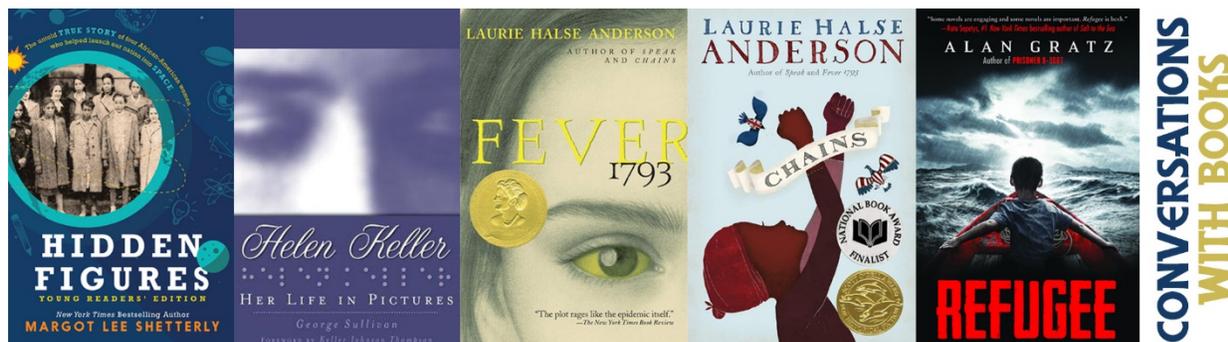


2021 Writing Contest



Use the prompts below or discuss the themes in a book of your choice. Be as specific as possible and include various real-life examples to back up your responses. We want to learn about you, so include information that effectively showcases your personality, writing style, and experiences! The writing piece you submit can be any length. You can write a few paragraphs, a short essay, or even multiple essays. We look forward to reading your work

Writing Prompts

***Chains* by Laurie Halse Anderson**

This is the story of an African American slave fighting for her and her younger sister's freedom. Have you ever had to "fight" for something that is important to you? Tell us about it.

***Refugee* by Alan Gratz**

This is the story of three brave people who leave their home country in search of a better life. What would you do, or what have you done, to make a better life?

***Fever 1793* by Laurie Halse Anderson**

In this story we see how an epidemic can bring out the best and worst in people. What has it been like for you to live through the Covid-19 pandemic? What good or bad things have you noticed?

***Helen Keller* by George Sullivan**

Helen Keller led a remarkable life and fought for people with disabilities to have better lives. What have you overcome in your life and how have you helped people who need extra help?

***Hidden Figures* by Margot Lee Shetterly**

Even though the women in this story face prejudice, they do amazing work at NASA. Have you ever faced discrimination or been the first in your family or town to accomplish something? What was it like?