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Franklin's Valentines

By: Paulet Bourgeois
Reviewed By: Nefertari Francis
3-209

This book is about a boy named Franklin. He lost his Valentines for his friends at school.

My favorite part is when Franklin's friends gave him valentines because he lost his cards.



I'll recommend this book because it teaches me that when somebody gives you something you should give them something back in return.

Franklin and the Baby - Sitter

By: Sharon Jennings
Reviewed By: Kalia Ogden
3-209

Franklin's parents were going out, and his Grandma was sick. Mrs. Muskrat was to be the babysitter. When she arrived they made a brussel sprout soup and their favorite dessert, fudge. Franklin turned on the radio, she put Harriet to sleep, and saw Franklin shivering and shaking. The story was too scary for him. His parents arrived home, and Mrs. Muskrat left.

My favorite part of the story is when Franklin's parents came home. They saw Mrs. Muskrat and Franklin sipping hot chocolate with popcorn. They were working on their third puzzle.

I would recommend this book because it is important to always tell the truth and not lie.



The Counterfeit Son

By: Elaine Marie Alphin
Reviewed By: Balfour Thompson
6-512

The counterfeit Son is about a boy named Cameron Miller, whose father was a murderer. In the story, Cameron's father, Hank, is killed in a shoot-out.

Cameron changes identity with one of his father's victims. Life is good for a while until someone comes along who has the power to change his life back into the nightmare it was.

My favorite part of the book is when Cameron meets with his new family. He experiences love and compassionate feelings for the first time! This was a bitter sweet moment for me because Cameron was never able to experience these feelings with his natural father.

I enjoyed reading this book because it was a thriller and hard to put down but I would not recommend it for the fainthearted.



Bookstore hours
Thursday - 7:45 - 8:15

♥ Happy Valentine's Day to all our readers. ♥

Christmas Trees

By: Robert Frost

Reviewed By: Rachel Pierre
2-310

Someone wanted to buy one thousand Christmas trees for thirty dollars from a man who owned them. The man refused because the money was not enough.

My favorite part is when the man realized that it's only three cents a piece and said it was worth more than that.



I would recommend this book because it is simple and easy to understand.

Wendy's Big Game

By: Diane Redmond

Reviewed By: Amanda Blackman
3-209

This book is about Wendy making a soccer field. Wendy went to get some of her friends to help her finish in time to play a game. Also her friend Bob entered the brightest Building Competition. When Bob told Wendy that the judges left, Bob held up a reward that he won from the Brightest Building Competition.

My favorite part of the book was when Spud kicked the ball and when Wendy made a mess. Because Spud kicked the ball he had to clean up the mess. He did.



I think the book has colorful pictures, interesting characters that are machines and one scarecrow. I also think that the book has interesting names like Scoop, Muck, Dizzy, Raley, Spud and Pilehard.

Me First

By: Helen Lester

Reviewed By: Kalia Ogden
3-209

This story is about a pink, plump, and pushy pig named Pinkerton, who always wanted to be first in everything. One Saturday, Pinkerton's pig scout troop went on a day

trip to the beach. As they marched across the sand, they heard a faint voice call out, "who would care for a sandwich." "Me first" he



thought coming face to face with a small creature. "A sandwich." The creature taught him a lesson about being first by giving him all of her chores. Pinkerton learned a very important lesson, that being first was not always best.

My favorite character is the Sandwich because she taught Pinkerton a lesson. Being first wasn't always best.

I think this book is good, because it teaches you a very important lesson that being first is not always best. Others should get a

chance. Also think before you act out.

Journey To The Impossible Island

By: Tracy West

Reviewed By: Gabrielle Clarke
3-401

Journey to the Impossible Island is about Samuri Jack and his friends Mai, Tai and Layla. Jack wants to get back to his homeland. So he can protect his homeland but Aku is in Jack's way. Jack needs to get to Tiempo Island to travel back in time.

My favorite character of this is Layla. I like Layla because she is nice, beautiful, and is also very certain about Mai, Tai, and Jack. And she keeps a promise.

I think this book is magnificent! Because it takes me to a paradise island where you could enjoy yourself, and ride the waves with bonzer fish.