

## TWICE/ASK Programs 2017 - 2018

**So sorry for the delay in getting this schedule out to you.**

**This year the CAPSpace accounts are being closed down. A new procedure is going to take place along with a new website to register for these programs. More details will follow once the website is up and running. Thank you for your patience during this time. You will be notified ASAP when registration for these programs will open. In the meantime please look at the schedule to plan your calendar for this school year.**

We are pleased to offer these fine programs to you and look forward to your participation in our TWICE/ASK interactive distance learning programs. **Please be sure to check your school calendar before registering for these programs.**

The ASK Program, (Authors Specialist, and Knowledge), provides students with the opportunity to interview an author or a knowledgeable educational specialist in the subject they are reading about in the book/novel. The program uses excellent children's literature, journal writing and interviewing via interactive video conferencing to promote reading for comprehension and understanding.

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### TWICE/ASK Information

**Cost:** \$40 for TWICE Organization Members; \$80 for non-members or individual members.

**Technology:** These programs are available via IP and SIP.

**Multipoint:** Each session is shared with up to four classes participating.

**Time Zone:** Michigan is in the Eastern Time zone and follows Daylight Savings Time. **All times on the schedule below is in EST.**

There are author websites given so that you can purchase the books directly from them. If the author does sell their own books you can request an autographed copy. And let them know you are participating in the TWICE/ASK program and you may receive a discount. But of course you can use Amazon, Ebay, Scholastic, or any other resource you may have. Please have this book and have the class read it at least 1-2 weeks before the date of the videoconference.



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### Introduction to the TWICE/ASK Program

The ASK Program, (Authors Specialist, and Knowledge), provides students with the opportunity to interview an author or a knowledgeable subject specialist in the topic they are reading about in the novel. The program uses excellent children's literature, journal writing and interviewing via interactive video conferencing to promote reading for comprehension and understanding.

### The ASK Program (Authors Specialists and Knowledge) The Literature Based Interview Process

**1. Have the students read the book.**

**2. Keep a journal.** When you have finished reading for the day, you and your students should individually write down your thoughts. Don't summarize a segment, but tell how it makes you feel. Enter the world of voice journaling.

**3. Write questions.** When you have finished reading the book and made your final journal entries, it will be time to start writing questions. Students should write the chapter and page number that corresponds with each question.

By reviewing their journal entries, the students should be able to write questions about those parts of the story that most interested them.

**The purpose of this exercise is to better understand the story in terms of:**

- what the story is about
- who the characters are, what they are like
- where the story takes place
- how the author sounds or uses words
- what the broad issues within the book are

**4. Show examples.** As the teacher, you should also write some example questions to show how it should be done.

**5.** Place the students in pairs or groups and encourage them to **select their best four questions.**

**6. Conduct a round robin elimination process.** When your students have selected their best four questions, ask each group to read their questions to the class. Eliminate duplicate questions among the groups.

**7. Revise the questions.** When the elimination process is completed, each student should have at least two unique questions to ask in the interview, one for the interview and one for a backup question in case their original question was asked by the other classes.

**8. Conduct a practice session.** Have each student stand and read his or her question in a confident manner. This is very important. This practice session will prepare the students to interview the author or specialist.

**9. Ask the questions.** On the day of the interview, introduce the author/specialist to the class. Each student should stand and ask his or her question so that the guest can see and hear the student clearly.

**\*\*\*\*\* PLEASE** listen to the questions that are asked by the other classes that you are sharing the distance learning program with. There are many "REPEATED" questions that

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are not necessary. It is up to you the teacher to have the students in your class have at least 2 questions each prepared for the program.

**10. Debrief after the interview.** Take some time after the interview to review and debrief with the students. Ask them what they learned and what they liked about the interview.

**11. Write a review of the book on Amazon or Goodreads. This can be done individually or by the whole class.**

**12. Cross-curricular extensions.** Teachers should of course relate the literature selection to other curricular areas they wish to include such as the arts, creative or expository writing, poetry, mathematics, science, sports, social studies, etc.

*Dr. Raymond P. Kettle - University of Michigan-Dearborn*

**Teachers should review the book(s) before using them with their students.** The grade level suggested is a recommendation. The teacher will need to decide if the book is appropriate for their students.

Registration information and all other correspondence will be sent via the email through Google.

**You should follow the ASK program steps** in preparing your students for this program.

Classes that follow this process do a better job with the ask questions to then students who just read the book and make up questions. These questions can contain author/specialist specific questions but please focus on the content / subject area of the book.

**How does this program correlate with the Common Core standards?**

\*\*\*\*\*The below standards are taken from the ELA Unit Framework from the “A Crosswalk to the Michigan High School ELA Unit Framework and High School Content Expectations Michigan Department of Education from the website [http://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140-28753\\_64839\\_64848-301827--,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140-28753_64839_64848-301827--,00.html)

**Below are the "Key Features" of the ELA Standards:**

- ☐ **Reading: Text complexity and the growth of comprehension**
- ☐ **Writing: Text types, responding to reading, and research**
- ☐ **Speaking and Listening: Flexible communication and collaboration**
- ☐ **Comprehension and Collaboration**
- ☐ **Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas**

**Note on range and content of student speaking and listening**

*To build a foundation for college and career readiness, students must have ample opportunities to take part in a variety of rich, structured conversations—as part of a whole class, in small groups, and with a partner. Being productive members of these conversations requires that students contribute accurate, relevant information; respond to and develop what others have said; make comparisons and contrasts; and analyze and synthesize a multitude of ideas in various domains. New technologies have broadened and expanded the role that speaking and listening play in acquiring and sharing knowledge and have tightened their link to other forms of communication. Digital texts confront students with the potential for continually updated content and dynamically changing combinations of words, graphics, images, hyperlinks, and embedded video and audio.*

