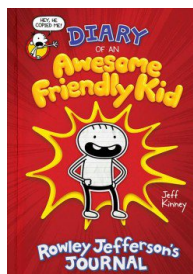


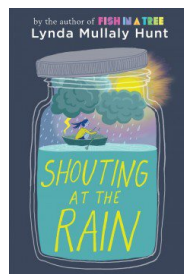


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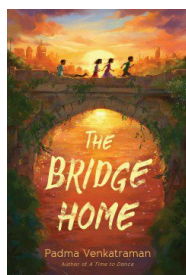
### Diary of an Awesome Friendly Kid: Rowley Jefferson's Journal

by Jeff Kinney  
Greg Heffley's best friend and biographer shares first-person insights into their middle-school experiences while making a decided mess of Greg's life story.



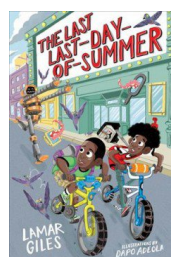
### Shouting at the Rain

by Lynda Mullaly Hunt  
Struggling with her unconventional home life and growing distance from a friend, a young meteorology enthusiast leans on the support of her Cape Cod neighbors and bonds with a tragedy-marked newcomer who helps her redefine her perspectives on family.



### The Bridge Home

by Padma Venkatraman  
Facing daunting prospects on the streets of Chennai, two runaway sisters find shelter and friendship on an abandoned bridge with two homeless boys before an illness forces them to choose between survival and freedom.



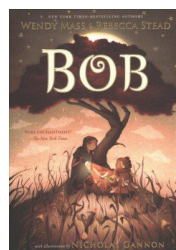
### The Last Day of Summer

by Lamar Giles  
When two adventurous cousins accidentally extend the last day of summer by freezing time, they discover that the secrets they find hidden between the unmoving seconds, minutes and hours are not as much fun as expected.



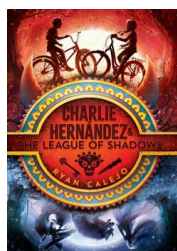
### Greystone Secrets: The Strangers

by Margaret Peterson Haddix  
Receiving reports that three children with their names and birthdates have been kidnapped, three siblings investigate complex codes, hidden rooms and a dangerous secret that turns their lives upside down.



### Bob

by Wendy Mass and Rebecca Stead  
When Visiting her grandmother in Australia, Livy, ten, is reminded of the promise she made five years before to Bob, a strange, green creature who cannot recall who or what he is.



### Charlie Hernández & the League of Shadows

by Ryan Calejo  
A pragmatic boy disregards his abuela's stories about Iberian Peninsula monsters before he undergoes an astonishing transformation and discovers his heritage as a protector of the Land of the Living.



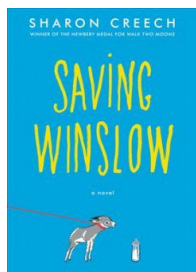
### Head Kid

by David Baddiel  
Bracket Wood is about to be visited by the school inspectors. But there's one big problem: Ryan Ward. Ryan has played so many tricks the Head Teacher walked out. The new Head Teacher, Mr Carter is so strict even the teachers are scared of him. So imagine his surprise - and Ryan's - when they swap bodies. Now Ryan is Head Teacher. It's every naughty kid's dream!

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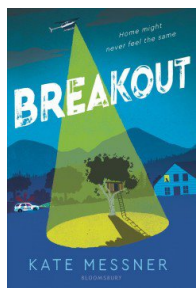
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### Saving Winslow

by Sharon Creech

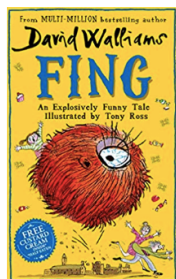
When his father brings home an ailing, newborn donkey, Louie names the animal Winslow and takes care of him, but everyone, including Louie's quirky friend Nora, thinks Winslow is not going to survive.



### Breakout

by Kate Messner

Told from multiple perspectives of middle schoolers who contribute to a time capsule project, including future journalist Nora Tucker and newcomer Elidee Jones, whose brother is in the local prison.

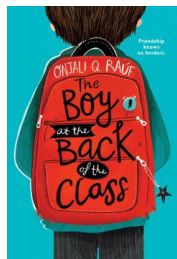


### Fing

by David Walliams

Myrtle Meek has everything she could possibly want. But everything isn't enough. She wants more, more, more! When Myrtle declares she wants a fing, there's only one problem. What is a fing? Mr and Mrs Meek will do anything to keep their darling daughter happy. Their desperate

quest leads to the depths of the jungliest jungle where the rarest creatures can be found.



