

Storm Reyes: The conditions (1) pretty terrible. I once (2) someone that I (3) to fight with a knife long before I (4) how to ride a bicycle. And when you are grinding day after day after day, there is no room in you for hope. There's nothing to aspire to except filling your hungry belly.

That's how I (5) raised. But when I (6) 12, a bookmobile (7) to the fields. And you have to understand that I (8) allowed to have books, because books are heavy, and when you're moving a lot you have to keep things just as minimal as possible. So when I first (9) this big vehicle on the side of the road, and it (10) filled with books, I immediately stepped back. Fortunately when the staff member (11) me, kind of (12) me in, and (13) , "These are books, and you can take one home. "I'm like, "What's the catch?"

And he (14) to me there (15) no catch. Then he (16) me what I (17) interested in. And the night before the bookmobile (18) , in the camps, there (19) an elder who (20) us about the day that Mount Rainier (21) . So I (22) the bookmobile person that I (23) a little nervous about the mountain blowing up. And he (24) , "You know, the more you know about something, the less you will fear it."

And he (25) me a book about volcanoes. And then I (26) a book about dinosaurs. I (27) "Oh, that looks neat." So he (28) me a book about dinosaurs. And I (29) them home, and I devoured them. I (30) them, I

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And I (31) back in two weeks and (32) more questions.

And he (33) me more books and that (34) it.

That (35) me that hope (36) not just a word.

And it (37) me the courage to leave the camps.

That's where the books (38) the difference.

By the time I (39) 15, I (40) there (41) a world outside of the camps.

I (42) I could find a place in it.

And I (43) .