# XXKevin John Scott

Hi!

I am the author of the Frederik Sandwich adventure mystery series for Middle Grade readers (ages 8 to 12 or more), from top-10 US publisher Sourcebooks Jabberwocky.

"Highly Recommended. A must for elementary readers who want an engaging book that will take them on a wild ride and leave them on edge waiting for more."

School Library Connection



# School and Library Sessions

My books and events are aimed at 3rd through 6th Grades. I live near Seattle, WA and I visit schools and libraries in WA, OR, and Lower BC. If you're further away, consider an online session via Skype!

My school sessions are interactive, engaging students in creative skits, discussion and art. We explore the process of creating a published book and discuss themes and settings from my stories. I like to coordinate any book sales through the nearest independent bookstore. I do not charge for 2018 events.

# What to Expect

My sessions can be tailored to groups of any size. I introduce the Frederik Sandwich stories and themes and I read brief highlights. I use visual aids (PowerPoint and handouts), quizzes and discussion to keep the group engaged. If we have space to move around I use dramatization too. We break into small groups and act out scenes.

#### **Themes**

My books are fun adventures with some serious underlying themes. I explore the challenges faced by first- and second-generation immigrants, and how it feels to be an outsider.

I talk about where I find my ideas, how I build them into stories, and I give the students a recipe they can follow to create stories and books of their own. There are wildlife and animal behavior topics we can explore too.



## **Materials**

If you have a projector, I bring a PowerPoint presentation. Pens/pencils and clipboards are a help. I use single sheet double-sided handouts for some exercises, one per student.

## Book Clubs, Adult Readers, and Writers

My themes translate to adult audiences: the immigrant experience, tolerance and intolerance, the writing process and more. I'm happy to tailor sessions to adult-oriented events and Book Clubs. These can be hands-on workshops or author talks.

#### **Testimonials**

"Kevin had a library-full of students rolling-on-the-floor belly laughing, all while learning the writing process and being inspired to tell their stories. His respect for our students' creative abilities left us all feeling that our stories are worth sharing. His lively approach welcomed controlled outbursts of zany inspiration and made each student feel heard and empowered."

Teacher Librarian, Icicle River Middle School, Leavenworth, WA

"Kevin is a breath of fresh air! His author visits are truly a fantastic experience. 4th and 5th graders were enthralled. A must-see author and must-purchase book for your library!"

Teacher Librarian, Washington Elementary, Tacoma, WA

"Kevin is one of the most engaging and relevant speakers we've had. Students' feedback includes: 'loved it!' and 'that was really cool!' Kevin kept everyone laughing and participating throughout – which is no small feat in an assembly of close to 300 students!"

Young Authors' Day organizer, Coe Elementary, Seattle, WA

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