### The Boy at the Back of the Class

by Onjali Q. Rauf

There used to be an empty chair at the back of my class, but now a new boy called Ahmet is sitting in it. The other students find him strange since he never talks, never smiles, and doesn't like sweets. Turns out, Ahmet is

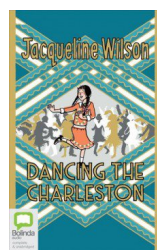
a refugee who's run away from a war. Luckily, a group of friends decide to come up with a plan to make friends with him.



### Caterpillar Summer

by Gillian McDunn

Helping to care for her beloved special-needs brother in the years after their father's passing, Cat suffers a personal setback that prompts her to visit the home of the grandparents she has never met, where she finds renewal in simply being able to be a kid.

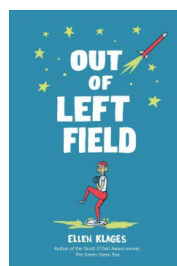


### Dancing the Charleston

by Jacqueline Wilson

In a little cottage on the edge of the grand Somerset Estate, Mona lives with her aunt. When Lady Somerset dies and a new member of the family inherits the house, Mona is propelled into a life of razzle-dazzle parties, new Bohemian friends, and wonderful trips to

London. However, even with these changes Mona discovers that she cannot dance away from her past.

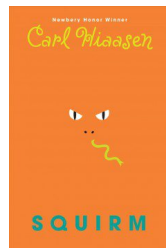


### Out of Left Field

by Ellen Klages

Disguising herself as a boy to try out for the 1958 Little League season, talented 10-year-old Katy easily makes the team but is immediately ousted when her secret is discovered, prompting her to tap her classroom knowledge of the burgeoning Civil

Rights Movement to prove that girls can do anything that boys can do. By the award-winning author of The Green Glass Sea.



### Squirm

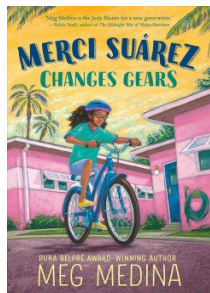
by Carl Hiaasen

This summer, Billy will fly across the country, hike a mountain, float a river, dodge a grizzly bear, shoot down a spy drone, save a neighbor's cat, save an endangered panther, and then try to save his own father who left him when he was three.

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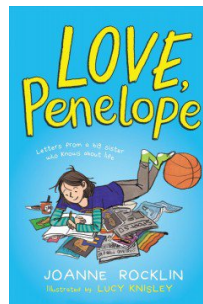
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### Merci Suárez Changes Gears

by Meg Medina

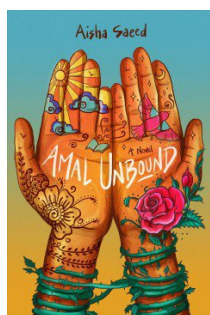
Merci Suárez relies on her close, extended family as she goes through many changes during her sixth-grade year at Florida's Seaward Pines Academy.



### Love, Penelope

by Joanne Rocklin

Fifth-grader Penny writes a series of letters to her future sibling, including facts about their Oakland, California, home, questions about whether their moms will ever marry, and especially that he or she is loved.

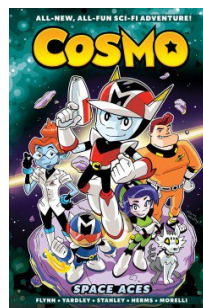


### Amal Unbound

by Aisha Saeed

Forced to leave school to care for her siblings in accordance with Pakistani village tradition, a disappointed Amal suffers an accidental run-in with the son of a corrupt landlord and is forced into indentured servitude, where her witness to her master's nefarious dealings compels her to make risky

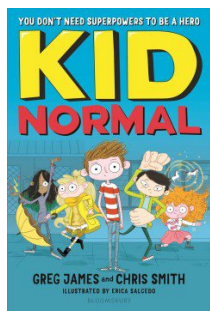
alliances in support of change.



### Cosmo: Space Aces 1

by Ian Flynn

Cosmo and his crew of Martians embark on a series of adventures throughout the solar system. Graphic Novel



### Kid Normal

by Greg James

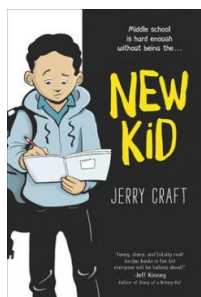
Murph Cooper, eleven, is out of his depth when his mother unknowingly enrolls him in a school for superheroes, but his normalcy may be just what is needed to defeat King Nektar.



### The Neverending Story

by Michael Ende

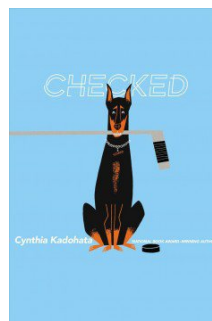
Bastian, a lonely boy, steps through the pages of a book and finds himself caught up in a dangerous quest in a magical kingdom known as Fantastica.



