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Love For Books

I've always had a hunger for reading. Growing up, my parents could barely keep up with how quickly I could go through a stack of library books. Sending me to my room was never a punishment; I would happily read for hours. You could often find me and my dad reading our different books together, silently, side by side. I knew I was lucky to be raised in an environment rich with literacy.

When I started teaching, I had to really listen to and learn from students who were reluctant readers. Who didn't love to read?! I grew to understand my deep privilege in growing up surrounded by quality books that suited my interests. Now, I strive every year to learn about my students' interests and backgrounds in order to do for them what my parents did for me. I know it's never too late to find the right books that show students the deep love they can have for reading.

My name is Rebecca Cohen, and I have the great honor of teaching 9th grade English at Pflugerville High School. Teaching students at such a crucial age allows me to help them acclimate to the challenges of high school while exploring who they see themselves becoming. My hope every year is to show students how reading and writing can not only become lifelong passions, but also how they can empower everyone to pursue their dreams.

