

BOOK TALKS WITH BOOKPEOPLE

To schedule a book talk or find out more about the program, contact: **Topher Bradfield**, **kids_outreach (at) bookpeople.com**, 619-865-3391 voice/text.

BOOK TALK FAQs:

What is a book talk?

Book talks are an exciting, interactive way to build your students' love of reading. Covering a handful of age-appropriate titles for your audience, book talks give kids a little window into what makes each featured book fun, exciting, and interesting to read. Book talks typically feature a mix of discussion and performance that delight avid and reluctant readers alike.

Who does the book talk?

Going into schools on a weekly basis, our Kids Outreach Coordinator **Topher Bradfield** visits classrooms at over 80 Austin area schools each semester to talk about some of BookPeople's favorite new books. Topher also runs our Literary Camps program, and where Topher goes, whimsy, magic, a little bit of mayhem, and an irrepressible love of reading are sure to follow!

What books are talked about?

While he often has a core list of books he talks about for each school semester, Topher presents to students of all ages and reading levels and customizes his book talks to meet the interests and reading level of each school and each audience.

Where should a book talk take place?

- In-school book talks: You can have Topher come to individual classrooms or to the library or cafeteria. He does not need AV equipment unless the space requires a microphone.
- In-store book talks: Some schools choose to bring groups of students to BookPeople for book talks in one of our event spaces. After the presentation, we can help kids pick out good books for themselves. Find out more about store field trips by contacting Meghan Goel at [kids_buyer \(at\) bookpeople.com](mailto:kids_buyer@bookpeople.com)

How much time is needed for a book talk?

- Book talks can be tailored to your school's needs. Book talk appointments can range from a single session for a large group or multiple sessions spread out over a day or two.

How much does a book talk cost?

- In-school book talks are FREE, no strings attached! If you would like to offer your students the opportunity to order copies of the books they hear about, we are happy to provide an order form and facilitate sales.

- If you opt for an instore talk, we encourage you to purchase gift cards in advance for students to use while they're here.