

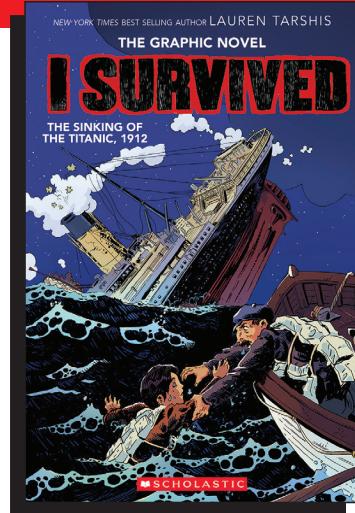
# Booktalk!

## I Survived: The Sinking of the Titanic, 1912 P.A. Announcement

**For this Book Talk you will need**

- 1 Narrator

**George:** Here I am, cruising on a floating palace... The greatest ship in the world... The magnificent, unsinkable Titanic... It's a thrill of a lifetime!



**George:** It's nighttime and... (*cutting himself off*)... wait – what was that? It sounded like a boiler exploding, or maybe a steam pipe bursting... (*pausing*) But the harder I'm listening, the less I'm hearing. (*pausing*) In fact, I don't hear anything but (*hesitating*) SILENCE. The ship's mighty engines have stopped running. (*pausing*)

**George:** (*trying to sound braver than he feels*) Nothing bad can happen to us on the Titanic... (*pausing*) Right? (*sound of someone knocking*)

**George:** There's someone at our cabin door – he's telling my aunt that we need to get dressed quickly and come up on deck; we need to make sure to wear a life jacket over our coats.

**George:** Why is my Aunt Daisy looking around so frantically? (*sounding alarmed*) Wait – what? (*pausing*) She's saying something about my little sister, Phoebe, not being in her bed! (*sounding worried*) Oh, no – no, no, no! This can't be happening! (*speaking more quickly*) It's all my fault – I wandered off to explore the ship after my aunt and sister fell asleep, and Phoebe must've gone looking for me...

**George:** (*speaking more quickly and worriedly as he continues describing the scene around him*) Now that we're heading up on deck, the passengers and crew members around us are growing more and more frantic; Aunt Daisy is looking increasingly desperate.

**George:** How are we EVER going to find Phoebe amidst all the chaos? And will we actually make it to the lifeboats in time?

**George:** Find out when you read *I Survived: The Sinking of the Titanic, 1912* graphic novel – it's at your Scholastic Book Fair.