

## COLUMBUS CITY SCHOOLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LIBRARY LEARNING ACTIVITIES



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Guideline

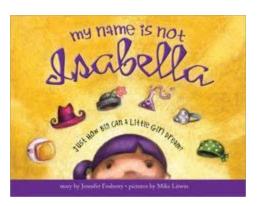
Grade Band: Grade Level Indicator: K-2 and 3-5

Guideline: Information Literacy Organizer: Reading Encouragement

## Title

My Name is Not Isabella: Just How Big Can a Little Girl Dream? By Jennifer Fosberry

Isabella turns an ordinary day into an extraordinary adventure. Through her imagination, Isabella exposes us to some amazing women who have changed history.



Themes: women, imagination, mother/daughter relationship

## Resources and Materials

- Book: *My Name is Not Isabella* by J. Fosberry
- Readers Theater Script
- What is Readers Theater?
- Google Slide to accompany My Name is Not Isabella -

## Vocabulary:

Astronaut Sally Ride
Sharpshooter Annie Oakley
Activist Rosa Parks
Scientist Marie Curie

Doctor Elizabeth Blackwell

Some ideas for this lessons were adapted from:

http://www.readingrockets.org/strategies/readers\_theater

	Great book to use during Women's History Month - March
Activity	<ul> <li>Ask, "Have you ever pretended you were someone else? Why did you choose that person?" Introduce book - title, author, illustrator. Why do you think this girl we see on the cover says her name is not Isabella? We usually tell people what our name is, but she is telling us what her name is not. Any ideas or thoughts about that title?</li> <li>Read and Discuss My Name is Not Isabella</li> <li>Use supporting Powerpoint to show the 5 important women from history Isabella pretends to be and a brief bit of biographical information on each.</li> <li>Use the Readers Theater Script above to have students practice and perform for their classmates. Use the "What is Readers Theater?" article to educate your students on what it is and its purpose.</li> <li>Schedule performances. Have fun with it - your students will love it!</li> <li>Use Destiny - library catalog to look up other books in the Isabella series in your school or in our district - this would best be done by conducting an author search for Jennifer Fosberry.</li> </ul>