

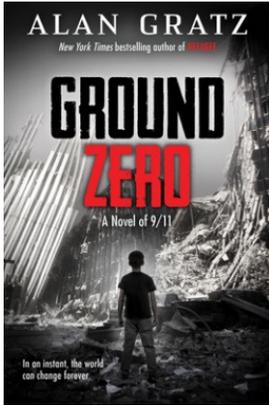
**Alan Gratz**

Young Elementary is delighted to welcome *New York Times* bestselling author Alan Gratz for a virtual event on Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Gratz will talk with students about his career as an author and discuss his new book, *Ground Zero*.

**To guarantee a signed copy (bookplate) of any of these books, please place your order through your PushCoin account by Tuesday, February 16<sup>th</sup>.**



***Ground Zero*, \$17.99 (Hardcover)**



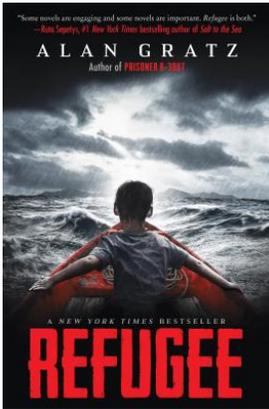
**In time for the twentieth anniversary of 9/11, master storyteller Alan Gratz (*Refugee*) delivers a pulse-pounding and unforgettable take on history and hope, revenge and fear -- and the stunning links between the past and present.**

**September 11, 2001, New York City:** Brandon is visiting his dad at work, on the 107th floor of the World Trade Center. Out of nowhere, an airplane slams into the tower, creating a fiery nightmare of terror and confusion. And Brandon is in the middle of it all. Can he survive -- and escape?

**September 11, 2019, Afghanistan:** Reshmina has grown up in the shadow of war, but she dreams of peace and progress. When a battle erupts in her village, Reshmina stumbles upon a wounded American soldier named Taz. Should she help Taz -- and put herself and her family in mortal danger?

Two kids. One devastating day. Nothing will ever be the same.

***Refugee*, \$16.99 (Hardcover)**



**JOSEF** is a Jewish boy living in 1930s Nazi Germany. With the threat of concentration camps looming, he and his family board a ship bound for the other side of the world . .

**ISABEL** is a Cuban girl in 1994. With riots and unrest plaguing her country, she and her family set out on a raft, hoping to find safety in America . .

**MAHMOUD** is a Syrian boy in 2015. With his homeland torn apart by violence and destruction, he and his family begin a long trek toward Europe . .

All three kids go on harrowing journeys in search of refuge. All will face unimaginable dangers -- from drownings to bombings to betrayals. But there is always the hope of *tomorrow*. And although Josef, Isabel, and Mahmoud are separated by continents and decades, shocking connections will tie their stories together in the end.

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Teacher Name:** \_\_\_\_\_