Each week we will look at the reasons why these Newbery winning books were/ are challenged or banned. We will look at the author's life and get their views on book banning in general, as well as their feelings about their book being challenged.

We will also discuss current trends in our country to ban books, especially those written for children. We will explore opportunities for each of us to "fight back."

Week 1: The Slave Dancer by Paula Fox. Winner in 1974

Week 2: Bridge to Terabithia by Katherine Paterson. Winner in 1978

Week 3: Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli. Winner in 1991

Week 4: Shiloh by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor. Winner in 1992

Week 5: *New Kid* by Jerry Craft. Winner in 2020