[http://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140-28753\\_64839\\_38684\\_28758---,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140-28753_64839_38684_28758---,00.html)

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### **TWICE/ASK "Engineering the ABC's: How Engineers Shape Our World"** With author **Patty O'Brien Novak**

**Date:** October 16, 2017

**Session times are:**

**9:30 am until 10:30 am**

**11:00 am until 12:00 pm**

**1:00 pm until 2:00 pm**

**Grades:** 2 - 3

**Picture Book,** 32 pages

**AR Points:** N/A; **Lexile:** N/A

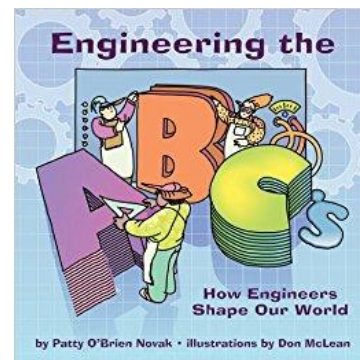
**Genre:** Non-Fiction, Informational

**Subjects:** Science, Nature, How Things Work, Engineering

**Description:** Imagine a world without cars and computers, or toys and televisions, or movies and microwaves. Then imagine a world without engineers. Engineering the ABC's answers questions about how everyday things work and how engineering relates to so many parts of a child's daily life. In an entertaining and engaging way, this book shows how engineers shape our world.

**COST:** \$40 for TWICE Regular Members; \$80 for non-members.

**You must acquire a copy of the book, the only place to obtain a book is from Mrs. O'Brien-Novak's website is** <http://www.pattyobrienovak.com/www.PattyOBrienNovak.com/Welcome.html>



### **TWICE/ASK "Miss Mingo and the Fire Drill" by Jamie Harper**

**Students will ask questions to a specialist, Fireman SGT Dean Collins from the Lenox Twp., Fire Department in Michigan.**

**Date:** October 18, 2017

**Session times are:**

**9:30 am until 10:30 am**

**11:00 am until 12:00 pm**

**1:00 pm until 2:00 pm**

**Grade:** K - 3

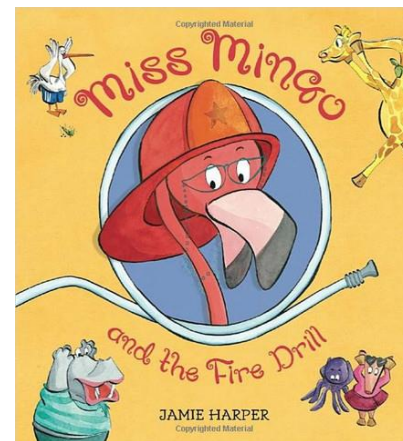
**Picture Book,** 36 pages

**AR Points:** 0.5, **AR Quiz No.** 131735 EN, **ATOS Book Level:** 3.9, **Lexile** AD710L

**Genre:** Fiction/Nonfiction Fiction

**Subjects:** Careers-Firefighter, Community Life-Safety; Humor; School-Elementary Fire Drills, Fire Safety

**Description:** "Children will love the story for its charm and rollicking fun, and the salient points will make a lasting impression. A top choice for Fire Prevention Week." School Library Journal Stop! Drop! Roll! Learning the rules of fire safety is a lot more fun (and less scary) when demonstrated by a charming and diverse group of animals. Alligator, Panda, Octopus, and the others work hard to master the rules of fire safety and perform the perfect fire drill, but thinking about fire is a bit nerve-wracking, and each of them reacts differently often with hilarious results. Sprinkled with fascinating facts about animal behavior, this second story about the characters in Miss Mingo's one-of-a-kind class is sure to appeal to readers of all stripes.



**COST:** \$40 for TWICE Regular Members; \$80 for non-members.

**You must acquire a copy of the book.** You can order this book from Amazon at <https://www.amazon.com/Miss-Mingo-Drill-Jamie-Harper/dp/0763660868> or at Scholastic <http://www.scholastic.com/teachers/book/miss-mingo-and-fire-drill#cart/cleanup>

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### **TWICE/ASK “The 3 Bears and Goldilocks” with author Margaret Willey**

**Date:** October 19, 2017

(This is a 45 minute program)

**Sessions times are:**

**9:45 – 10:30 am**

**10:45 – 11:30 am**

**Grades:** k - 2

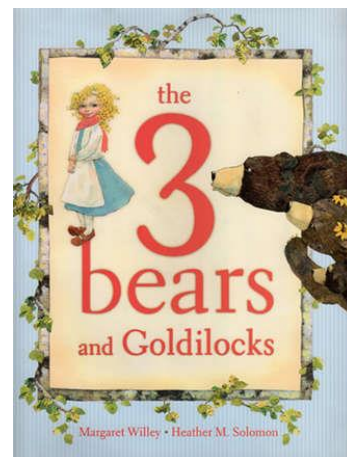
**Picture book, 32 pages**

**Genre:** Fairy Tales, Folktales, Legends, Fables

**AR Points** 0.5, **ATOS Book Level** 4.3, **AR Quiz** 125923 EN

**Subjects:** Behavior, Bears, Self-Actualization, Conduct of Life

**Description:** We all know that Goldilocks has a lot to say about the Three Bears. Everything they have is either too hot or too cold or too big or too lumpy or too hard or too soft or too completely, absolutely wrong. Only one of them can get anything right! Just right, that is. But have you ever wondered, even for the littlest mini-second, what the Three Bears think about her? Well, it turns out those bears have a thing or two, or three, to say... Join author Margaret Willey as she turns this favorite classic upside down... because there's always another side to the story.



