

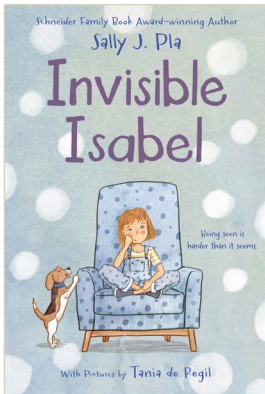
# September Lesson Ideas (Elementary)

Literary highlights and extensions for the month of September



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## Book Ideas

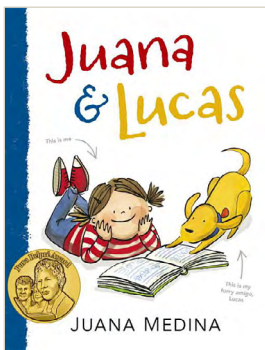


### Invisible Isabel

by [Sally J. Pla](#) and [Tania de Regil](#)

Themes: Realistic Fiction | Family Life | Disability

- Read the author's [Virtual Book Tour Blog Post](#) to learn more about the inspiration for *Invisible Isabel*.
- Listen to the [audiobook excerpt](#) and invite your students to journal about their own "testing" feelings and experiences.
- Share important vocabulary with a [word search](#) and facilitate discussion of new words with [Vocabulary Graphic Organizers](#).
- Use this [Invitation to Imagination Activity](#) as a writing and drawing prompt.



### Juana & Lucas

by [Juana Medina](#)

[Also available in Spanish](#)

Themes: Realistic Fiction | School | Latino (Latin America)

- Build your lesson with ideas from this [guide](#) that includes activities for multiple grade levels.
- Hear the author introduce the book in Spanish and then read aloud from Chapter 1 in this [Meet-the-Author Recording](#).
- Use the [ebook preview](#) and ask readers, "What do the images and text tell us about the character?" "What do you still want to know?"
- Choose from the [activity guides](#) for more lesson ideas.

## Author Study Ideas



### Pam Muñoz Ryan

- Introduce the author by playing the [Audio Name Pronunciation](#).
- Play the first [Meet-the-Author Movie](#) to learn why she writes so many different genres of books.
- Invite students to choose two more [titles](#) by the author so they can compare the ways she hooks readers in the first few pages. Utilize ebook previews so that everyone has access to the beginning pages.
- Use the share tool to create a shelf card for the [author](#) to add to book baskets, displays, or shelves.

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