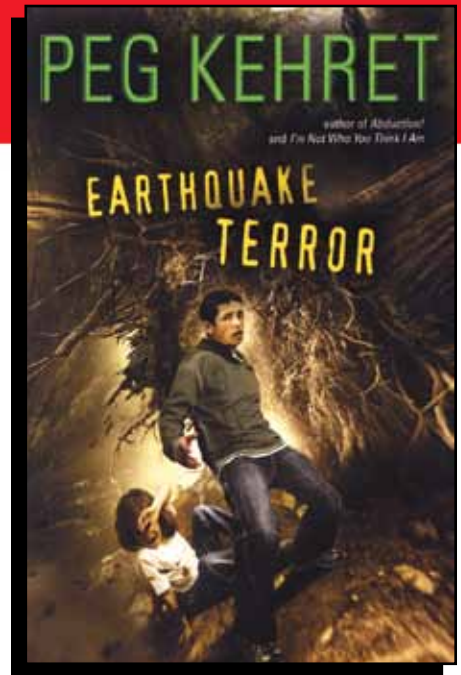


# Booktalk!



## Earthquake Terror Script

### *For this Book Talk you will need:*

- A volunteer to lead the Book Talk
- A few students to shake desks/chairs, stomp on floor to mimic an earthquake on cue
- A copy of *Earthquake Terror*

Begin Book Talk by sitting down reading *Earthquake Terror*, looking engrossed in the story (*suggested pages: 16 & 17*). When everyone is seated, prompt volunteers. Jump up startled and say:

Oh, no! (*look around anxiously*) the ground is moving! (*stare at audience with a terrified look in your eyes*)

What would you do if you were alone on an island, with your little sister, and an earthquake hit?

Would you sit around and wait for help to come? Or would you try to do everything you can to make sure you and your sister get off the island safely?

To make matters more complicated, your little sister is partially paralyzed and can't walk very well, especially not after her walker is crushed under a tree.

You're scared and there's no way to get help.

What are you going to do? (*point to someone in the audience*)

(*Open up a group discussion about what students would do if they were put into this situation. Ask students if they have ever experienced a natural disaster and what they did during this time.*)

To find out what happens to Jonathan and his sister, read *Earthquake Terror!*