### New Kid

by Jerry Craft

Enrolled in a prestigious private school where he is one of only a few students of color, talented seventh-grade artist Jordan finds himself torn between the worlds of his Washington Heights apartment home and the upscale circles of Riverdale Academy. Graphic Novel



### Checked

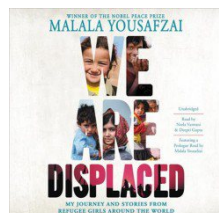
by Cynthia Kadohata

To help his dog through cancer treatment, Conor gives up hockey and finds himself considering who he is without the sport that has defined him, and connecting more with his family and best friend.

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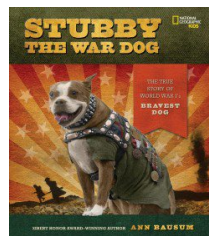


### **We Are Displaced: My Journey and Stories from Refugee Girls Around the World**

by Malala Yousafzai

Introduces displaced people from around the world to give faces to

the statistics and news stories we all see and hear.

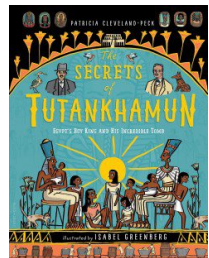


### **Stubby the War Dog**

by Ann Bausum

Learn about the heroic wartime achievements of a World War I mascot who was adopted by a soldier as an orphaned pup and who gained military honors and a display in the Smithsonian Institution for his

brave service behind enemy lines.



### **The Secrets of Tutankhamun: Egypt's Boy King and His Incredible Tomb**

by Patricia Cleveland-Peck

A compelling look at the life and legacy of the famed boy king, whose fully intact tomb gave a stunning and undisturbed perspective on ancient

Egyptian culture and uncovered secrets that continue to fascinate the world.



### **Countdown: 2979 Days to the Moon**

by Suzanne Slade

Powerful free verse and stunning illustrations tell the true story of the American effort to land the first man on the Moon. Within 10 years of President John F. Kennedy's

announced intention to land on the moon, 18 astronauts climbed into spaceships, eight rockets soared into space, and 400,000 people joined Project Apollo in hopes of making the dream a reality.

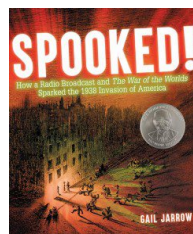


### **STEAM Labs for Kids: 52 Creative Hands-On Projects Using Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math**

by Liz Lee Heinecke

Presents experiments and activities,

with explanations of the STEAM behind the fun, and offering variations and suggestions for taking them a step or two further.

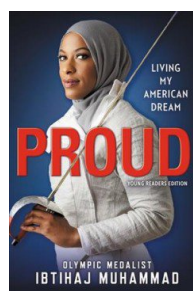


### **Spooked!: How a Radio Broadcast and "The War of the Worlds" Sparked the 1938 Invasion of America**

by Gail Jarrow

Describes the panic induced when listeners believed Orson Welles' radio

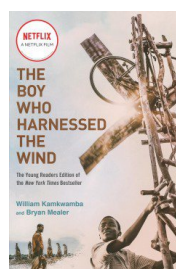
broadcast of "The War of the Worlds" to be news of an alien invasion, discussing the context in which the broadcast was aired and why it was so convincing.



### **Proud: Living My American Dream**

by Ibtihaj Muhammad

At the 2016 Rio Olympics, Ibtihaj Muhammad smashed barriers as the first American to compete wearing hijab, and made history as the first Muslim-American woman to medal. She now shares her unforgettable tale of perseverance and faith.



### **The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind: Young Readers Edition**

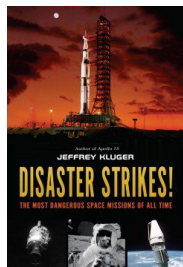
by William Kamkwamba

The author details how he ignored naysayers and was able to bring electricity and running water to his Malawian village when he built a makeshift windmill out of scrap metal.

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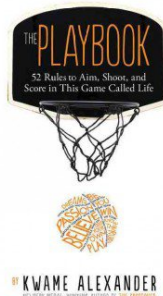


### Disaster Strikes! The Most Dangerous Space Missions of All Time

by Jeffrey Kluger

Disaster Strikes! chronicles 12 historic failures that have shaped the Russian and American space programs, sharing insights into the events of each disaster as well as the contributions of

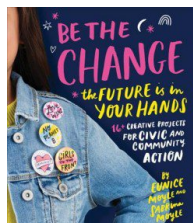
heroic astronauts and cosmonauts.



### The Playbook: 52 Rules to Aim, Shoot, and Score in This Game Called Life

by Kwame Alexander

An inspirational guide on how to succeed on the court of life in accordance with the wisdom of such role models as Nelson Mandela, LeBron James and Michelle Obama.

