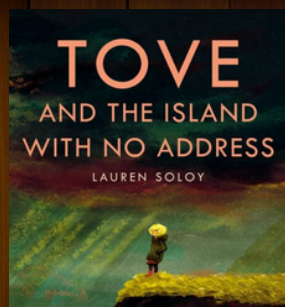
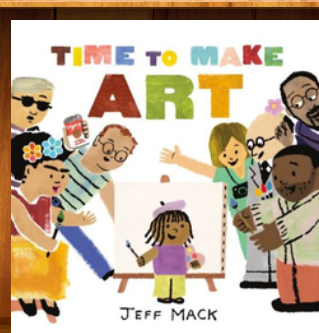
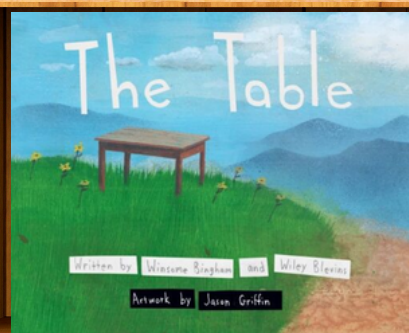
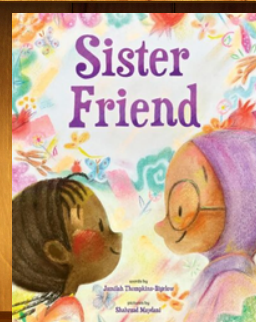
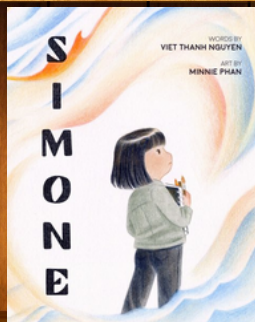
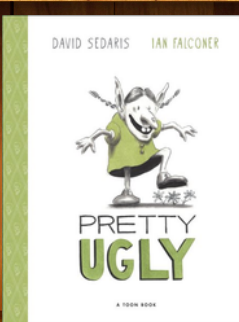
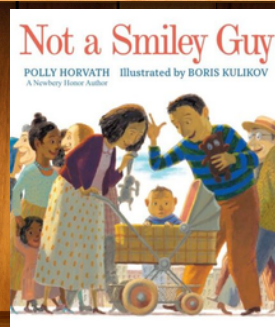
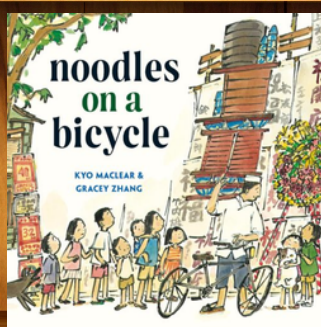
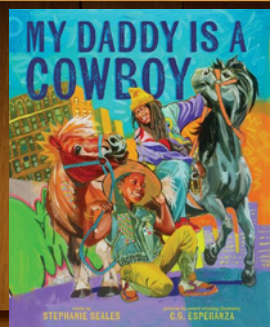
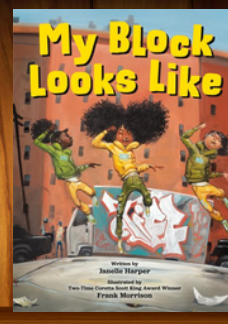
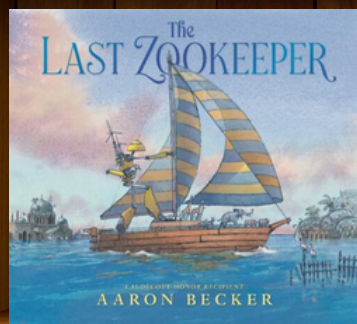
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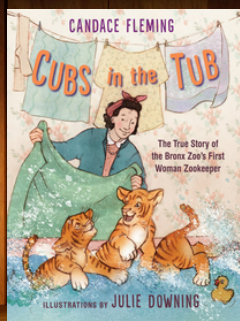
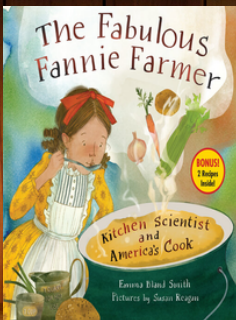
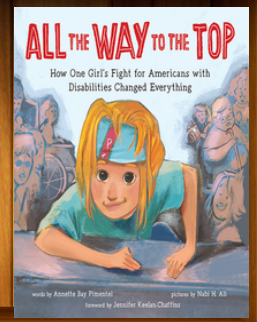
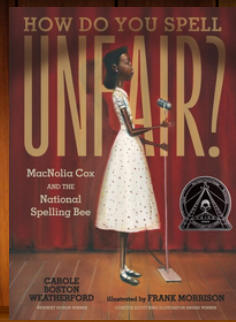
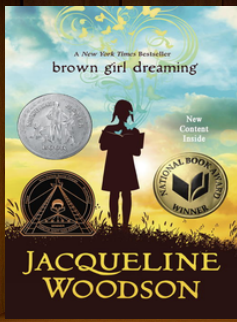
