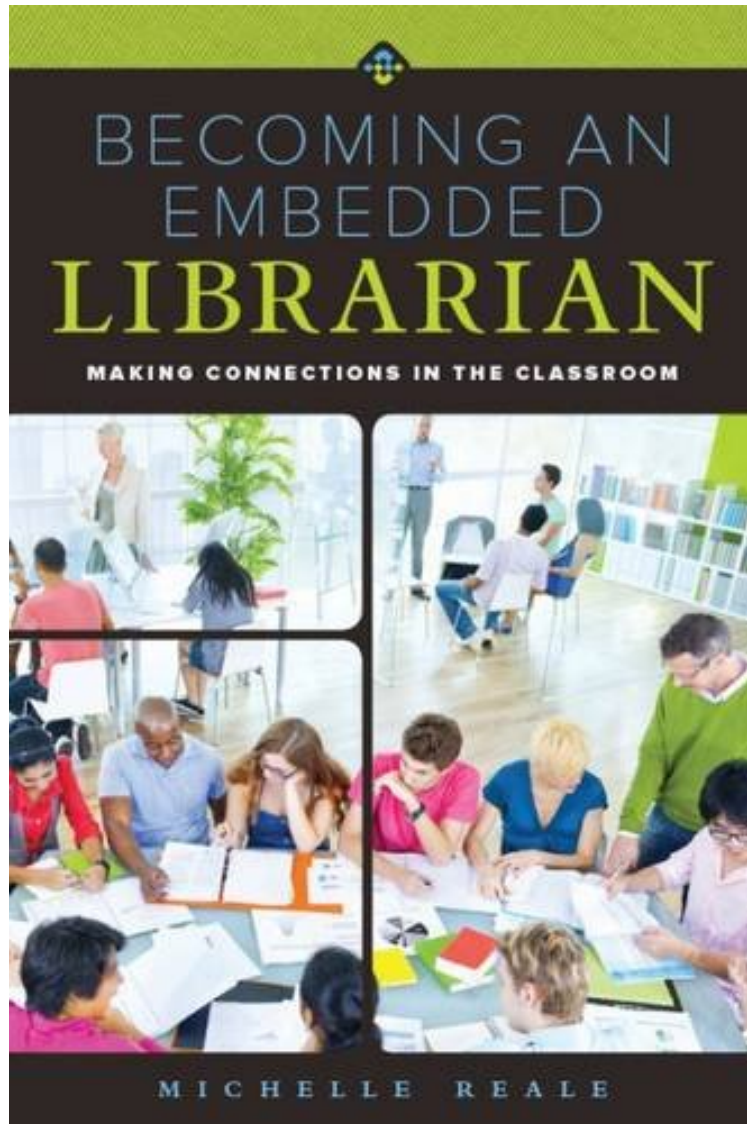


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Embedded librarianship is not one size fits all, yet many books on the subject treat it in a cold, objective manner that doesn't adequately communicate how becoming an embedded librarian actually works in the real world. Here, Reale shares her own university classroom experiences to offer a step-by-step primer for those contemplating the practice. Demystifying what can sometimes feel intimidating to academic librarians, this down to earth resource defines what embedded librarianship is, and isn't; explains why being in the classroom is so important, and how it creates communities of learning; shows how to clarify the role of the librarian in a classroom by being a facilitator of process; offers strategies for relationship building, setting goals, and honing a teaching style; and discusses embedded librarianship and branding. Readers will feel confident applying the lessons learned from Reale's first-hand account to their own experiences both in and out of the classroom.

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