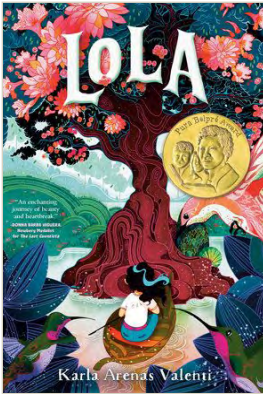


# September Lesson Ideas (Middle)

Literary highlights and extensions for the month of September



## Book Ideas

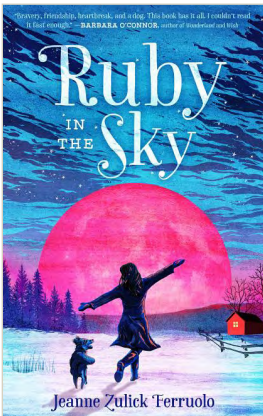


### Lola

by [Karla Arenas Valenti](#)

Themes: Latino (Latin America) | Siblings | Mythology

- View this [reading guide](#) to identify questions and writing prompts for discussion or independent work.
- Listen to the [Meet-the-Author Recording](#) of *Lola* to learn the author's inspiration and intention for the book.
- Utilize [Vocabulary Graphic Organizers](#) to increase word knowledge, solidify meaning, and promote reading comprehension.
- Use the [ebook preview](#) to introduce students to the characteristics of magical realism.



### Ruby in the Sky

by [Jeanne Zwick Ferruolo](#)

Themes: Realistic Fiction | Social-Emotional Learning | Friendship

- Learn about the author's purpose and inspiration in this [Meet-the-Author Recording](#).
- Support the varied learning styles of your readers by both displaying and reading aloud from the [ebook preview](#).
- Invite readers to share what they learned about Ruby.
- Encourage students to complete the [jigsaw puzzle](#) of the cover. Note that they can complete a puzzle for any book on TeachingBooks.

## Author Study Ideas



### Pam Muñoz Ryan

- Explore the author page to build your background about [Pam Muñoz Ryan](#). Learn about her and her work when planning this author study.
- Play the first [Meet-the-Author Movie](#) to learn directly from the author.
- Invite readers to choose [two author interviews](#) of different formats and compare what they learn.
- Use the share tool to create a shelf card for the [author](#) to add to book baskets, displays, or shelves.

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