**COST:** \$40 for TWICE Regular Members; \$80 for non-members.

**You must acquire a copy of the book,** You can purchase the book on the author's website at

[http://www.margaretwilley.com/the\\_3\\_bears\\_and\\_goldilocks\\_108352.htm](http://www.margaretwilley.com/the_3_bears_and_goldilocks_108352.htm)

### **TWICE/ASK “Writing Rules” with Janie Lynn Panagopoulos**

**Date:** October 23, 2017

**Session times are:**

**9:30 am until 10:30 am**

**11:00 am until 12:00 pm**

**1:00 pm – 2:00 pm**

**Grades:** 5 - 8

No Book, PDF, Teacher Guide will be emailed to you once you are registered

This is a writing course that teaches students how to organize their ideas of writing a story, research, resources, and bibliographies. This program should help students with school research papers and testing. <http://www.jlpanagopoulos.com/online-writing-workshop.htm>



### **TWICE/ASK “J is for Jack-O-Lantern” with author Denise Brennan-Nelson**

**Date:** October 26, 2017

**Session times are:**

**9:30 am - 10:30 am**

**11:00 am - 12:00 am**

**Grades** 3 - 6

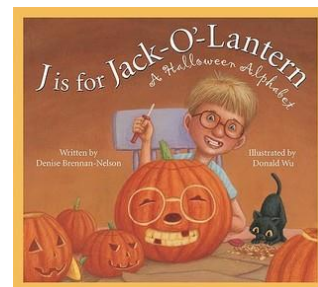
**Picture Book, 40 Pages**

**AR:** 1.0; **ATOS** 5.7; **Lexile:** N/A

**Genre:** Non-Fiction / Informational

**Subjects:** Holidays-Halloween; Lifestyle, Farm & Ranch Life

**Description:** Who lit the first jack-o'-lantern? What creature of the night must return to his grave by dawn? And why do we holler "Trick or treat"? J is for Jack-O'-Lantern: A Halloween Alphabet invites you to come along on this A-Z adventure and celebration of all things that "go bump in the night." Poetry and



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prose combine to entertain and educate. H is for Haunted House A haunted house; you better beware. Only enter if you dare. Monsters lurking, looking mean-- Just can't wait to make you scream! Classic autumn games, jokes, and recipes (including gooey deviled egg eyeballs!) help round out the Halloween festivities. Atmospheric artwork blends just enough fun with fright to provide the perfect backdrop. One of Denise Brennan-Nelson's favorite Halloween memories is of her daughters wearing homemade skunk costumes, since the girls are "Mommy's little stinkers."

COST: \$40 for TWICE Regular Members; \$80 for non-members.

**You must acquire a copy of the book.** You can purchase the book at the author's website and get the teacher activity guide to the book at <http://www.denisebrennannelson.com/j-is-for-jack-o-lantern/>  
<http://sleepingbearpress.com/shop/show/11443>

### **TWICE/ASK "Penny: The Forgotten Coin" with author Denise Brennan-Nelson**

**Date: November 6, 2017**

**Session Times are:**

**9:30 am until 10:30 am**

**11:00 am until 12:00 pm**

**1:00 pm until 2:00 pm**

Grades 4 - 8

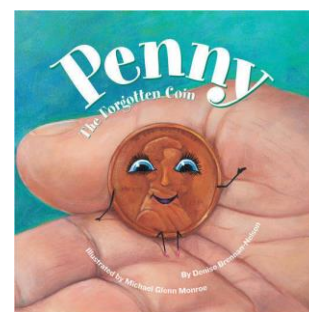
Picture Book, 32 Pages

AR: 0.5; ATOS 4.5; Lexile: N/A

Genre: Non-Fiction / Informational

Subjects: Community Life-Money; History-Misc./Other; Math

**Description:** Found by a young boy and placed into his pocket for safekeeping, Penny feels useless compared to the exciting Superball, the shiny Marble, the adventuresome Rock, and the colorful Bubblegum. But as she reminisces about her life and history, she realizes her worth, and it is reinforced by the young boy's need for her in an important decision.



COST: \$40 for TWICE Regular Members; \$80 for non-members.

**You must acquire a copy of the book.** You can purchase the book at the author's website and get the teacher activity guide to the book at <http://www.denisebrennannelson.com/j-is-for-jack-o-lantern/>  
<http://sleepingbearpress.com/shop/show/11265>

### **TWICE/ASK "Turk and Runt: A Thanksgiving Comedy" with author Lisa Wheeler**

**Date: November 20, 2017**

**Session times are:**

**9:30 am – 10:30 am**

**11:00 am – 12:00 am**

**1:00 pm – 2:00 pm**

Grades: 1 - 3

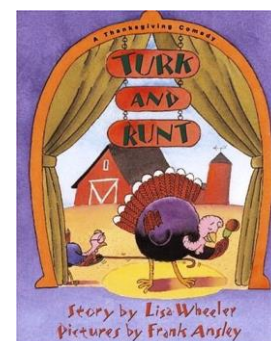
Picture Book, 32 pages

AR Points: 0.5, AR Quiz No. 65709 EN, ATOS Book Level: 2.8

Genre: Fiction; Holiday

Subject: Animals-Turkeys; Behavior; Holidays-Thanksgiving Day; Humor

**Description:** Turk's parents are proud of him, the biggest, strongest, most graceful bird at Wishbone Farm. "He's a dancer," says his mother. "He's an athlete," says his father. "He's a goner," says his little brother, Runt. But no one ever listens to Runt -- even after people with seasonal plans and roasting pans begin showing up at Wishbone Farm, or even after the juiciest turkeys



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are chosen, one by one. "Chosen for what?" Turk asks. No one wants to hear Runt's answer. But you will laugh at what he has to do to get his family's attention. They are, after all, turkeys.

