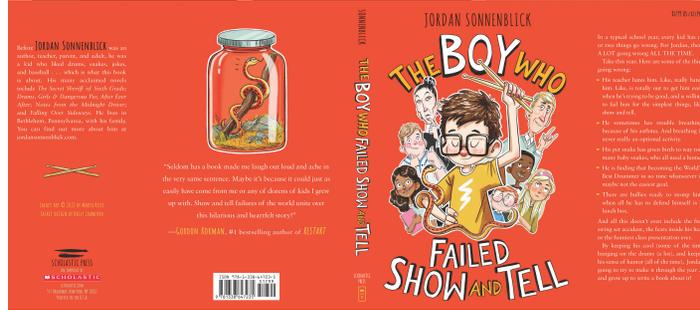


**DRUMS, GIRLS, & DANGEROUS PIE:** Jordan's bestselling, acclaimed first novel tells the story of Steven, who is just trying to make his way through the 8th grade when his little brother is suddenly diagnosed with leukemia. **(suggested for middle school)**

**NOTES FROM THE MIDNIGHT DRIVER:** An ALA Best Book for Young Adults, this is the story of Alex, who makes one awful decision in the midst of his parents' breakup, gets arrested, and is sentenced to 100 hours working at a nursing home. There, he meets Solomon Lewis, a cantankerous old man who will change his life.

**ZEN AND THE ART OF FAKING IT:** After his adoptive father goes to prison for fraud, San Lee and his mom must start over in a new town. Now, after years of living lie after lie, it's time for San to figure out who he really is. **(suggested for middle school)**

**AFTER EVER AFTER:** The award-winning, standalone sequel to DRUMS, GIRLS, & DANGEROUS PIE. **(suggested for middle school)**



**CURVEBALL:** What happens when a gifted athlete can't play his sport, ever again? Will friendship, family, and first love be enough to get him through? **(suggested for middle & high school)**

**FALLING OVER SIDWAYS:** Claire is overwhelmed by dance problems. Band problems. Girl problems. Boy problems. So when her dad falls over sideways, things get really challenging. **(suggested for middle school)**

**THE SECRET SHERIFF OF SIXTH GRADE:** Maverick has an awful home life, and things are rough at school, as well — until he decides to change everything by becoming a hero. **(suggested for upper elementary & middle school)**

**ARE YOU EXPERIENCED?:** *Back to the Future* meets *Taking Woodstock* in this time-travel adventure with heart. **(suggested for 8th grade and high school)**

**The DODGER AND ME Trilogy:** These hilarious fantasy romps with a message follow 5th graders Willie and Lizzy (and some magical companions) as they learn the meaning of true friendship. **(elementary)**

**THE BOY WHO FAILED SHOW AND TELL:** How does a hyperactive, asthmatic kid grow up to be an author? Find out in Jordan's new memoir! **(grades 3-8)**

# Invite Author & Educator Jordan Sonnenblick to YOUR School

(Or Your Zoom class, Conference,  
Library, Backyard Literary Barbecue —  
Whatever ... )



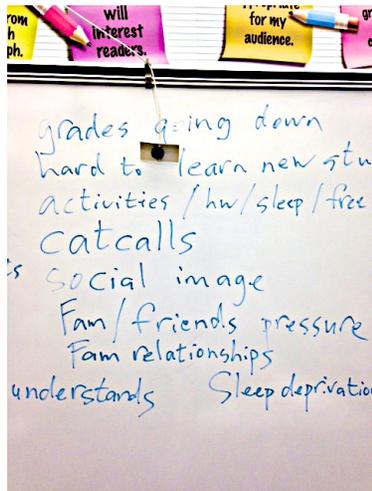
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## Invite Jordan to your school ...

... and share in the joy and inspiration that have captivated over 500,000 students (and their teachers, administrators, school staff, and parents) so far!

Jordan loves to talk with audiences about the tremendous positive impact the written word has made upon his life, and how he basically owes everything he has to the love of books and reading. Starting with the alarming tale of how his budding attention-deficit issues nearly made him forget to flee a fire that broke out in his preschool, he will reach even your most difficult students — who will undoubtedly see something of their own stories in his school escapades. Of course, he will discuss tips and tricks for writing — but the larger message is about living a life of using one's deepest gifts with a sense of kindness and social responsibility.



In Jordan's optional writing workshops, students learn to use material from their own lives to increase the power of their writing.

## What's in a Visit?

At a typical full-day visit, Jordan leads three (3) assembly presentations and/or writing workshops. Jordan can present to several hundred students at once in an assembly session. The writing workshops are generally smaller in size and are most effective with fifty or fewer students.

Jordan likes to have at least 45 minutes per assembly, and at least an hour per workshop.

Jordan is adept at presenting assemblies for all grades, K-12. His writing workshops are suitable for grades 4-12. Of course, each interactive and entertaining presentation and workshop is specially tailored to that audience.

Jordan is also glad to eat lunch with a small group of students. Select 12-20 kids to have an informal, thirty (30) minute lunch with him. These are always wonderful experiences for everyone.

Finally, please coordinate book sales with a local vendor, a bookstore, or the publishers. Jordan will gladly sign and personalize everyone's books.



## About Jordan



Jordan Sonnenblick always knew he wanted to be three things when he grew up: a teacher, a novelist, and a professional drummer.

After college, Jordan began a 14-year public-school teaching career. (He also played in a wide variety of bands on weekends.) He continued to dream about writing, but never actually got started on a book until his 12th year in the classroom, when he met an 8th-grade student named Emily, whose younger brother had cancer. Jordan promised Emily's mom he would find a book for Emily to read that would help her to open up and begin to speak about what she was experiencing. However, he couldn't find such a story, so he wrote one: his first novel, *Drums, Girls, & Dangerous Pie*.

Sixteen years and twelve books later, Jordan no longer teaches full-time, and those weekend band gigs have sadly fallen by the wayside. Jordan now spends much of the year visiting schools around the country and the world, conducting writing workshops and sharing his love for the written word. But hey, if you set up a drumset, you might still be able to coax him into playing a bit ...

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