

# What Educators and Students Are Saying About Teresa's Books and School Visits

"Teresa Funke is a compelling storyteller and dynamic speaker. Her assembly made history come alive for our students. She easily shifted topics as she noticed increased curiosity or interest in related themes and helped our students to relate inquiry and research to fictional writing. Our students were riveted to their seats and eager to read her books after hearing her speak!"

**Martha Petty**, *media specialist, elementary school*

"One of my "reluctant readers" bought copies of two of your books after your talk and finished one over the weekend. She was SO excited to talk about it! We are all now doing an interview assignment with our grandparents in my class and the kids are having a blast! Thank you for inspiring us all!"

**Andrea Tomlinson**, *fourth grade teacher*

"The learning my students received from your books and talk continued throughout the year. Months after we read the book, we were doing a timeline of history that was supposed to end at the Civil War, but the kids threw in World War II. They started talking again about your books and they remembered so much!! It was awesome! Thanks again for writing books that are interesting for kids and teach them about World War III!"

**Amy Nicholl**, *fifth grade teacher*

"The junior high students truly enjoyed Teresa's motivating talk. And many commented they loved her book. She has inspired many of us here."

**Joanna L. Keiss**, *Librarian, St. Joseph School*

"The kids learned SO much from Teresa about writing and WWII. They were even able to make connections between that war and others!"

**Jill Fenn**, *fifth grade teacher, McGraw Elementary*

"It was amazing to me how interested I became in what you were saying. I can honestly say that was the quietest I've ever seen the seventh and eighth grade classes!"

**Julie Caito**, *middle school teacher*

"I read your book in one day. I could not put it down. And you really are a wonderful speaker."

**Julian**, *middle school*

"Your presentation inspired me to read and write more."

**Kara**, *middle school*

"Thank you for coming to our class and talking about your books and WWII. I learned so much!!! Our class was lucky you came."

**Joanie**, *elementary school*

"I liked how *Doing My Part* gave a lot of details about the war, but it was just written like a good story. I liked the character, Mrs. Osthoff a lot. She was so sad. And I liked how the main character, Helen, was so confident that she could succeed. I'd definitely recommend this book because I couldn't put it down. I can't wait for the next one!"

**Marissa**, *middle school*

"I really enjoyed your presentation. You inspired me to try to find something I love to do."

**Emily**, *middle school*

"Thank you for coming to our school to teach us cool information!"

**McKenna**, *elementary school*

"I really liked *The No-No Boys* because it was based on a real story. I'm going to tell my friends they should read this book because it's a great story! I want to read the next one."

**Dillon**, *elementary school*

"Thank you for teaching us about WWII. I learned so much from you about the war. I never knew that kids were so important in this time."

**Brittany**, *elementary school*

"Before you came, I never really thought about how much different my life would be in another time and place. I may never write a book, but now I might try a little harder on my school writing assignments."

**Kalinda**, *middle school*