



# TeachingBooks Author Name Pronunciation Challenge Quiz

The TeachingBooks.net Author Name Pronunciation Guide is a collection of brief recordings of authors and illustrators saying their names.

Now it's time to test your knowledge! *To take the Challenge Quiz:*

- Print this document.
- On the TeachingBooks home page, click on the “Browse the Collection” button, and then scroll down to the “Browse by a Type of Resource” section. Under “Author Resources,” click on “Audio Name Pronunciations.” Or, access the guide directly at: <http://TeachingBooks.net/Hello> ).
- Say the name out loud first.
- Click on each name to check your answer.
- Give yourself one point for each name you get right.

## **1. Can you pronounce these 10 tough or tricky names?**

- Aliko
- Tony DiTerlizzi
- Cornelia Funke
- Neil Gaiman
- Brian Jacques
- Barbara Joosse
- Jarrett J. Krosoczka
- Yuyi Morales
- Susan Patron
- Rick Riordan

## **Bonus Round for Extra Credit**

- Carl Hiassen
- Louis Sachar
- Jon Scieszka
- Peter Sís (it's first in the Ss, because of the Czech í letter)
- David Wiesner

## **2. Do you know the background heritage & stories of these 10 names?**

- Sherman Alexie
- Gennifer Choldenko
- Ji-Li Jiang
- Lois Lowry

- Josephine Nobisso
- Gail Nyoka
- Lisa Papademetriou
- Linda Sue Park
- Margriet Ruurs
- Robert Quackenbush

**Bonus Round for Extra Credit**

- Adrian Fogelin
- K.L. Going
- Uma Krishnaswami
- Janet Tashjian
- Paul Ratz de Tagyos (found under Rs)

**3. Just for fun . . .**

- Avi
- Deb Caletti
- Kadir Nelson
- Ridley Pearson
- Vladimir Radunsky
- Lemony Snicket
- Mo Willems
- Lisa Yee

**If you scored 30 points or above (out of a possible 38):**

Congratulations! You're a gifted reader and very good with difficult names and are hereby awarded the Gold Medal of the Author Name Pronunciation Guide.

**If you scored more than 20 points:**

You're a very talented educator and reader whose bookshelves are probably sagging with countless children's and young adult books . . . or a very good guesser.

**If you scored under 20 points:**

Now you know firsthand why authors groan when they hear their names mangled . . . and why they took a few moments from their busy schedules to call up the TeachingBooks recording line.

**If you bothered to take the test at all:**

Kudos! You love children's and young adult books and are curious to learn all you can about them.

**For more fun**, see "Around the World in 42 names" at: <http://forum.teachingbooks.net/?p=45>