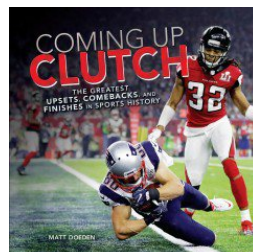


### Be the Change: The Future Is in Your Hands

by Eunice Moyle

Encourages readers to use their creativity to make the world a better place, outlining ten steps to organize for civic and community action, discussing how to handle conflict, and

providing instructions for craft projects, including posters, bumper stickers, and buttons.

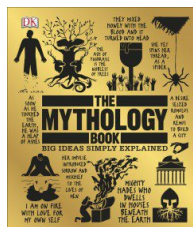


### Coming Up Clutch: The Greatest Upsets, Comebacks, and Finishes in Sports History

by Matt Doeden

Features upsets, comebacks, and clutch performances in

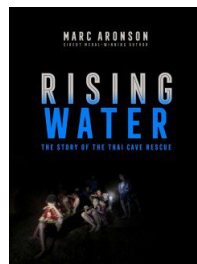
sports and recounts the miracle on ice, Lindsey Jacobellis's fall, and Christian Laettner's shot.



### The Mythology Book

by Georgie Carroll

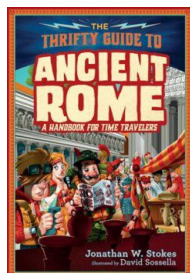
Eighty of the world's greatest myths and characters, from the gods of Greek mythology to the Norse heroes, retold and explained with engaging text and bold graphics.



### Rising Water: The Story of the Thai Cave Rescue

by Marc Aronson

An account of the incredible true story of the Wild Board soccer team's summer 2018 rescue from a flooded cave in Thailand.

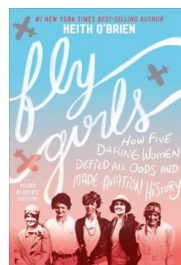


### The Thrifty Guide to Ancient Rome: A Handbook for Time Travelers

by Jonathan W. Stokes

A tongue-in-cheek introduction to Ancient Rome is presented in the style of a guide for time travelers and shares insights into culture, law, politics and entertainment, profiling

famous historical figures while outlining recommendations for surviving the era's most significant challenges.



### Fly Girls: How Five Daring Women Defied All Odds and Made Aviation History

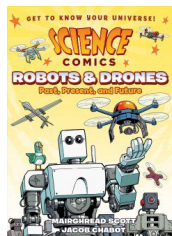
by Keith O'Brien

From NPR correspondent Keith O'Brien comes this thrilling Young Readers' edition of the untold story about pioneering women, including Amelia Earhart, who fought to compete against men in the high-stakes national air races of the 1920s and 1930s--and won.

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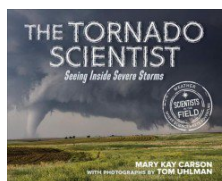
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### Robots and Drones: Past, Present, and Future

by Mairghread Scott

Presents the history of robotics, from the world's earliest mechanized robots to modern machines used in the home, in the military, and in space exploration. Graphic novel

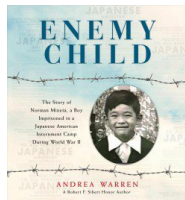


### The Tornado Scientist: Seeing Inside Severe Storms

by Mary Kay Carson

A heroic tornadogenesis scientist who studies how tornadoes form

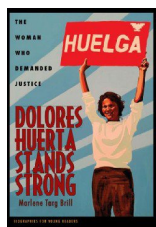
describes her team's work in a Doppler radar truck chasing storms to obtain data that may enable life-saving discoveries.



### Enemy Child: The story of Norman Mineta, a Boy Imprisoned in a Japanese American Internment Camp During World War II

by Andrea Warren

A biography of Norman Mineta, from his internment as a child in Heart Mountain Internment Camp during World War II, through his political career including serving in Congress for ten terms during which time he was instrumental in passing the Civil Liberties Act of 1988.

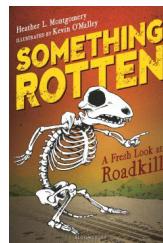


### Dolores Huerta Stands Strong: The Woman Who Demanded Justice

by Marlene Targ Brill

This book follows Huerta's life from the mining communities of the Southwest to the vineyards and fields of California. As she worked for fair treatment for others,

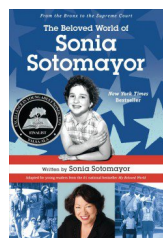
Dolores earned the nation's highest honors. More importantly, she found her voice.



