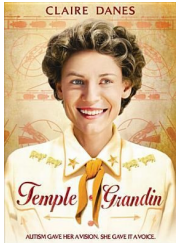


## Delve Into: Temple Grandin

Temple Grandin is a 72-year-old writer, lecturer, autism rights activist, animal behavior expert and inventor (Hug Machine). Her journey is amazing. As a child she was diagnosed with brain damage and doctors recommended she be institutionalized. Instead her parents provided intensive tutoring and support. She was officially diagnosed autistic in her 40s. She has worked to make slaughter houses safer and more humane, she has helped animal lovers better understand their pets and she was one of the first people to provide personal insights into life as a person on the autism spectrum. Her books and lectures have led to improvements in the understanding and treatment of persons with autism. She works tirelessly change the public perception of autism which she sees not as a handicap but as a unique way of thinking and perceiving.

### Resources:



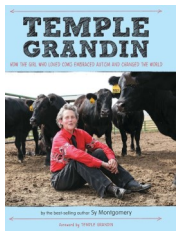
Movie:

[Temple Grandin](#). A 2010 film on her life starred Clare Danes and won numerous awards. Danes invited Grandin to the Oscars.

TED Talk:

["The World Needs All Kinds of Minds"](#) by Grandin is fascinating. (Approx 20 mins)

### Books for children/young adults:



**Temple Grandin : How the Girl Who Loved Cows Embraced Autism**

By Sy Montgomery

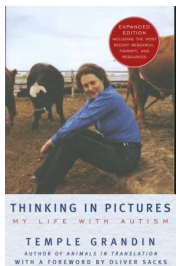
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**Calling All Minds : How to Think and Create Like An Inventor**

By Temple Grandin

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### Books for Adults/Young Adults:



**Thinking in Pictures : My Life with Autism**

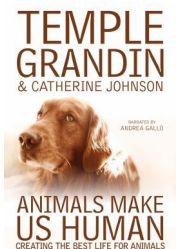
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**Animals Make Us Human : Creating the Best Life for Animals**

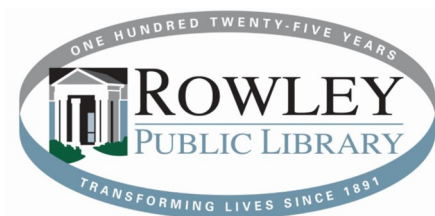
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