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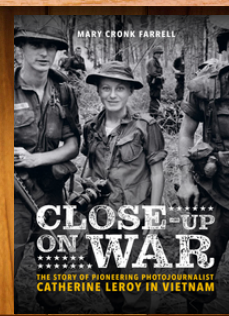
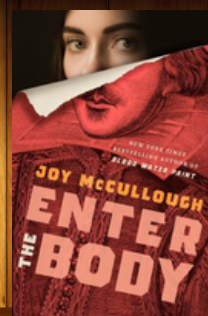
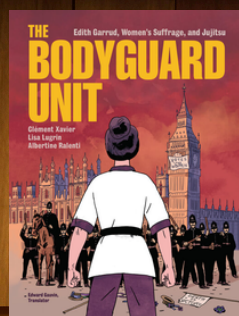
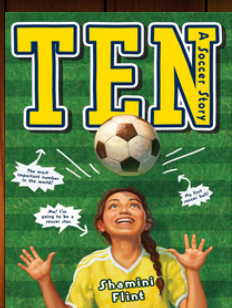
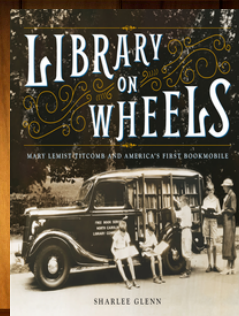
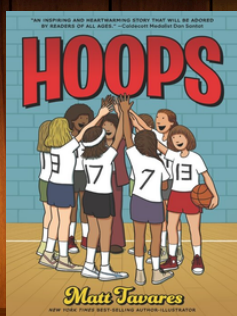
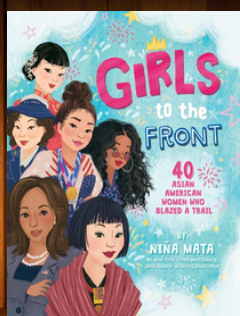
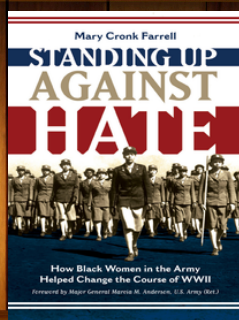
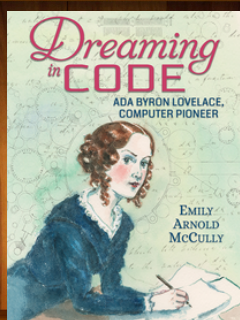
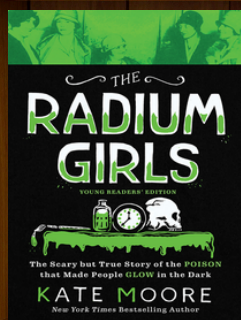
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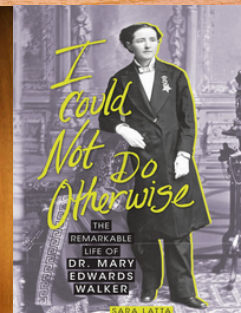
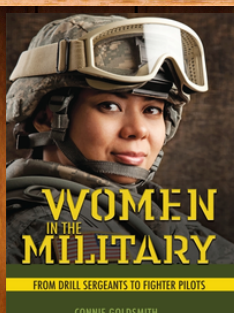
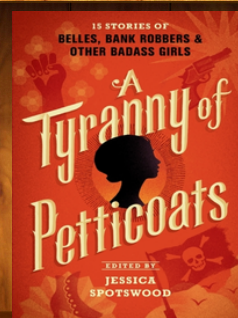
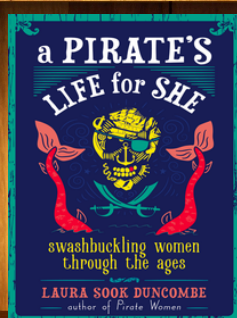
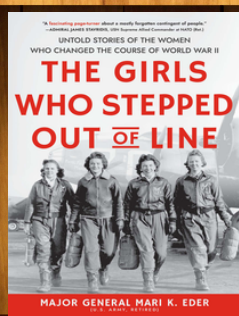
