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I grew up constantly wanting to go to the library, bookstores, and would even have sleepovers with friends where we both spent the entire time reading the newest “Harry Potter.”

I have been teaching for 4 years. I have taught 5th grade and 4th grade where I have focused on language arts. I have always loved instilling a passion for reading and helping students see themselves as well as learn about others through books. Book Love Foundation is helping me build a library of books that my students can feel seen, valued, and heard when they look at the books in our community.

I am always learning and growing as an educator. When I go to different professional developments, I am always creating a book stack that I want to bring back to my classroom. I love sharing my joy for reading and want to encourage students to find that same love. I once had a student who said to me, “remember when I told you that I don’t like reading and you said that I just needed to find the perfect book, well, I found it!” This is my purpose as an educator.

I have a passion for bringing books in the classroom that also give voices to people who have not been given a voice in our history. I love finding books that will give a glimpse into other parts of the world, cultures, and people.

Receiving this book grant has given me validation and encouragement to continue with the work that I am doing. It allows me to see that this passion is valued. It will also give my students in the future an opportunity in our classroom library to find themselves in stories.