

(PSSSTTT: look for pink tape on spines) Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_.

## Mr. Hunt's Reading Extravaganza Challenge # 46 :

### Junior Political Awareness/Activism List

**Special Note:** kids are often deeply concerned about social justice issues and the protection of animals and the environment. This list honours that valuable interest, and perhaps will open a deeper awareness of the issues. A great list to spur on important discussions at home. **See also:** the gender role stereotypes list.

\*To complete this challenge you may want to get books from the public library as well as the school library...multiple kids may be working on these books and we don't always have multiple copies.

**YOU CAN READ THE BOOKS IN ANY ORDER**...you don't have to start at #1 and go down...

***If you complete this challenge, and get this form fully filled in, and get your parent/guardian's signature,*** you will be able to come the Library to choose one free **REWARD BOOK** to keep for your own collection.

Students are allowed and encouraged to work on more than one Challenge...keep on reading!

#	TITLE of book...	Call number (where in Library)	Adult witness (initials)
1.	<i>"A" is for Activist</i> , by Inosanto Nagara The alliteration, rhyming, and vibrant illustrations make the book exciting for children, while the issues it brings up resonate with their parents' values of community, equality, and justice.	<b>A,B,C shelf</b>	
2.	<i>Look Where We Live! A First Book of Community-Building</i> , by Scot Ritchie Five kids spend the day traveling around their neighborhood and participating in activities designed to raise money for their local library. Along the way, they learn about the people and places that make up their community and what it means to be a part of one.	<b>307 RIT</b>	

3.	<i>Reach Out and Give</i> , Cheri J. Meiners Simple words and illustrations encourage children to do their part to make the world a better place, focusing on the concept of gratitude.	<b>PIC MEI</b>	
4.	<i>Work, Work, and More Work</i> , by Linda Little "What's it like in the town?" Tom asks. "It's the same everywhere," his mother and father tell him, "just work and more work." Determined to find out for himself, Tom sets off with a bit of bread and cheese in a bundle. His curiosity takes him from the town to the city to the sea, and each place he goes, he discovers all kinds of work and all kinds of wonders"	<b>PIC LIT</b>	
5.	<i>10 Things I Can Do to Help My World...</i> , by Melanie Walsh Simple text and die-cut illustrations describe ten ways children can help the environment, such as turning the water off when they brush their teeth...		
6.	<i>Mimi's Village and How Basic Health Care Transformed It</i> , by Katie Smith Milway. A young girl living in an African village witnesses the benefits of basic health care in her community.	<b>Multi-cultural shelf</b>	
7.	<i>Worksong</i> , by Gary Paulsen Illustrations and rhyming text depict people doing all kinds of work. A celebration of our labour.	<b>PIC PAU</b>	
8.	Children's explanations of environmentalist <b>Rachel Carson</b> 's 1964 work in which she discusses the importance of instilling children with a love and appreciation for the world around them. <i>Rachel Carson: Preserving a Sense of Wonder</i>	<b>333.95 CAR</b>	
9.	<i>The Sense of Wonder</i>	<b>508 CAR</b>	
10.	<i>Viola Desmond Won't Be Budged</i> , by Jody Nyasha Warner An illustrated account of <b>Viola</b> Desmond's stand against unfair treatment after she refused to move from the main floor to the balcony at a movie theater because she was of African descent.	<b>PIC WAR</b>	

11.	<p><i>Red: A Crayon's Story</i>, by Michael Hall</p> <p>Red's factory-applied label clearly says that he is red, but despite the best efforts of his teacher, fellow crayons and art supplies, and family members, he cannot seem to do anything right until a new friend offers a fresh perspective.</p>	PIC HAL	
12.	<p><i>Brave Girl: Clara and the Shirtwaist Makers' Strike of 1909</i>, by Michelle Markel</p> <p>The true story of Clara Lemlich, a young Ukrainian immigrant who led the largest strike of women workers in U.S. Clara learned that everyone deserved a fair chance. That you had to stand together and fight for what you wanted. And, most importantly, that you could do anything you put your mind to.</p>		
13.	<p><i>If the World Were a Village: A Book About the World's People</i>, by David J. Smith</p> <p>Breaks down the population of the world into a collection of one hundred representative people and describes what one would find in this global village, covering languages, ages, religions, food, air and water, schooling, and possessions, accompanied by vivid color illustrations.</p>	Multi-cultural shelf	
14.	<p><i>A School Like Mine...</i>, by Penny Smith</p> <p>Examines the similarities and differences between schools and students in various parts of the world.</p>	Multi-cultural shelf	
15.	<p>Two short stories about residential schools in Canada:</p> <p><i>Shi-shi-etko</i></p> <p>and</p> <p><i>Shin-chi's Canoe</i>, by Nicola Campbell</p>	FN/Ab. Stories shelf	
16.	<p><i>Heather Has Two Mommies</i>, Leslea Newman</p> <p>Heather, feeling bad because she has two mothers and no father, soon learns that the other children in her play group have lots of different kinds of families and the most important thing is that all the people love each other.</p>	PIC NEW	
17.	<p><i>We Are All Born Free: The Universal Declaration of Human Rights in Pictures</i></p> <p>An illustrated introduction to the Universal Declaration of <b>Human Rights</b>, which was established following World War II,</p>	Multi-cultural shelf	

	including thirty articles that declare the basic <b>rights</b> for all of humanity as compiled by the United Nations.		
18.	<i>These Hands</i> , by Margaret H. Mason An African American man tells his grandson about a time when, despite all the wonderful things his <b>hands</b> could do, they could not touch bread at the Wonder Bread factory. Based on stories of bakery union workers; includes historical note.	<b>PIC MAS</b>	
19.	<i>What the World Eats</i> , by Peter Menzel A collection of photographs depicting twenty-five families from twenty-one different countries, and also describes the cost of a week's worth of food, and other cultural information for each listed country.	<b>Multi- cultural shelf</b>	
20.	<i>This Child, Every Child: A book About the World's Children</i> , by David J. Smith Looks at how children live in countries around the world, discusses whether their basic needs for clean air and water, adequate food, health care, and education are being met, and shares stories of individual children.	<b>Multi- cultural shelf</b>	

**Please Note:** the books on this list are in no particular order...just great books that I wrote down as they popped into my head...

**Hot Tip:** if you like any particular book on this list, then do an author search on a library database—there will be more fabulous books by that author!

**DON'T FORGET TO GET...**

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_