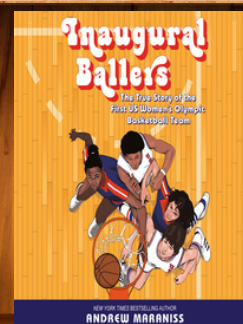
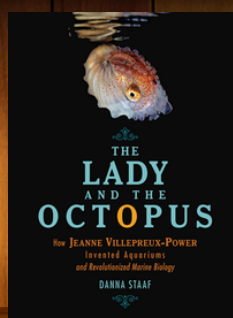
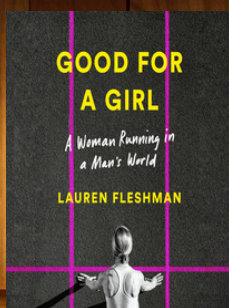
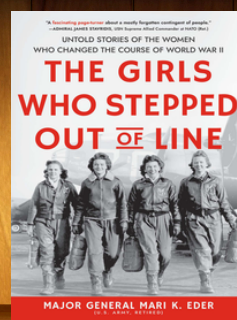
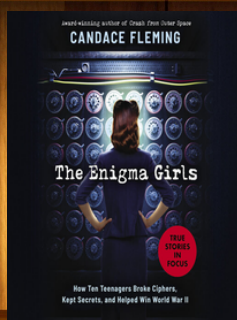
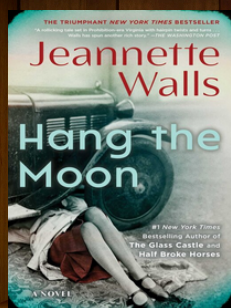
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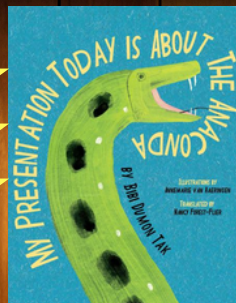
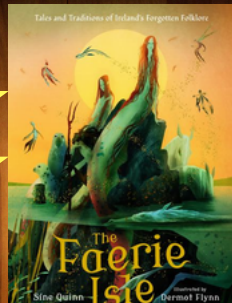
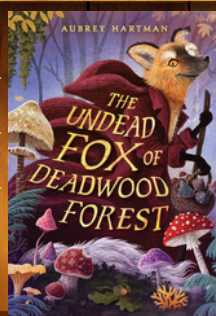
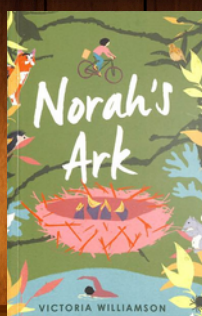
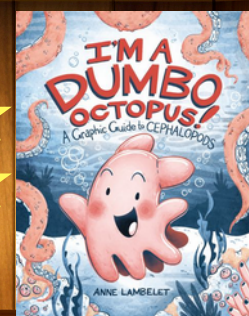
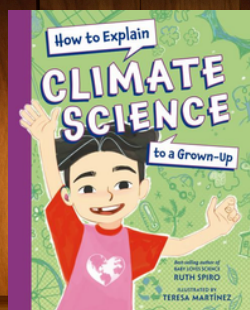
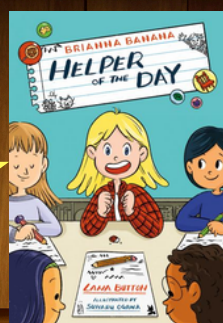
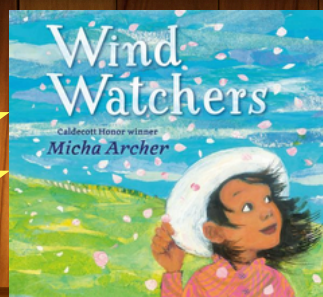
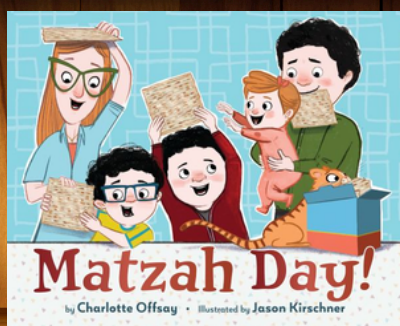
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NEW BOOKS