### Something Rotten: A Fresh Look at Roadkill

by Heather L. Montgomery

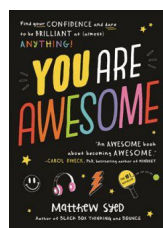
A completely gross and wholly compelling look at the scientific, artistic and culinary uses of roadkill reveals how the author, a wildlife researcher, uses roadkill to do medical studies, while others use it for trophies or even restaurant foods.



### The Beloved World of Sonia Sotomayor

by Sonia Sotomayor

The first Hispanic Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court traces her childhood ambition to become a lawyer and judge, her battle with juvenile diabetes, the economic roadblocks that challenged her goals, and the importance of how she learned to dream big.

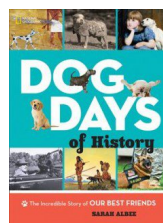


### You Are Awesome

by Matthew Syed

If you believe you can't do something, the chances are you won't try. But what if you really could get better at maths, or sport, or exams? In fact, what if you could excel at anything you put your mind to? *You Are Awesome* can help you

do just that!



### Dog Days of History: The Incredible Story of Our Best Friends

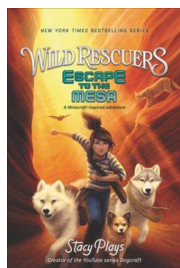
by Sarah Albee

From ancient times to the present, dogs have guarded us, worked with us, marched off to war with us, and of course, cuddled with us on the couch. Throughout the course of human history, this partnership deepened from dogs doing a service into friendship. This book tracks our common story from wild wolves in ancient civilizations to modern-day breeds.

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### Escape to the Mesa

by Stacy Hinojosa

A follow-up to *Guardians of the Taiga* finds Stacy and her Arctic wolves driven by humans from their forest home into an unknown desert, where the pack struggles against Mesa canyons, snakes and coyotes. First book: *Guardians of the Taiga*. Two

books as of 2019.



### Keeper of the Lost Cities: Flashback

by Shannon Messenger

When the Neverseen reveal that she is far more vulnerable than she imagined, Sophie begins training to fight while evaluating a risky choice that could help a beloved friend. First book: *Keeper of the Lost Cities*. Seven books as of 2019.

Book eight will be released November 2019.

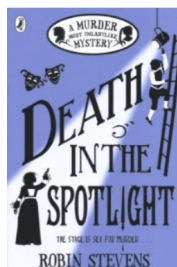


### Ultimate Football Heroes

by Matt Oldfield & Tom Oldfield

Ultimate Football Heroes is a series of biographies telling the life stories of the biggest and best footballers in the world and their incredible journeys from childhood fan to super-star professional player. Written in fast-paced, action-packed style, these books are perfect to

collect and share.

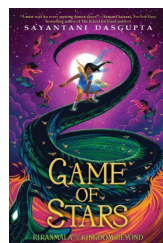


### Death in the Spotlight

by Robin Stevens

Fresh from their adventure in Hong Kong, Hazel Wong and Daisy Wells are off to the Rue Theatre in London to face an entirely new challenge: acting. But danger has a nasty habit of catching up with the Detective Society, and it soon becomes clear that there is

trouble afoot at the Rue. First book: *Murder Most Unladylike*. Seven books as of 2019. Book eight will be released August 8, 2019.

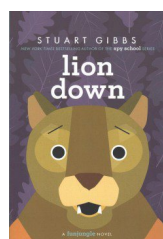


### Kiranmala and the Kingdom Beyond: Game of Stars

by Sayantani DasGupta

A sequel to *The Serpent's Secret* finds Kiranmala returning to her homeland to discover a fraying society under the tyrannical rule of an awful game show that puts both friends and enemies in

danger. First book: *Serpent's Secret*. Two books as of 2019.

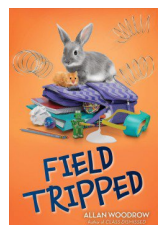


### Funjungle: Lion Down

by Stuart Gibbs

When a lion is falsely accused of killing an inflammatory radio host's famous dog, FunJungle resident sleuth Teddy Fitzroy and Summer help a renegade animal activist prove the great cat's innocence to prevent it from being

hunted. First book: *Belly Up*. Four books as of 2019.

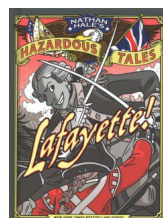


### Liberty Falls Elementary: Field Tripped

by Allan Woodrow

The fifth graders of Liberty Falls Elementary have a reputation for trouble, but they still have a field trip to the mansion of Edward Minks. While there, they search for secret inventions that are

rumored to be hidden in the mansion--but they find that they are not the only ones searching, and somehow this class of trouble-makers must work together to thwart the thieves. First book: *Class Dismissed*. Three books as of 2019.



### Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales: Lafayette! A Revolutionary War Tale

by Nathan Hale

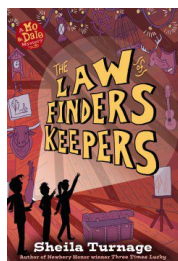
Designed for particular appeal to young Hamilton fans, a lively introduction to the French nobleman who helped save

the American Revolution traces his rise from an orphan to a major contributor to history. First book: *One Dead Spy*. Eight books as of 2019.

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### Mo & Dale Mystery: The Law of Finders Keepers

by Sheila Turnage

A conclusion to the popular series finds Tupelo Landing affected by pirate fever when an opportunistic treasure hunter arrives with claims about Blackbeard's local hoard, prompting the Desperado Detectives to investigate clues about

Mo's long-lost Upstream Mother. First book: *Three Times Lucky*. Four books as of 2019.

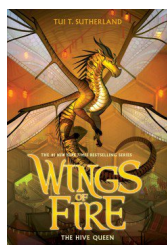


### Endling: The First

by Katherine Applegate

This sequel to the best-selling novel, *The Last*, finds Byx and her companions traveling a perilous path out of Nedarra into the snow-covered mountains of Dreyland in search of more dairnes before becoming unlikely leaders in a simmering rebellion. First

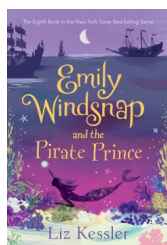
Book: *The Last*. Two books as of 2019.



### The Hive Queen

by Tui Sutherland

Rendered fugitives after stealing the Book of Clearsight, the SilkWings race to prevent a LeafWing attack while Cricket struggles to stay hidden and uncover the queen's deadly secret. First book: *The Dragonet Prophecy*. Twelve books as of 2019.



### Emily Windsnap and the Pirate Prince

by Liz Kessler

When the cruise ship taking her home is commandeered by pirates who take Aaron captive, Emily finds herself on a rescue mission that forces her to choose between her mermaid identity

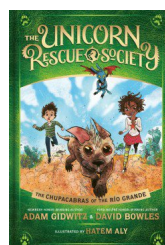
and a swashbuckling life alongside the pirate king's son. First book: *The Tale of Emily Windsnap*. Eight books as of 2019.



### Spy School: British Invasion

by Stuart Gibbs

Stranded in Mexico during his effort to capture the leaders of SPYDER, 13-year-old Ben Ripley rallies his spy school friends and England's MI6 for a rogue mission to track down the enigmatic Mr. E. First book: *Spy School*. Seven books as of 2019.

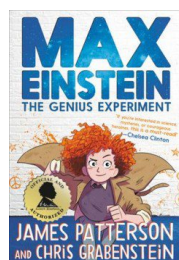


### The Unicorn Rescue Society: The Chupacabras of the Río Grande

by Adam Gidwitz

Dispatched by Professor Fauna to Laredo on the U.S.-Mexico border, Elliot and Uchenna team up with a brilliant Mexican doctor, her curandero husband

and their kids to help heal a divided community and protect the regional Chupacabras. First book: *The Creature of the Pines*. Four books as of 2019.

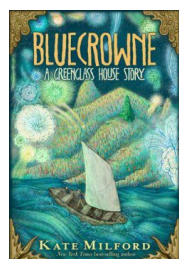


### Max Einstein: The Genius Experiment

by James Patterson

Meet 12-year-old orphan Max Einstein, a genius hacker, inventor, and chess player who is recruited into a mysterious organization that uses science to solve world problems. Book two will be released September 2019:

*Max Einstein: Rebels with a Cause*.



### Bluecrowne: A Greenglass House Story

by Kate Milford

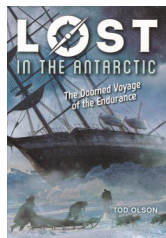
Forced to move to the safety of dry land with her stepmother, Lucy Bluecrowne misses her life aboard her father's warship before her fighting instincts are challenged by nefarious strangers who target her younger

brother. First Book: *Greenglass House*. Three books as of 2019.

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### Lost in the Antarctic: The Doomed Voyage of the Endurance

by Tod Olson

Chronicles Ernest Shackleton's expedition to the Antarctic aboard the ship Endurance, detailing the harsh conditions the crew suffered on the

frozen continent. First book: *Lost in the Pacific, 1942: Not a Drop to Drink*. Four books as of 2019.

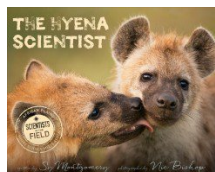


### The Storm Runner

by Jennifer Cervantes

To prevent the Mayan gods from battling each other and destroying the world, thirteen-year-old Zane must unravel an ancient prophecy, stop an evil god, and discover how the physical disability that makes him reliant on a cane also connects him to his father

and his ancestry. Book two will be released September 2019: *The Fire Keeper*.