COST: \$40 for TWICE Regular Members; \$80 for non-members.

**You must acquire a copy of the book,** You can purchase the book on the author's webpage at <http://www.lisawheelerbooks.com/turk.html>

### **TWICE/ASK "Don't Feed the Bully" with author Brad Tassell**

**Date: November 27, 2017**

**Session times are:**

**9:30 am - 10:30 am**

**11:00 am - 12:00 am**

**Grades 4 - 8**

**Chapter Book, 128 Pages**

**AR: N/A - Lexile: N/A**

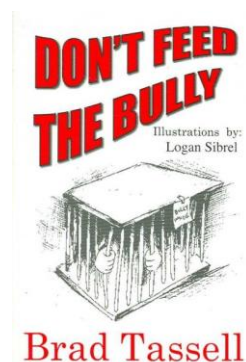
**Genre: Mysteries & Thrillers, Literature & Fiction, Action & Adventure, Humor**

**Subjects: School Life, Bullies, Detectives, Self-Improvement**

#### **Description:**

*Don't Feed the Bully* is a fictional detective story aimed at boys 10-14, although, anyone who can read will love this funny and meaningful story. Hannibal Greatneck III, detective, sixth grade student, or Handy to his friends, walks into William B. Travis elementary and finds a cage in the middle of the classroom. The school has dealt with its bully problem by handing over all the power to another bully. Handy must find the clues, outwit the villains, and return control of William B. Travis back to the students and faculty. The story is a funny one with hilarious and serious undertones, but with great purpose:

1. To get boys 10-14 to love reading by putting a book into their hands that is funny for them, plus has great lessons that they can easily understand and apply.
2. A comforting ally in their own struggle with bullying. They can see others have dealt with the problems and realities they are dealing with every day from their fear of confrontation to the ignorance and apathy of most teachers and staff.
3. To give them a few steps to master that will help quell the bully tide. Plus, more in-depth help if they and their school system wants to truly help the cause of bullying.



Website <http://www.dontfeedthebully.com/dfb.html> and a YouTube promo video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1ykGopAEPxM>

**The author, Brad Tassell has given free books for the teachers that register for this program, each teacher will receive one free book. In order for you to receive your free book please contact me at [denise@twice.cc](mailto:denise@twice.cc) with your address where I can send you the book as soon as possible so that you have time to read it and prepare the students for the program. If you participated in this program last year and have a book already please do not ask for another one.**

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### **TWICE/ASK “*Traders in Time*” with author Janie Lynn Panagopoulos**

**Date:** November 29, 2017

**Session times are:**

**9:30 am – 10:30 am**

**11:00 am - 12:00 am**

**Grades:** 3 - 6

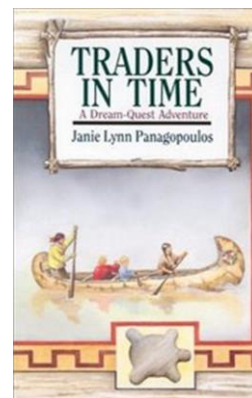
**Chapter Book, 200 pages**

**AR Points 5.0, ATOS Book Level 4.8, AR Quiz 81737 EN**

**Genre:** Realistic Fiction, Adventure, Michigan History, Historical Fiction

**Subjects:** Fur Traders, Brothers, Time Travel, Native Americans, Great Lakes

**Description:** Students love this tale of a canoe race on Lake Michigan, while teachers like the historical detail found in this story. Students will learn about fur trade and Native Americans in Michigan. This book is part of the dream quest series on Michigan History. Join author Janie Panagopoulos as she answers your students' questions about this fine book.



**COST:** \$40 for TWICE Regular Members; \$80 for non-members.

**You must acquire a copy of the book,** You can purchase a copy of the book at

<http://www.riverroadpublications.com/river-road-publications/panagopoulos/books-by-j-l-panagopoulos/>

The author's website is <http://www.jlpanagopoulos.com/>

### **TWICE/ASK “*Winters First Snowflake*” with author Cheri Hallwood**

**Date:** December 5, 2017

**Session times are:**

**9:30 am – 10:30 am**

**11:00 am – 12:00 am**

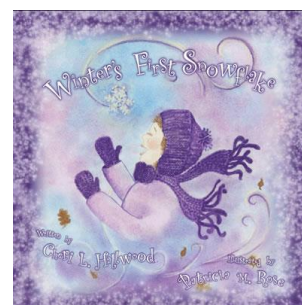
**Grades:** 1 - 3

**Picture book, 32 pages**

**Genre:** Fantasy, Tales, Informational

**Subjects:** Stories in Rhyme, Snow Flakes, Winter, Science of Snow

**Description:** A beautifully illustrated story that is sure to capture the imagination of young readers and the young-at-heart. Follow along, with author Cheri Hallwood's unique style of rhythm and rhyme, as the first snowflake of the season comes to life through the illustrator's magical blend of soft pastels. Share in the anticipation as the North Wind carries this little snowflake on a whimsical and playful journey. This delightful tale is sure to become a keepsake for all ages and a seasonal treasure.