Elementary School

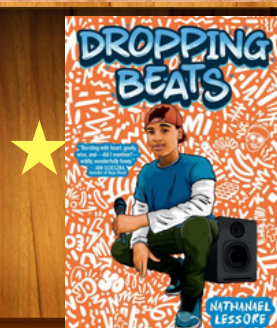
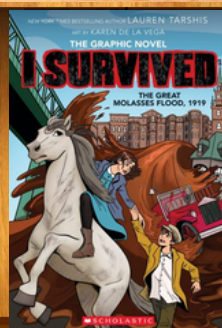
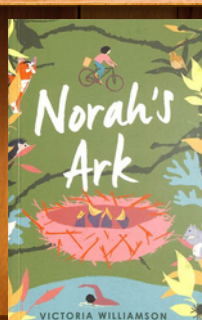
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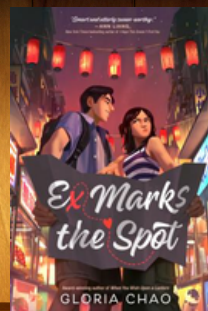
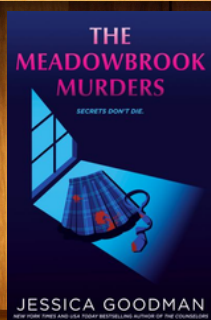
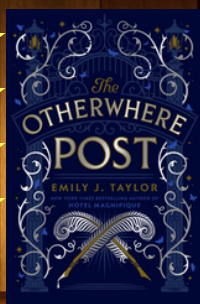
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NEW BOOKS

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SORA NEWS

BOOKS FOR SPECIFIC SUBJECTS

There is something for everyone in Sora. Here are some books that can support your curriculum such as:

Math

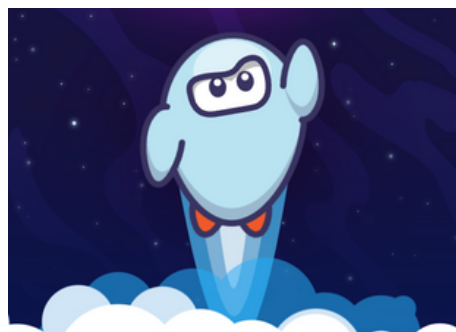


Writing






SET DAILY READING GOALS

You can now establish reading goals in Sora! This feature is entirely optional but can be beneficial in inspiring and motivating students to engage with reading. Check out this [video](#) for an explanation of how it functions.



NEW! Daily Reading Goals

-  Set a daily reading goal
-  Earn goal milestones
-  Track your progress

Set a goal

CHECK OUT YOUR SORA ACTIVITY REPORT

If you're curious about your district's performance in Sora, take a look at your stats for February:

**DISTRICT
STATS**

MARCH

Stats

7397
Checkouts

2,755.87
Total hours read

484
New titles added

1861
Unique Users

Download this flyer in English >

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SORA **READING CONTEST** **IT'S COMING!**

Students and staff who read the most minutes in Sora during the month of April, will win an

Amazon Shopping Spree!

Audiobooks count, too.

Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 readers in EACH of these categories:

- Elementary School Students
- Middle School Students
- High School Students
- Staff

12 Winners!

1st = \$40

2nd = \$30

3rd = \$20

****Each winner will email Christie, at the IMESD, the links of stuff they want from Amazon that adds up to the amount they won.***

*Prize choices from Amazon are subject to approval. It is recommended that students under 14 should make Amazon choices with adult supervision.



TIPS

OSLIS for Research

Unleash the power of OSLIS! This free research tool is available to all students and staff. Start your research journey by watching the 'How to Research' videos. This short [video](#) demonstrates how to effectively utilize these [elementary videos](#) or [secondary videos](#) with your students.



Ordering From Follett - a Book's Journey

Ever wonder about the process a book goes through once you order it?

130 Weird But True Facts

We Are Teachers has whipped up a [dazzling mix of 130 quirky yet captivating facts](#) that are perfect for snagging attention, sparking conversations, or tossing in as fun bonus questions for assignments. The possibilities are endless!



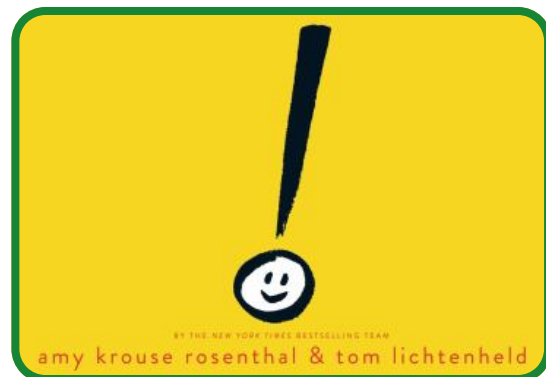
Fruit Loops are all the same flavor despite their different colors.

