

**Workshop 9: The Art of the Memoir****Quick Project****Design a Book Cover**

*You can't judge a book by its cover—or can you?*

**Project:** Create your own book cover for *Breaking Through*.

**Procedure**

- 1. Make observations.** Look at some book covers, including the cover of *Breaking Through* on page 216 of your *rBook Flex*. What is on the front? What is on the back? You might want to choose a book to use as a reference while designing your cover.
- 2. Design the front cover.** Think about what happened to Francisco Jiménez. What image will you choose for your cover? Find an image you can cut out or print, or draw one yourself.
- 3. Write a summary of *Breaking Through* for the back cover.** Include important information in your summary:
  - Who are the most important people in the memoir?
  - What do they want?
  - What happens to them?

Your summary should be exciting. It should make people want to read the book. Don't tell the ending!

- 4. Put it all together and display.** Fold a piece of paper in half so it looks like a book cover. Attach an image to the front. Then use your best handwriting to copy your summary on the back.

Add anything that your cover is missing, such as:

- the author's name
- the title
- quotes from book reviews
- the price of the book

Display your completed cover in the classroom.