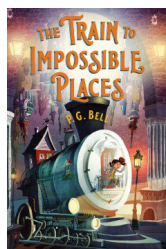


### The Hyena Scientist

by Sy Montgomery

A myth-busting latest entry in the critically acclaimed series draws on the groundbreaking research of an award-winning female scientist and

shares engaging discussions about the hyena's complexities, social nature and high intelligence. Series: *Scientists in the Field*

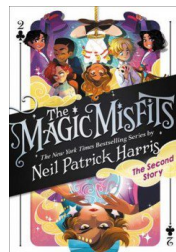


### The Train to Impossible Places: A Cursed Delivery

by P. G. Bell

When the Impossible Postal Express comes roaring through her living room, scientifically minded Suzy Smith sneaks on board only to be declared the train's Deputy Post Master, a position that requires her to make a first delivery to a

power-hungry villainess. Book two will be released October 2019: *The Great Brain Robbery*.

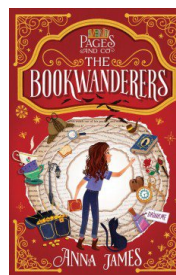


### Magic Misfits: The Second Story

by Neil Patrick Harris

Leila and the other Magic Misfits have the opportunity to perform with a famous stage psychic known as Madame Esmeralda, who may hold secrets to Leila's past. First book: *The Magic Misfits*. Book three will be

released September 2019: *Magic Misfits: The Minor Third*.

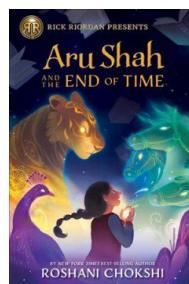


### Pages & Co.: Tilly and the Bookwanderers

by Anna James

Eleven-year-old Tilly Pages, who has found comfort in her grandparents' bookshop since her mother's disappearance, now learns that she can bookwander into any stories, and decides to seek her mother. Book two

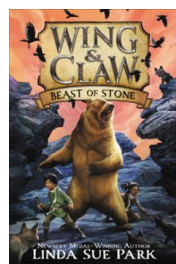
will be released September 2019: *Pages & Co.: Tilly and the Lost Fairytales*.



### Pandava: Aru Shah and the Song of Death

by Roshani Chokshi

Twelve-year-old Aru stretches the truth to fit in at her private school, but when she is dared to prove an ancient lamp is cursed, she inadvertently frees an ancient demon. First book: *Aru Shah and the End of Time*. Two books as of 2019.



### Wing & Claw: Beast of Stone

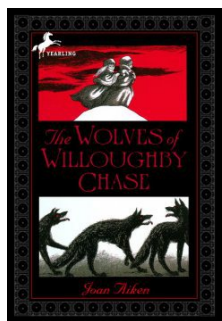
by Linda Sue Park

Apothecary Raffa and his ragtag band of allies prepare to battle the heartless Chancellor's armies, a conflict he fears will cause untold suffering for the animals being forced to fight. First book: *Forest of Wonders*. Three books as of 2019.

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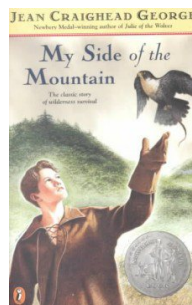
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### **The Wolves of Willoughby Chase (1987)**

by Joan Aiken

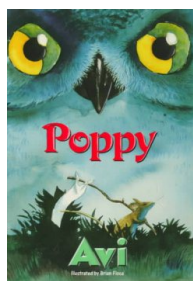
Three children become involved in a series of adventures when left under the care of a detestable governess in a rural English manor.



### **My Side of the Mountain (1959)**

by Jean Craighead George

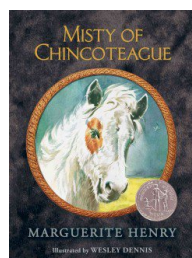
A young boy relates his adventures during the year he spends living alone in the Catskill Mountains including his struggle for survival, his dependence on nature, his animal friends, and his ultimate realization that he needs human companionship.



### **Poppy (1995)**

by Avi

Poppy, a deer mouse, urges her family to move next to a field of corn big enough to feed them all forever, but Mr. Ocax, a terrifying owl, has other ideas. \*Also a series

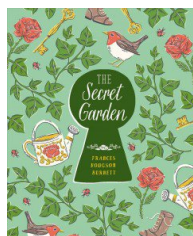


### **Misty of Chincoteague (1947)**

by Marguerite Henry

On an island off the coasts of Virginia and Maryland lives a centuries-old band of wild ponies. Among them is the most mysterious of all, Phantom, a rarely seen mare that eludes all efforts to capture her--that is, until a

young boy and girl lay eyes on her and determine that they can't live without her.