TIPS

Free Books for Students Grant

ELEMENTARY

Imagine the sheer joy of gifting free books to your students to take home—how awesome is that? The fabulous [Amy Krouse Rosenthal \(AKR\) Foundation](#) is here to sprinkle some magic your way. Simply fill out this [easy-peasy application](#). Who knows - you may be a winner! Ellen Lester from La Grande did it last year and scored a whopping 1000 books to spread the literary love.

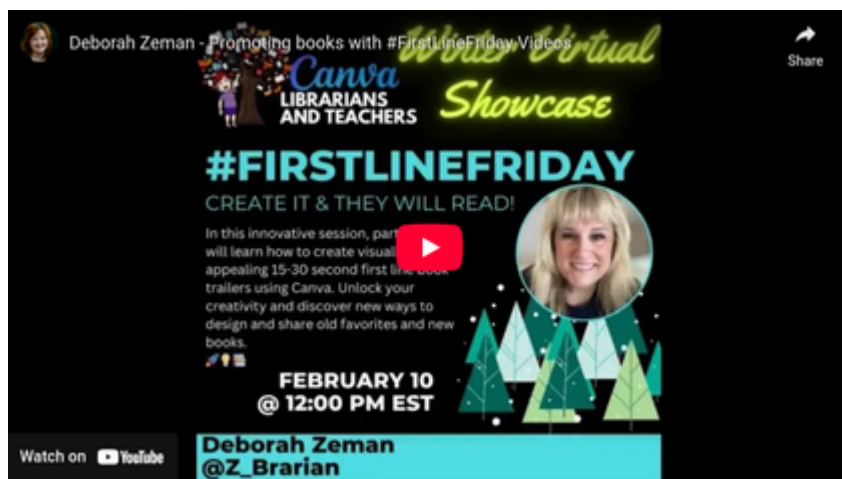


This year AKR will be donating 25,000 copies of Exclamation Mark by Amy Krouse Rosenthal and Tom Lichtenheld.

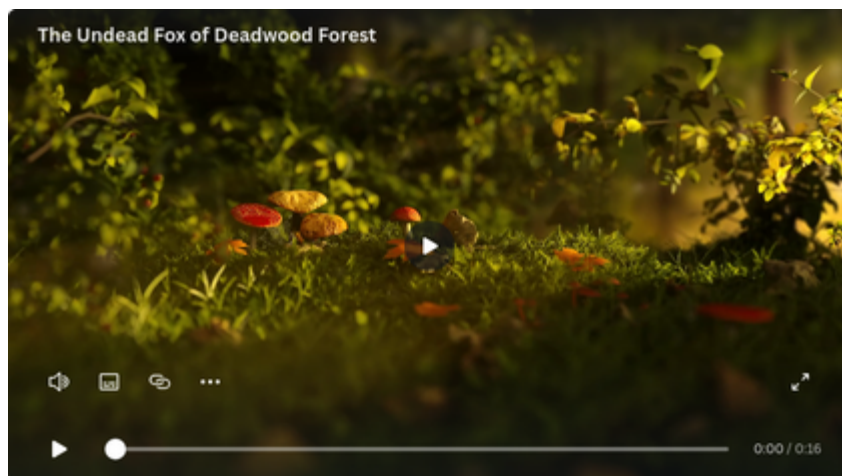
Create a Simple First Line Book Trailer

ALL GRADE LEVELS

Create a quick first line book trailer in Canva. All you need is the first line of the book and the book cover. Here is a quick video tutorial:



And here's an example of one:



IDEAS

Word of the Day

Spice up your students' vocabulary with a daily word challenge! The [New York Times](#) and [Merriam-Webster](#) both offer daily words, and Merriam-Webster even has a 2-minute Word of the Day podcast exploring each word's meaning, usage, and origin.



March Book Madness

Get your students fired up about reading with a March Book Madness tournament! Tony Keefer and Scott Jones have created ready-to-use book brackets on their [website](#). There are some good ones! Don't have the books? Substitute favorite ones you have or check Sora – many titles are likely available there.

OTHER IDEAS:



The librarian of this bulletin board is doing book characters instead of books for their bracket.



[Jennifer Lundgren](#) is combining a game of musical chairs and book bracket with her students.

Student taking a much needed break in his Heppner Elementary Library

