The Story Collector

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Viviani Joffre Fedeler is a collector of stories. Living in the New York Public Library with her family, she is a natural storyteller with a vivid imagination. One day, a valuable stamp collection is put on exhibit at the library, but goes missing soon after. Using fact and fiction, courage and fear, investigation and innovation, Viviani and her friends are able to catch the thief and learn important life lessons along the way.

This captivating read is descriptive and well written. Much of the book is based on truth, which adds to its delightfulness. There are also a handful of illustrations sprinkled throughout the pages, which perfectly capture the feel of the New York Public Library in the 1920s. Viviani is a charming protagonist who learns the important difference between stories and lies. Through Viviani’s journey of self-exploration, the reader is encouraged to value their own story and make it heard.