

Book Reviews from Mrs. Miller's Language Arts Classes:

I'm Not Who You Think I Am

By: Peg Kehret

The book *I'm not Who You Think I Am* is a great book. It has so many good details in it. It's a mystery book about a girl named Ginger doesn't know who's following her and she's bound to find out. It's a book that grabs your attention in only the first few pages. The book keeps you wanting to read more and more of the book until your done. My favorite part of the book is heading toward the middle of it. That's my favorite part because at the end of every chapter it left you wondering what's going to happen next. It's also my favorite part because when I was reading it I didn't go to sleep because it was such a great book. All of the twist and turns and the fear of not knowing when the lady will show up anytime. I would tell someone they should read this because if you like mystery book it's a perfect book for you, and even if you've never read a mystery book before then try it and I know you'll love it because Peg Kehret is a great author of many books that you should try.

Title: *After Ever After*

Author: Jordan Sonnenblick

Jeffrey Alper is a cancer survivor heading into 8th grade. On the first day his brother, Steven, flees to Africa without warning. So when he becomes friends with the new girl he has no advice from his older brother! Will Jeffery stay strong through heartbreak, tragedy, and high school? When Jeffrey meets the new girl, it's kind of funny how he's all awkward about it. Then she's just really cool about his awkwardness. It's real life problems. It will continually tug at your heartstrings. Anyone who likes *The Fault in our Stars* would enjoy this book. The two novels are fairly similar. I certainly enjoyed this book.

A Hero for Wondla

By Tony Diterlizzi

A Hero for Wondla is a different and electrifying booked based in the future. But what happens when the Earth is ruined and a new planet takes over? Weird creatures are roaming "Earth." Some are nice, but some are not. There are a lot of exhilarating battles to look forward to. Some might be tragic and sad or awesome and exciting. Others might be plain and boring. But will you win every battle you fight? This book is set far in the the future with an electrifying scientific twist to it. It is a very unique and exciting book. If you like science-fiction, then this is the book for you..

Adventure Time with Fionna & Cake

This book is not with Jake the dog and Finn the human as boys but with Cake the cat and Fionna the human as girls. Fionna and Cake embark on a journey to save their friend the Flame Prince from the evil Ice Queen. On this journey they also have help from their two friends named Prince Gumball and Marshall Lee, the vampire.

My favorite part of the book is where Fionna fights the Ice Queen for the last time. It's a very sad and meaningful part because she explains the reasons of her actions towards Fionna and Cake. It is a comic book with amazing graphics. It is not like the original Adventure Time with male characters but has all girl characters. There is a lot of action with butt kicking, gut punching and many rapid battles.

If you like Adventure Time, then this book is perfect for you. It is action packed with more adventures and battles. At the same time it teaches you a life lesson of treating others the way you want to be treated, not to steal, be kind, and helpful. It is an awesome book you all should read!

One Handed Catch

By: MJ Auch

One Handed Catch is a great book! It's about a kid named Norman. His family owns a meat market in the time of World War 2. With his strange, grotesque accident, he doesn't know if he will ever be able to achieve his dream of being a MLB (Major League Baseball) player. Especially with people being vituperative toward him. Though he won't give up of pursuing his dreams that might be crushed forever. My favorite part of the book is when Norman and his best friend Leon go to the local lake to go swimming. When he arrives he realizes that it is packed with people. As he goes down to the beach everyone is staring at him with their ugly visages because of his accident.

Its interesting how he faces and fights through the challenges with his unexpected injury. Trust me.. If you like the type of books that makes you never want to set down and stop reading... This is the book for you! I would definitely recommend this book because it's about his everyday life and all the struggles he goes through. Its also interesting on how his whole life is changed because of his life changing accident.

Familiars

By: Adam Jay Epstein, Andrew Jacobson

This is a book about magical animals on adventures. If you like magic or adventures, this is the book for you. Aldwyn a street cat wanders into a familiar store. He is taken on an adventure unlike any other. Familiars are magical animals with special powers. Read as Aldwyn joins Skylar and Gilbert on an epic adventure. In the shop there are many familiars. There are teleporting wombats, riding lizards, pocket dragons, chameleon crabs, telekinetic cats, puddle viewing frogs, shapeshifting rabbits, telepathic cats, and many more. Where do you find a book with magical animals on adventures? The answer is nowhere but here.

The Batboy

By Mike Lupica

This is a very good book about boy named Brian who's dad played in the MLB but then left Brian and his mom. Then, after Brian's dad leaves them Brian applies for the batboy job of the Detroit Tigers. But when Brian receives a letter back he finds out he's too young so a couple years later he re-applies and gets the job. Once he gets the job he has to overcome some problems that he encounters. My favorite part of this book is when Hank Bishop goes into a slump. One reason this is my favorite part is because it shows that everyone can get in a slump. Another reason it is my favorite part is because Brian is the one that helps him out of it because he notices something. One thing I think that makes this book unique is that Brian helps an MLB player do something to make him play better. Another thing that makes this book unique is that Brian's mom goes from hating baseball to liking baseball. If you like baseball then this book is for you because it talks a lot about baseball. Another reason I would recommend this book is because it gives some good examples of how everyone can go in a slump even the best of the best.

Hatchet

By Gary Paulsen

Hatchet is about a 13 year old boy whose plane crashes and has nothing but his hatchet that his mother gave him. He survives several animal attacks, makes shelter, finds food, and now has to face the deadly threat of winter... My favorite and most memorable parts are probably the time when the plane's going down. Also, I like the part with the attacks and probably the time the is shelter is being built. It tells a lot of survival skills and information. It also is one of the best outdoors wilderness books I've ever read. It's so good that after reading the first book, I am going to have to read the next four.

The One

By Kiera Cass

The One by Kiera Cass is the 3rd book of the Selection Series. You must read the first two books before you read the this one. It is a romance about a girl named America who was chosen with 34 other girls to go to the palace to compete for prince Maxon's hand in marriage. She didn't want him.....at first. You will be on the edge of your seat the whole time reading this amazing novel. One of my favorite parts is when the main character America has to face a painful problem with a bullet trying to figure out why some bad people are doing the bad things. I wish I could fill in the blanks for you, but I don't want to give anything away. This book will put you in a world like no other, it will make you want to read more. If I would recommend any book, I would recommend this one, definitely. I would recommend this book because it's amazing, it will take you to a new world full of adventure, love, and amazement. So many things will happen that will either make you burst with excitement or tears. I really hope you get the chance to reading this amazing book.