

Bot Wars

By J.V. Kade

Annotation

- Aiden (Trout) misses his dad whose been missing since the end of the Bot Wars. That conflict, between the increasingly advanced robots who were demanding rights and the humans who owned them, has left the United Districts in dire straits. His older brother won't answer his questions, so he decides to post a video asking for information. It goes viral and now his brother is missing and he's a wanted fugitive. Nothing makes sense any more and Trout doesn't know who to trust.

Book Talk

- What if robots became so advanced and human-like that they began demanding rights and a war broke out? What if we were completely dependent on those robots to run everything...stores, factories, etc? In this futuristic novel about a boy nicknamed Trout, his brother Po and the search for their father who's been missing since the end of the Bot Wars, there is always a question about who can be trusted. The government? The robots? Their father? Is the Bot War really over? Hop on your hover board and get ready for a wild ride!

Book Trailers

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=10vpWZ0d5NM>

Author on the Internet

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Items to use in a library display

- Transformers and toy robots.

Food:

- Pizza

Book Club Discussion Questions/Topics

- If you could have a robot, what would you like it to do for you?
- Do you think robots will ever become so advanced we will not be able to function in our society without them?
- Is there anything ethically wrong with putting human characteristics and feelings into machines?
- How would you use a hover suit if you had one?

First Line of the Book:

- My brother lost his leg because of the Deeta disease, but he tells everyone it happened during the Robot Wars even though his service only ran two months and he never left the Military Zone.

Non-Fiction Companion Title(s)

- *Robot Workers* by David Jefferis
- *Robot World* by Tony Hyland

What to Read Next

- *Meta-rise* by J.V. Kade (sequel)
- *I, Robot* by Isaac Asimov
- *The Search for Wondla* by Tony DiTerlizzi
- *Boy at the End of the World* by Greg Van Eekhout
- *Brother From a Box* by Evan Kuhlman
- *Atomic Ace and the Robot Rage* by Jeff Weigel

Other Books by this Author:

- *Meta-rise*
- *Altered Saga* (3 titles) as Jennifer Rush (aka J.V. Kade)
- *Rising Three* series as Jennifer Rush (aka J.V. Kade)

Additional Resources

- Music: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zY-KpXhbku4>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=si-dnocjCBE>
- Poetry: <http://www.poetrysoup.com/poems/best/robot>
- Art/craft activity: Build a robot from Legos, K'Nex, or recyclable materials.
- Interview with the author:
<http://www.sturdyforcommonthings.com/2013/03/author-interview-jennifer-rush-writing-as-j-v-kade/>
- Lesson ideas: Use the following website to design your own robot!
<http://www.addictinggames.com/funny-games/buildarobot3.jsp>