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TeachOntario, in partnership with the OSLA, is pleased to announce the continuation of the online book clubs in 2018. Facilitated by the OSLA's Kate Johnson-McGregor, in February, featuring *This is not a test: A new narrative on Race, Class and Education* by Jose Vilson.

In March, join Kelly Maggirias featuring Nora Young's *The Virtual Self: How our Digital Lives are altering the world around us*. The book club is free to join and runs in Explore, the publicly-accessible space on of TeachOntario.

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What's New in Open Shelf

Cultural ownership, advocacy and engaging readers in new materials are topics we tackle in Open Shelf this month.

Kasey (Mallen) Whalley, a school library technician and gamer, challenges us to rethink what ownership means, in Reader, watcher, owner: Wholistic-based story experiences.

Todd Kyle brings us the second installment in his limited-series exploration of libraries in the cultural wars: Safespaces. His topic this month is the cultural appropriation debate and reconciling our core values with the censorship of creative endeavours.

Play your cards right!—Martha Attridge Bufton, Colin Harkness and Ryan Tucci share their "voyage of discovery" into the world of game-based learning in information literacy.

And on the regular column beat, taking time to gather, reflect and rejuvenate one's practice is the focus of Jennifer Brown's latest It's elementary column while Jennifer Green gives us a "short and sweet" method for writing annotations in Readers' advisory and Chris Jasztrab gives us a peek into the life of an information technology and technical services manager in the Library IT Crowd.

Finally, Kerry Badgley, 2018 OLA President, and Shelagh Paterson, Executive Director, give us their "Bird's eye view" of what's in store for our association this year.

And let us know what you think via our reader poll: Who owns the story? Designer or gamer or both?