Welcome!
The Junior Great Books® Nonfiction Libraries for grades 2–5 add depth and variety to your classroom bookshelves. High-quality informational texts, selected by Great Books Foundation editors, are accompanied by thinking and writing prompts that encourage students to respond thoughtfully to what they have read. A Teacher’s Guide comes with each library.

Quality Nonfiction
Each library includes 30 nonfiction titles selected for their rich content, complexity, and sound literary quality. The selections represent a broad range of reading levels to meet the diverse needs of students.

Thinking and Writing Prompts
With the libraries come a set of Library Cards—flexible-use thinking and writing prompts that spur students to think analytically about the books they have read and practice key nonfiction reading skills. The array of questions and activities extends students’ engagement with the text and can be used a multitude of ways to suit your classroom schedule and goals.

The prompts—12 in all—can be assigned to pairs, groups, or to the entire class and can be used with any book in the library. Prompts include:

- **Rate It!** Students rate the books and put ratings in wall pockets or on a bulletin board for their classmates to review.
- **Recommend It!** Students recommend books they have read and share recommendations with classmates.
- **Two Questions** Students create two questions about the book they have read and post the questions in the classroom to share with classmates.
- **Classroom Connection** Students create a “connection web” of the responses relating the books to other areas of study.
- **Tell Me More!** Pairs or groups of students research a book topic they are still interested in, using sources they identified in their responses.
- **Picture Perfect** Pairs or groups of students compare their responses to illustrations, charts, photos or diagrams in the books they have read and briefly discuss what makes these elements useful in a nonfiction text.
Grade 4 Sample Book and Library Card Prompts

My Librarian Is a Camel

How Books Are Brought to Children Around the World

by Margriet Ruurs

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Two Questions
Write two questions you have about the book after reading it. What sources could you use to answer these questions?

Name:

Book Title:

Tell Me More!
Write two or three things you still want to know about this topic. How would you find that information?

Name:

Book Title: