

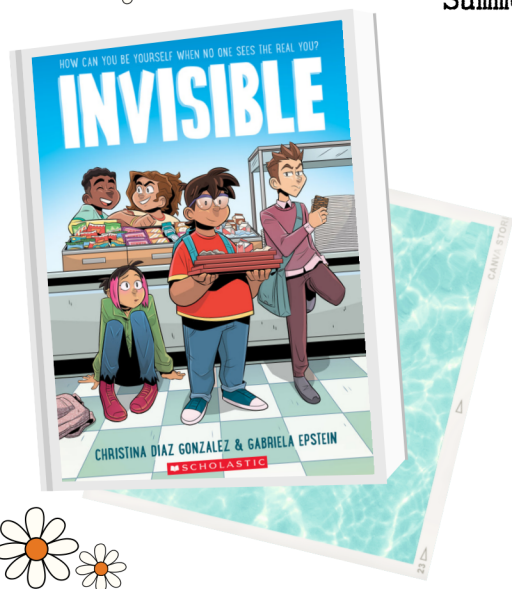


Summer Reading 2023

Help us reach our goal of reading

**3 million minutes**

by logging your minutes in Beanstack



## Invisible

by **Christina Diaz Gonzalez & Gabriela Epstein**, Illustrator

"Can five overlooked kids make one big difference? There's George: the brain, Sara: the loner, Dayara: the tough kid, Nico: the rich kid, and Miguel: the athlete. And they're stuck together when they're forced to complete their school's community service hours. Although they're sure they have nothing in common with one another, some people see them as all the same--just five Spanish-speaking kids. Then they meet someone who truly needs their help, and they must decide whether they are each willing to expose their own secrets to help--or if remaining invisible is the only way to survive middle school"

## Read and Write About It

Read or watch any of the resources listed below at [bit.ly/ocpsinvisiblereads](https://bit.ly/ocpsinvisiblereads)

- **Watch**
  - What is a Graphic Novel?
- **Read:**
  - Learn how Raina Telgemeier writes Graphic Novels
- **Write and Illustrate:**
  - Finish this Comic by Jarrett Lerner
  - Write and illustrate your own graphic novel or comic panel

## The Inspiration

Christina grew up in a small town in the Florida panhandle where she was the only Spanish-speaking child around. In her first graphic novel, she blends written words in English and Spanish with beautiful visuals to create a bilingual book for all readers.



## Create Successful Reading Habits

Turn reading into something special.

- Plan a visit to the public library to get a library card.
- Read with a friend or loved one to make it a shared experience.
- Share your thoughts by writing a book review in Beanstack
- Remember to log your minutes in Beanstack to enter our Summer Reading Celebration prize drawings.

## Ask Questions and Make Connections

Pause to ask questions as you read the book. Make connections to your life, other books, and the world around you.

### Before

- The title of this book is *Invisible*. What do you think it will be about?
- Look at the front cover of the book. What are your observations of the characters based on the artwork?

### During

- The kids in this story are lumped together because of adult assumptions about who they are. Has this ever happened to you? How did that make you feel?
- What do you think are the benefits of being bilingual?
- The kids take food from the cafeteria and give it to Lisa and her mom. Most of the food was leftovers or was going to be thrown away. Do you consider what they did stealing?

### After

- What can you do to make sure you see people in your life so no one feels *Invisible*?

### Create a Service Project

In *Invisible*, the students meet a family struggling with food insecurity and homelessness. Brainstorm ways you and your peers could address these issues in your community.



## Explore & Create

The students in *Invisible*, are from all over the world. Learn more about them by exploring some of their native countries on virtual field trips and creating crafts and games using the resources available at [bit.ly/ocpsinvisiblereads](http://bit.ly/ocpsinvisiblereads).



## Keep Reading

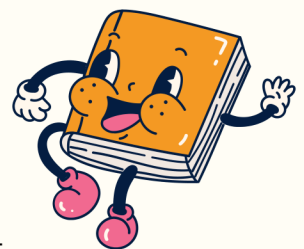
If your student liked this book, they may also enjoy the titles below which are available on **LaunchPad** in **Sora** or the **Virtual Library Card**.

Also by Christina Diaz Gonzalez

- *The Bluest Sky*
- *Concealed*
- *A Thunderous Whisper*
- *Moving Target*

By other authors:

- *Lotería* by Karla Arenas Valenti
- *Swim Team* by Johnnie Christmas
- *New Kid* by Jerry Craft
- *The Tryout* by Christina Soontornvat



## Taste Tour

Cookbooks are a type of non-fiction book that invite the reader to be active by trying new recipes. Try making a recipe from a cookbook.

Speak with your parent/guardian before beginning any cooking projects.

### Cookbooks in Sora

- The Complete Cookbook for Teen Chefs
- Food Network Magazine
- Sandwiches!
- Delicious Vegetarian Main Dishes