**COST:** \$40 for TWICE Regular Members; \$80 for non-members.

**You must acquire a copy of the book,** You can purchase the book on the author's webpage at

<http://www.foreveryoungpublishers.com/index.html>

### **TWICE/ASK “*Department of Natural Resources Career Exploration*” with Educational Specialist Holly Vaughn-Joswick, Michigan DNR Communication Specialist**

**Date:** December 11, 2017

**Session Times are:**

**9:30 am until 10:30 am**

**11:00 am until 12:00 pm**

**1:00 pm until 2:00 pm**

**Grades:** 6 - 12



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### **TWICE/ASK "Michigan Chillers Mackinaw City Mummies" with author Johnathan Rand**

**Date:** December 15, 2017

**Session times are:**

**9:30 am - 10:30 am**

**11:00 am - 12:00 am**

**1:00 pm - 2:00 pm**

**Grades:** 3 - 6

**Chapter book, 215 pages**

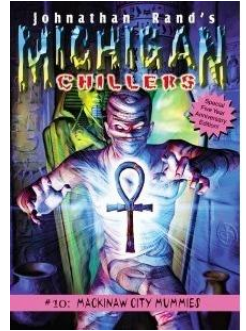
**ATOS Book Level 4.0, AR Points 2.0**

**Genre:** Fiction, Mystery, Fantasy

**Subjects:** Adventure-Danger; Animals-Dinosaurs; Horror/Thriller; Science Fiction-Time Travel, Mackinac Island

**Series:** Michigan Chillers

**Description:** After Josh and Robyn discover a mummy's tomb in the forest outside Mackinaw City, Akbar the Terrible kidnaps Robyn and brings her to his kingdom, where she will be turned into a mummy unless Josh can stop him in time.



**COST:** \$40 for TWICE Regular Members; \$80 for non-members.

**You must acquire a copy of the book,** You can purchase the book at the author's website

<http://americanchillers.com/>

### **TWICE/ASK "Scrambled States of America" with author Laurie Keller**

**Date:** January 11, 2018

**Session times are:**

**9:30 am - 10:30 am**

**11:00 am - 12:00 am**

**Grades:** 2 - 5

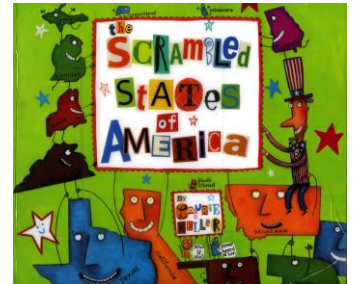
**Picture book, 40 pages**

**AR Points 0.5, ATOS Book Level 4.4, AR Quiz 31560 EN, Lexile AD510L**

**Genre:** Realistic Fiction, Fantasy, Adventure

**Subjects:** U.S. States-Geography, Picturing America, Puzzles, Comparisons

**Description:** "One day, Kansas wakes up grumpy. The other 49 states are stretching, yawning, and pouring maple syrup onto each other's pancakes, but irritable Kansas announces to his kindly neighbor Nebraska that life is dull and changes must be made. Books that claim to "make geography fun" usually have to be taken with a dose of skepticism: so often, the teaching is there and the entertainment isn't. This delightfully quirky and original book shows how it should be done." --Richard Farr. Join author/illustrator Laurie Keller for this fun filled geography lesson.



**COST:** \$40 for TWICE Regular Members; \$80 for non-members.

**You must acquire a copy of the book,** You can purchase a book and find lesson plans on the author's website at <http://www.lauriekeller.com/index.html>

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### **TWICE/ASK “Michigan Chillers: Dinosaurs Destroy Detroit” with author Johnathan Rand**

**Date:** January 24, 2018

**Session times are:**

**9:30 am - 10:30 am**

**11:00 am - 12:00 am**

**1:00 pm - 2:00 pm**

**Grades:** 3 - 6

**Chapter book,** 204 pages

**ATOS Book Level:** 4.5; **AR Points:** 3.0; **AR**

**Genre:** Fiction-Mystery

**Subjects:** Thriller-Ghosts/Spirits; **Haunted Places:** Cheboygan-Michigan; U.S. Coast Guard Cutter "Mackinaw"

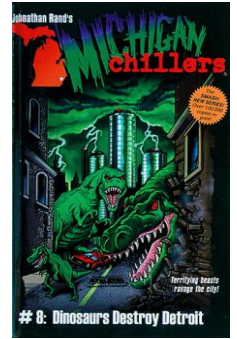
**Series:** Michigan Chiller

**Description:** Terrible Tyrannosaurs from a land time forgot! Nick and Summer discover a strange 'window' through time, traveling 65 million years back in time! Nick is sure no one will believe them, so he brings back a dinosaur egg as proof. To his amazement, the dinosaur egg hatches... and it's a baby Tyrannosaurus Rex! The dinosaur escapes and begins running around the neighborhood. Nick and Summer try desperately to find the creature. What they don't know is that other dinosaurs have travelled through the mysterious window through time. They're destroying everything in Detroit...and they won't stop until they've found their baby!

