



SPRUCE RUN'S 2010 LIBRARY CAMPAIGN BOOKS

Affirmation Weaver: A believe in yourself story designed to help children boost self-esteem while decreasing Stress and Anxiety by Lori Lite

Children love to turn self-doubt into self-belief. Children relate to the dolphin in this story as the sea creatures show him how to believe in himself. Watch your child's self-esteem grow as the sea creatures weave a web of positive statements. This feel-good technique can be used to bolster self-image, manage stress and anxiety, and accomplish goals. This encouraging story will bring a smile to your face and give your child a tool that will last a lifetime. -Adapted from www.amazon.com

Take Me There by Susan Colasanti

This tale has likable and realistic teen characters. It takes place over an event-filled week, with Rhiannon, Nicole, and James telling the same story from their individual perspectives. Rhiannon is devastated by her recent breakup with Steve. Nicole has broken up with Danny for no apparent reason, and he is determined to win her back. James, who has always been Rhiannon's best friend, is finding his feelings for her undergoing a dramatic change. Readers will be intrigued by how the same incidents can be seen in so many different lights. The story also addresses several difficult and all-too-common problems that many teens face. Nicole realizes that Sheila is being physically abused by her boyfriend and is able to get her some professional help. Nicole has her own dark secret—her father is sexually abusing her. It's through her interactions with her friends that she is finally able to acknowledge the abuse and start to get on with her life. Teens who are dealing with their own problems will benefit from the hopeful resolution of this story. -Adapted from www.amazon.com

Finding Your Way through Domestic Abuse by Connie Fourré

All too often resources for coping with domestic violence and physical abuse overlook the equally painful aspects of emotional and verbal abuse. Even fewer address the

ongoing dynamics after a relationship ends, the long process of grieving. Connie Fourré offers victims of domestic abuse the information they need to move through this difficult, painful time. Fourré, a survivor of domestic abuse, guides readers through every step of the journey, from realizing the warning signs of an abusive relationship, to leaving the abuse behind, to coping with the aftermath. -Adapted from www.amazon.com