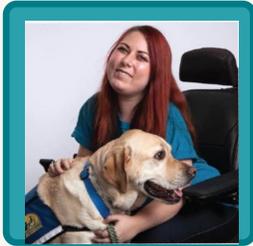


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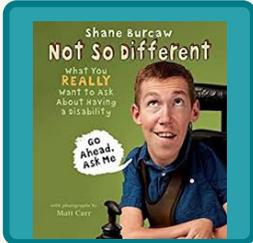
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BOOKS/LITERATURE



Click on Lauren's picture to watch a video introduction to the book, *Not So Different*.

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Click on the image of *Not So Different* to see a preview of the book.

[Skype with Shane](#)

Discussion Questions:

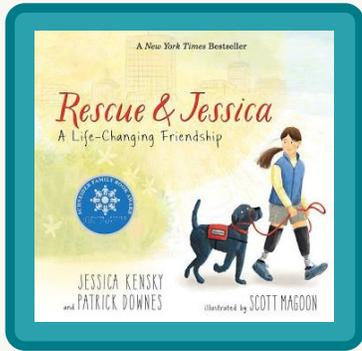
- What do you know about Shane's disability? What is it called? What does it affect?

- Does Shane have friends? What does he enjoy doing with friends? Is Shane able to enjoy life?

- Shane mentions that sometimes people stare at him or make fun of him. What would you do if someone that you were with made fun of a person in a wheelchair?

- Shane details the assistance that his family gives him in daily life. If Shane went to your school, how could you help him?

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Click on the image of *Rescue & Jessica* to hear Lauren talk about the book.

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Discussion Questions:

- What does it mean when a dog wears a blue cape? What does it mean when a dog wears a red cape?

- You find out in the back of the book that “Rescue & Jessica” is based on the true story of Jessica Kensky who lost her legs during a bombing that took place at the Boston Marathon. How do you think Jessica felt going from being a marathon runner to an amputee?

- What were some ways that Rescue helped Jessica both practically and emotionally?

Let's review service dog etiquette:

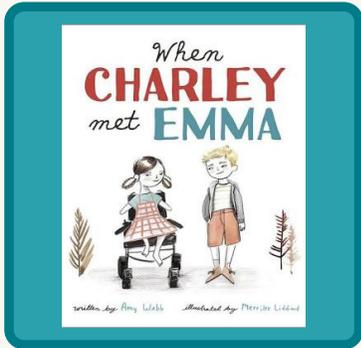
- Please don't touch, talk to, or feed a service dog when he is wearing his cape/harness.
- Don't treat the dog as a pet. He is working!
- Please speak to the handler, not the dog.
- If the handler says that you can't pet the dog at that time, please don't be offended.
- Don't give the service dog commands. Guide and service dog teams have the right of way



Click here to watch a video of the real Jessica talking about Rescue.

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Click on the image of *When Charley Met Emma* to hear Ms. Matulich talk about the book.

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Discussion Questions:

- Charley's initial reaction to Emma is that she looks "weird." How does it make Emma feel when she hears Charley say that she is "weird"?

- Emma mentions that sometimes people stare, laugh, or whisper about her. What would be a better way to respond to someone with a difference that you were curious about?

- Charley realizes that he actually has several things in common with Emma. A good strategy when you are interacting with someone who is different is to find commonalities. What are some common "likes" that you could ask about?

- Thinking about Ms. Matulich, the Leader featured in the video, do you think that she feels like her life is "weird" or "different?"