**COST:** \$40 for TWICE Regular Members; \$80 for non-members.

**You must acquire a copy of the book,** You can purchase the book at the author's website

<http://americanchillers.com/>



### **TWICE/ASK “Train to Midnight” with author Janie Lynn Panagopoulos**

**Date:** February 2, 2018

**9:30 am – 10:30 am**

**11:00 am – 12:00 am**

**1:00 pm – 2:00 pm**

**Grades:** 4 - 6

**Chapter book,** 179 pages

**AR Points** 5.0, **ATOS Book Level** 4.5, **AR Quiz** 81738 EN

**Genre:** Realistic Fiction, Adventure, Michigan History, Historical Fiction

**Subjects:** Underground Railroad, Fugitive Slaves, Slave Catchers, Family, Abolitionists, Time Travel, Traveling

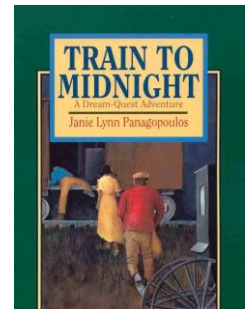
**Description:** Students will learn about life along the Underground Railroad by reading about the adventures of Malaika and her brother Sammy. The story follows these two brave youngsters as they escape slavery with the help of a Quaker couple and Daniel. The book leads them through Detroit to the Second Baptist church on Monroe. Join author Janie Panagopoulos as she answers your students' questions about the Underground Railroad.

**COST:** \$40 for TWICE Regular Members; \$80 for non-members.

**You must acquire a copy of the book,** You can purchase a copy of the book at

<http://www.riverroadpublications.com/river-road-publications/panagopoulos/books-by-j-l-panagopoulos/>

The author's website is <http://www.jlpanagopoulos.com/>



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### **TWICE/ASK "Balto and the Great Race" by Elizabeth Cody Kimmel**

Students will be asking questions to an educational specialist who is a musher from the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race Committee. Students will not be asking questions to the author.

**Date: February 6, 2018**

**9:30 am – 10:30 am**

**11:00 am – 12:00 am**

**1:00 pm – 2:00 pm**

Grades 3 - 5

Chapter book, 94 pages

AR 2.0; AR Quiz No. 31070 EN; ATOS Book Level: 6.3;

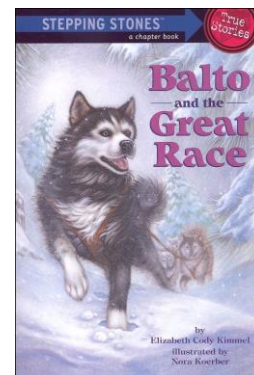
Lexile® Measure: 870L

Genre: Historical Fiction, Autobiography and Biography, Adventure

Subject: Sled Dogs, Courage, Bravery, Heroism, Disease and Illness Prevention,

Balto, Nome-Alaska, Dog Sledding, Dog Racing, Diphtheria

**Description:** It's 1925 and Balto, a Siberian husky, lives a quiet existence as a sled dog in Nome, Alaska, until tragedy strikes. Dozens of children in the remote town of Nome become sick with diphtheria. Without special medication, they will perish — and the closest supply is 650 miles away. The only way to get the medication to Nome is by sled, but can the sled dogs get there in time? Heading bravely into a brutal blizzard, Balto leads the race for life!



COST: \$40 for TWICE Regular Members; \$80 for non-members.

**You must acquire a copy of the book, "Balto and the Great Race"**

You can purchase a book and find lesson plans on the author's website at

<http://www.codykimmel.com/Balto.html>

Website for the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race Committee <http://iditarod.com/teachers/>

### **TWICE/ASK "Old Cricket" with author Lisa Wheeler**

**Date: February 12, 2018**

**Session times:**

**9:30 am – 10:30 am**

**11:00 am – 12:00 am**

Grades: 1 - 3

Picture book, 32 pages

AR Points 0.5, ATOS Book Level 4.9, AR Quiz 70113 EN, Lexile AD730L

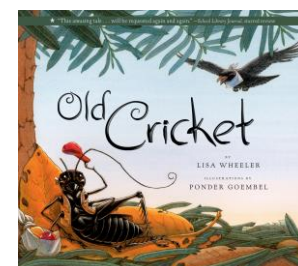
Genre: Folk Lore, Fantasy

Subjects: Crickets, Crows, Helpfulness, Behavior, Pretending, Injuries-Illness, Self-Pity

**Description:** Old Cricket didn't get to be a ripe old age "by being a dumb bug." No sir. When his wife asks him to ready their roof for the winter, he fakes a knee injury to weasel out of it. When she sends him off to Doc Hopper, he hobbles out of the house "with a creak-creak-creak in case his missus was watching." On his way, he meets up with his cousin Katydid, who needs help with some berry-picking. He fakes yet another ailment--a crick in his neck--and wobbles off "with a creak-creak-creak, and a crick-crick-crick, in case Katydid was watching." All (meaning Old Cricket's nap) would have gone according to plan, surely, if the bug didn't encounter Old Crow, a bird who didn't get to be a ripe old age "by being a birdbrain."

COST: \$40 for TWICE Regular Members; \$80 for non-members.

**You must acquire a copy of the book,** You can purchase a book and get lesson plans for the book on the author's website at <http://www.lisawheelerbooks.com/cricket.html>



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### TWICE/ASK “Donuthead” with author Sue Stauffacher

