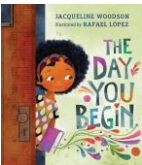

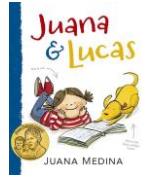


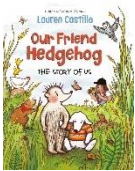
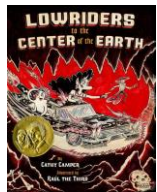

## September Book Ideas

Refer to the [TeachingBooks Literary Calendar](#) for curricular connections and birthday and holiday celebrations.


Grades	Title	Themes	Possibilities or Choose Your Own
PreK-2	 <p><b><a href="#">The Day You Begin</a></b> by Jacqueline Woodson and Rafael López</p>	Poetry   Social-Emotional Learning   Realistic Fiction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Read the book or watch the <a href="#">Complete Book Reading</a>.</li> <li>Use the <a href="#">Educator Guide</a> to facilitate discussion and learn more about each other.</li> <li>If time allows, draw pictures to share more about you.</li> <li>Learn more about the illustrator by listening to this <a href="#">Meet-the-Illustrator Recording</a>.</li> </ul>
	<p>*Also Available in Spanish</p>		
PreK-2	 <p><b><a href="#">Planting Stories: The Life of Librarian and Storyteller Pura Belpré</a></b> by Anika Aldamuy Denise and Paola Escobar</p>	Biography   Libraries   Latino (US/Canada)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prior to the lesson, listen to the <a href="#">Meet-the-Author Recording</a>.</li> <li>Tell students about the award named after Pura Belpré and encourage them to select these <a href="#">award winners</a>. Read the book or watch the <a href="#">Complete Book Reading</a>.</li> <li>Have students work in small groups to <a href="#">create their own puppets</a> to retell a story.</li> <li>Access this <a href="#">Publisher Guide</a> for more extension ideas.</li> </ul>
	<p>*Also Available in Spanish</p>		
1-5	 <p><b><a href="#">Juana &amp; Lucas</a></b> by Juana Medina</p>	Realistic Fiction   School   Latino (Latin America)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Listen to the <a href="#">Meet-the-Author Recording</a> and use Google Translation for English or Spanish as you wish.</li> <li>Use <a href="#">Google Preview</a> to read a section of the book together. Predict what will happen next, or have students write their own ending for the story.</li> <li>Choose from the <a href="#">Activity Guides</a> for more ideas.</li> <li>Let students know there is a <a href="#">sequel</a>.</li> </ul>

## September Lesson Ideas

Literary highlights and extensions for the month of September

Grades	Title	Themes	Possibilities or Choose Your Own
1-5	 <p><b><u><a href="#">Our Friend Hedgehog: The Story of Us</a></u></b> by Lauren Castillo</p>	Adventure   Friendship   Early Chapter Book	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Watch the <a href="#">Video Book Trailer</a> and then watch the <a href="#">TXLA book reading</a> featuring the author.</li> <li>• Use <a href="#">Google Preview</a> to read the first chapter.</li> <li>• Practice fluency by performing the <a href="#">Readers Theater Script</a>.</li> <li>• Extend your lesson using the activity sheets or other ideas under <a href="#">Book Guides, Activities, and Lessons</a>.</li> </ul>
4-8	 <p><b><u><a href="#">Lowriders to the Center of the Earth</a></u></b> by Cathy Camper and Raúl Gonzalez, III</p>	Science Fiction/Fantasy   Graphic Novels   Latino (US/Canada)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Listen to the Name Pronunciations for <a href="#">Cathy Camper</a> and <a href="#">Raúl Gonzalez, III</a>.</li> <li>• Use the <a href="#">Meet-the-Author Recording</a> and explore the illustration on this page.</li> <li>• Create a graphic novel spread by using the <a href="#">Activity Kit</a>.</li> <li>• Students can create a graphic novel spread to illustrate a moment in their life or a scene from a favorite book they have read.</li> </ul>
	 <p><b><u><a href="#">Ruby in the Sky</a></u></b> by Jeanne Zulick Ferruolo</p>	Realistic Fiction   Social-Emotional Learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read Chapter 1 aloud from the <a href="#">Google Preview</a>.</li> <li>• What emotions do you think Ruby felt in this scene? What do you think it means to be brave?</li> <li>• Listen to this <a href="#">Meet-The-Author Recording</a>. What was the author's purpose for writing the book? What was her inspiration?</li> <li>• Encourage students to complete the puzzle of the cover.</li> </ul>

## September Author Study Ideas

<p><a href="#">Pam Muñoz Ryan: Author Study</a></p> 	PreK-2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Play the pronunciations of the <a href="#">author</a> and <a href="#">illustrator</a> of <i>Mice and Beans</i>.</li> <li>• Read aloud <i>Mice and Beans</i> or another of Ryan's picture books.</li> <li>• Follow the <a href="#">Lesson Plan</a> from Reading to Kids for other lesson ideas.</li> </ul>
	1-5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduce the author by playing the <a href="#">Author Name Pronunciation</a>.</li> <li>• Play the Main <a href="#">Meet-the-Author Movie</a> to learn about the kind of books she writes.</li> <li>• Allow students to choose one of <a href="#">Ryan's books</a> and write or talk about how she hooks them in the first few pages. Utilize Google Preview so that everyone has access to a book's beginning pages.</li> </ul>
	4-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Explore the author page for <a href="#">Pam Muñoz Ryan</a> to learn about her and her work.</li> <li>• Play the <a href="#">Meet-the-Author Movie   Writing Historical Fiction</a>.</li> <li>• Explain how an author page works. Talk about the Meet-the-Author Recordings, name pronunciations, author websites, and interviews.</li> </ul>