### **The Secret Garden (1911)**

by Frances Hodgson Burnett

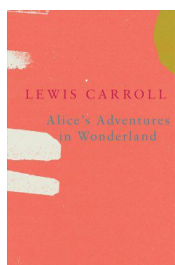
Ten-year-old Mary comes to live in a lonely house on the Yorkshire moors and discovers an invalid cousin and the mysteries of a locked garden.



### **When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit (1971)**

by Judith Kerr

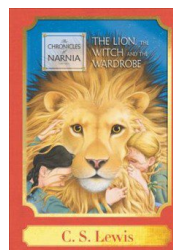
Portrays the experiences of a nine-year-old Jewish girl and her family as they are forced to leave Hitler's Germany to seek refuge in neighboring countries.



### **Alice's Adventures in Wonderland (1865)**

by Lewis Carroll

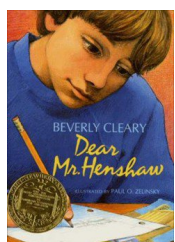
A little girl falls down a rabbit hole and discovers a world of nonsensical and amusing characters



### **The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe (1950)**

by C. S. Lewis

Four English schoolchildren find their way through the back of a wardrobe into the magic land of Narnia and assist Aslan, the golden lion, to triumph over the White Witch, who has cursed the land with eternal winter.



### **Dear Mr. Henshaw (1983)**

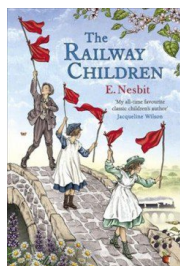
by Beverly Cleary

Leigh Botts writes letters to his favorite author asking for information and describing his own life since his parents got divorced.

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### **The Railway Children (1906)**

by E. Nesbit

When their father is sent away to prison, three London children move to the country where they keep busy preventing accidents on the nearby railway, making many new friends, and generally learning a good deal about themselves.

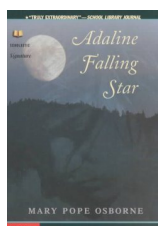


### **Silverwing (1997)**

by Kenneth Oppel

When a newborn bat named Shade but sometimes called "Runt" becomes separated from his colony during migration, he grows in ways that prepare him for even greater journeys.

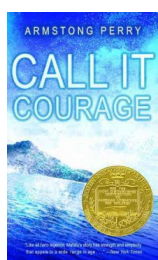
\*Also a series



### **Adaline Falling Star (2000)**

by Mary Pope Osborne

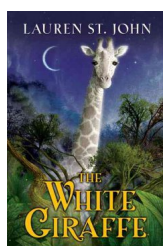
When Adaline Falling Star goes in search of her missing father, scout Kit Carson, she ends up on a challenging wilderness adventure that causes her to learn a great deal about herself.



### **Call It Courage (1940)**

by Armstrong Sperry

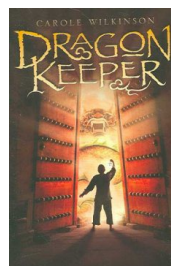
Relates how Mafatu, a young Polynesian boy whose name means Stout Heart, overcomes his terrible fear of the sea and proves his courage to himself and his people.



### **The White Giraffe (2006)**

by Lauren St. John

After a fire kills her parents, eleven-year-old Martine must leave England to live with her grandmother on a wildlife game reserve in South Africa, where she befriends a mythical white giraffe. \*Also a series

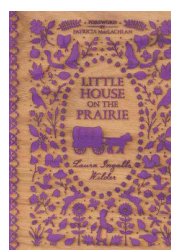


### **Dragon Keeper (2003)**

by Carole Wilkinson

When a nameless orphan saves the life of an old dragon, she fulfills her destiny as a Dragon Keeper, which forever changes the direction of her life as she, along with the dragon, journey across China to keep the dragon's legacy safe, while battling against dragon hunters

and evil villains. \*Also a series



### **Little House On the Prairie (1935)**

by Laura Ingalls Wilder

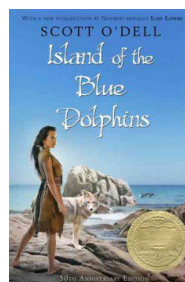
A family travels from the big woods of Wisconsin to a new home on the prairie, where they build a house, meet neighboring Indians, build a well, and fight a prairie fire. \*Also a series



### **The Trumpet of the Swan (1970)**

by E. B. White

Louis, a voiceless Trumpeter swan, finds himself far from his wilderness home when he determines to communicate by learning to play a stolen trumpet.



### **Island of the Blue Dolphins (1960)**

by Scott O'Dell

After she is left alone on an isolated island off the coast of California, Karana, a young Indian girl, not only learns the art of survival over the next eighteen years, but also finds a measure of happiness in her solitary life.

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