**Date:** February 15, 2018

**Session times are:**

**9:30 am - 10:30 am**

**11:00 am – 12:00 am**

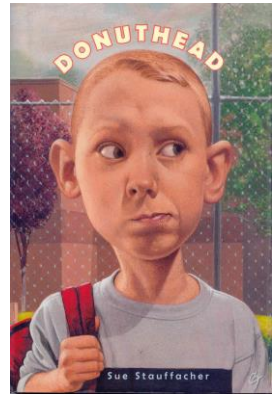
**Grades:** 3 - 5

**Chapter book,** 176 pages

**AR 6.0, ATOS Book Level 5.6, AR Quiz 74691 EN, Lexile 850L**

**Genre:** Realistic Fiction, Adventure, Action

**Subjects:** Fear, Courage, Self-Actualization, Friendship, Mothers & Sons, Single Families, Humor



**Description:** In this book Sue Stauffacher takes a stock premise--an improbable friendship between two psychologically opposite 11-year-olds--helps them both mature, adds some smartly-executed secondary characters and themes involving the importance of courage, hope, and dreams and turns it into something unique and magical. It's narrated in the pitch-perfect, painfully funny first-person voice of Franklin Delano Donuthead, a boy cursed with an unfortunate moniker, an unknown sperm-donor father, a fearful personality, and an unhealthy obsession with germs. His life, which is ruled by a philosophy of risk-avoidance, changes dramatically when Sarah Kervick, who is filthy, tough, and deeply determined, joins his class, and in a delightfully surprising turn of events is befriended and later hired by Franklin's sharply drawn baseball-loving mother. In time, the children forge an unlikely yet completely convincing alliance, enabling each to grow in ways that makes them more, as Sarah puts it, “regular.” Touching, funny, and gloriously human.

**COST:** \$40 for TWICE Regular Members; \$80 for non-members.

**You must acquire a copy of the book,** You can purchase the book and find lesson plans on the author's website at <http://suestauffacher.com/books>

### TWICE/ASK “Watch Out.... Storms Ahead! Owlle Skywarn’s Weather Book”

Students will be asking questions to an educational specialist from the South Eastern NOAA Meteorology Office in Whitelake, Michigan.

**Date:** March 14, 2018

**Session times:**

**9:30 am – 10:30 am**

**11:00 am – 12:00 am**

**Grades:** 1 - 3

**Picture book,** This is a 44-page worksheet book incorporating all the fragments of the 'Owlle Skywarn's Weather Book' series. The book includes the following chapters: Hurricanes, Tornadoes, Lightning, Floods, Winter Storms, Weather Quizzes, In addition to the quizzes already presented in the storm worksheets, the book has a few more: Weather Hazards, Weather and Weather Warnings, Fill in the Blanks, Crossword Puzzle. The book has a couple of empty pages for the notes, an answer sheet to all activities, and a resources page with some weather-related web links.



**COST:** \$40 for TWICE Regular Members; \$80 for non-members.

**You must acquire a copy of the book,** Free PDF available at

<https://www.weather.gov/media/owlle/Owlle11.pdf>

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### **TWICE/ASK "Kids Everything Weather" by Kathy Furgang**

Students will be asking questions to an educational specialist from the South Eastern NOAA Meteorology Office in Whitelake, Michigan.

**March 14, 2017**

**Session times are:**

**12:45 pm – 1:45 pm**

**2:00 pm – 3:00 pm**

Grades 3 - 8

Paperback, 64 pages

Lexile® Measure: 950L

Genre: Informational

Subject: Climate, Weather, Science & Math, Earth Sciences,

Series: National Geographic Kids: Everything Series

**Description:** Weather can be wild, freaky, and fascinating! Powerful twisters roar through homes; earthquakes shatter whole cities; hurricanes fly through towns. How does it all happen and how do we know what we do? All kids need to know about weather, and all of its power will be found in the pages of this colorful, energetic, and accessible book.

Packed with fun facts and amazing photographs, *Everything Weather* gives kids an in-depth look at these amazing natural phenomena.



COST: \$40 for TWICE Regular Members; \$80 for non-members.

**You must acquire a copy of the book, "Kid's Everything Weather"**

You can purchase a book at Amazon or at the National Geographic Store Website

<https://shop.nationalgeographic.com/category/weather/everything-weather>

National Weather Service Detroit/Pontiac, MI, website is <http://www.crh.noaa.gov/dtx/> to learn more about the educational specialists and where they work.

### **TWICE/ASK "Marine Mammal Adaptions" with an Educational Specialist from the Alaska Sealife Center. Because of the time and season difference we had to arrange special times for this program.**

(This is a 50 minute program)

**Date: March 23, 2018**

**Session Times are:**

**11:00-11:50 am**

**12:00-12:50 pm**

**1:00-1:50 pm**

Grades 1 - 4

Genre: Informational

Subjects: Animal Adaptions, Science, Nature, Alaska, Sea Lion, Seals,

Description: Discover how these mammals are able to thrive in Alaska's frigid waters by observing our own resident harbor seals and sea lions. Use the scientific method to experience and explain the function of blubber.

No book is needed for this program. PDF files will be sent to you when you register for the program.



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## TWICE/ASK Programs 2017 - 2018

### **TWICE/ASK “Do Unto Otters: A Book About Manners” with author Laurie Keller**

**Date:** April 13, 2018

**Session times are:**

**9:30 am – 10:30 am**

**11:00 am – 12:00 am**

**1:00 pm - 2:00 pm**

**Grades:** 1 - 3

**Picture book, 40 pages**

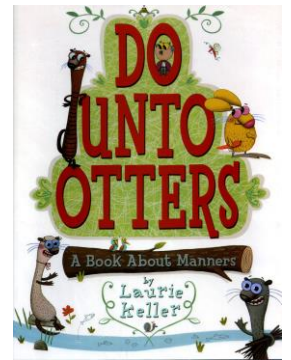
**AR Points NA - Lexile Measurement AD460L**

**Genre:** Fantasy

**Subjects:** Golden Rule, Neighborliness, Rabbits, Otters, Social Skills, Values-Morals

**Description:**

Do Unto Otters is a book of manners written and illustrated by Laurie Keller. Mr. Rabbit has new neighbors – the otters. This book delightfully explains how to be a good friend and neighbor. Join author/illustrator Laurie Keller as she answers the questions your students want to know.



