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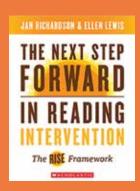
FOR EDUCATORS

The Next Step Forward in Reading Intervention

By Jan Richardson

Literacy intervention should be swift and powerful, and this approach by Jan Richardson and Ellen Lewis provides fast results! After only 6-8 weeks of intervention, students can gain the confidence, proficiency, and skills they need to excel as readers and exit intervention! Based on Jan's bestselling book, "The Next Step Forward in Guided Reading," this companion volume is intended to be used together in order to best implement the RISE framework.

"The Next Step Forward in Reading Intervention" offers intensive, short-term, targeted instruction in reading, writing, word study, and comprehension. It's a step-by-step handbook for literacy teachers, literacy coaches, and reading specialists who are looking for a proven reading invention program that really works.



FOR STUDENTS

Thank You, Mr. Panda

By Steve Antony - Ages 3-5

Generous Mr. Panda is giving away presents to all his animal friends, including a mouse, an octopus, an elephant, and a lemur, but they aren't being very grateful about the gifts they receive. It may be because the presents aren't quite right. Mouse receives a sweater that's too big, and Octopus gets six colorful socks even though he has eight legs. Fortunately, thoughtful little Lemur knows that even if the present isn't perfect, it's the thought that counts most of all.

Just as Mr. Panda introduced good manners in "Please, Mr. Panda" and the importance of being patient in "I'll Wait, Mr. Panda," "Thank You, Mr. Panda" is a graphic, kid-friendly way of teaching little ones the importance of saying "thank you" and recognizing that it's the thought that counts most of all behind every gift.



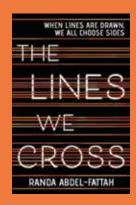
FOR STUDENTS

The Lines We Cross

By Randa Abdel-Fattah – Ages 12+

Michael likes to hang out with his friends and play with the latest graphic design software. His parents drag him to rallies held by their anti-immigrant group, which rails against the tide of refugees flooding the country. And it all makes sense to Michael. Until Mina, a beautiful girl from the other side of the protest lines, shows up at his school, and turns out to be funny, smart, and a Muslim refugee from Afghanistan. Suddenly, his parents' politics seem much more complicated. Mina has had a long and

dangerous journey fleeing her besieged home in Afghanistan, and now faces a frigid reception at her new prep school, where she is on scholarship. As tensions rise, lines are drawn. Michael has to decide where he stands. Mina has to protect herself and her family. Both have to choose what they want their world to look like.



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