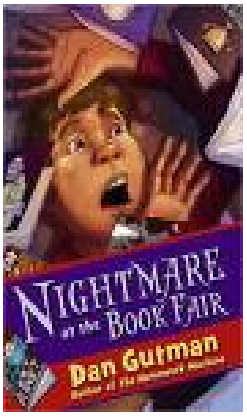
# October Booktalks 2009

**Turnabout by Margaret Peterson Haddix**-When Melly and Anny Beth are old and about to die, they are selected to participate in Project Turnabout and are given an injection to make them grow younger.. At some point, they are to be given another injection to stop the un-aging process. But everyone who gets the second shot dies….. 5.3 AR, 7 points

**Extra Credit by Andrew Clements**- Abby Carson is failing 6th grade. She decides to make a real effort and do all her homework through the end of the school year. But, not only will she have to get 85% or better for the rest of the year, she will also have to do extra credit. She has to find a pen pal in a foreign country. Her letter is sent to Afghanistan, and a boy is chosen to be her pen pal. Well, kind of… it's against the law for a boy to write to a girl… AR Level 5.3, 5 points




**Nightmare at the Book Fair by Dan Gutman**-When 5th grader Trip Dinkleman is hit on the head by a heavy box and becomes a character in a series of different books– from a sports story to a science fiction novel to an adventure tale– his view of reading is changed forever. AR 4.3, 5 points

**Elly, My True Story of the Holocaust by Elly Berkovits Gross**– When Elly Gross was just 15, she was taken to a concentration camp. She never saw her parents or her little brother alive again. This is the true story of how she survived the horrors of Auschwitz.. 5.1 AR , 2 points