**COST:** \$40 for TWICE Regular Members; \$80 for non-members.

**You must acquire a copy of the book,** You can purchase a book and find lesson plans on the author's website at <http://www.lauriekeller.com/index.html>

### **TWICE/ASK - Award Winning “Touching Spirit Bear” with Two Educational Specialists from the Macomb County, Michigan Juvenile Justice Center / Educational Institute for Juveniles**

**Date:** April 17, 2018

**Session Times Are:**

**9:30 - 10:30**

**11:00 - 12:00**

**Grades 5 - 8**

**Chapter Book, 241 Pages**

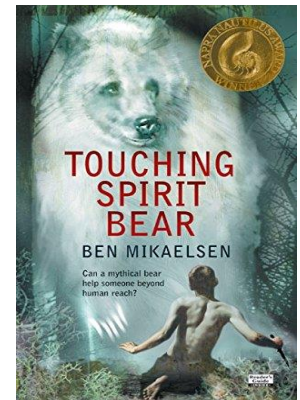
**AR: 9.0; ATOS 5.3; Lexile 730L**

**Genre:** Fiction

**Subjects:** Social Issues-Violence; Alaska-Animals; Survival; Inner Strength; Courage; Juvenile Justice: Justice Circles

**Description:** After severely injuring Peter Driscall in an empty parking lot, mischief-maker Cole Matthews is in major trouble. But instead of jail time, Cole is given another option: attend Circle Justice, an alternative program that sends juvenile offenders to a remote Alaskan Island to focus on changing their ways. Desperate to avoid prison, Cole fakes humility and agrees to go.

While there, Cole is mauled by a mysterious white bear and left for dead. Thoughts of his abusive parents, helpless Peter, and his own anger cause him to examine his actions and seek redemption—from the spirit bear that attacked him, from his victims, and from himself.



**COST:** \$40 for TWICE Regular Members; \$80 for non-members.

**You must acquire a copy of the book,** You can purchase a book and find lesson plans on the author's website at <http://www.benmikaelsen.com/tsb-cart-page>

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### **TWICE/ASK "Monster Science: Could Monsters Survive (and Thrive) in the Real World?"** With Canadian author Helaine Becker

**Date:** April 24, 2018

**Session Times Are:**

**9:30 am – 10:30 am**

**11:00 am – 12:00 am**

**1:00 pm - 2:00 pm**

Grades 3 - 5

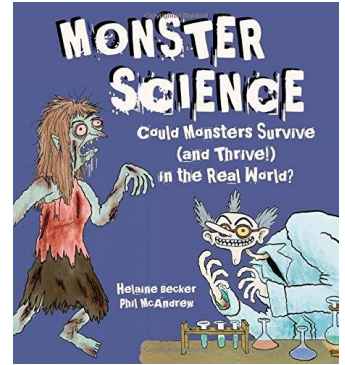
Hardcover, 96 Pages

Lexile Measurement: 960L

Genre: Informational Science

Subjects: Science, Nature & How It Work, Mysteries & Wonder, Monster, Humor

**Description:** Could monsters survive - and thrive - in the real world? Welcome to *Monster Science*, where you'll meet six of the world's most fearsome creatures and put them under the microscope to determine fact from fiction. Could monsters really exist? What science might make that possible? WARNING: what you discover might surprise - and even terrify - you! *Monster Science* gives information you need to unlock dangerous scientific secrets. Read on, if you dare. And then take the quiz at the end of each chapter to see how you would fare as a mad scientist. *Mwa ha ha!*



**COST:** \$40 for TWICE Regular Members; \$80 for non-members.

**You must acquire a copy of the book,** You can purchase a book and find lesson plans on the author's website at <http://www.helainebecker.com/AboutMonsterScience.html>

### **TWICE/ASK "Frederick the Paramedic" by Chris & Nicole Blongiewicz**

Students will ask question to a specialist, EMT-P/PEM Paramedic Gary Brown, Chief Safety Officer at the Van Buren Intermediate School District in Michigan.

**Date:** May 16, 2018

**Session times are:**

**9:30 am – 10:30 am**

**11:00 am – 12:00 am**

**1:00 pm - 2:00 pm**

Grades 2 - 4

Picture Book, 38 pages

Genre: Realistic Fiction, Informational

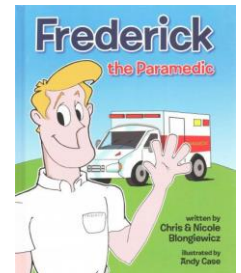
Subjects: EMS Safety Week, EMS Career/Job, Safety Education, Paramedic Education

**Description:** Have your child partner up with Frederick the Paramedic as he responds to the Skateboard Park to help a hurt skateboarder! Together they will check out their ambulance, respond to the emergency, assess and treat their patient, and transport him to the hospital!

Your Junior Paramedic will learn about safety awareness, teamwork, first aid, and what happens in a real life emergency—all while engaged in an exciting story with dynamic illustrations! By choosing common childhood activities. *Frederick the Paramedic* relates to what kids enjoy doing on a daily basis. Some of these activities may have potential for injury. Preventing injuries in the first place is one of the main goals of the book. But when they do happen, and 911 is called, your reader will understand that we are there to help. They will understand that we may need to touch their arm to make it feel better, and we aren't there to make them feel worse.

**COST:** \$40 for TWICE Regular Members; \$80 for non-members.

**You must acquire a copy of the book,** You can purchase a book and get a teacher guide from the author's website at <http://www.fredericktheparamedic.com/where-to-buy.html>



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