

GRADES 4-5

PICTURE BOOK

Sanna

Journey

J FICTION

Anderson

Insert Coin to Continue

Middle-schooler Bryan wakes up to find that his life has become a video game, with bullies to beat, races to run, puzzles to solve, and much more at stake.

Anderson

Ms. Bixby's Last Day

Loving their gifted teacher, three boys are dismayed when the teacher falls ill and leaves for the rest of the school year, a situation that compels them to share their stories while cutting class and journeying across town together on a fateful day.

Bauer

Soar

Jeremiah is the world's biggest baseball fan. He really loves baseball and he knows just about everything there is to know about his favorite sport. So when he's told he can't play baseball following an operation on his heart, Jeremiah decides he'll do the next best thing and become a coach. Hillcrest, where Jeremiah and his father Walt have just moved, is a town known for its championship baseball team. But Jeremiah finds the town caught up in a scandal and about ready to give up on baseball. It's up to Jeremiah and his can-do spirit to get the town - and the team - back in the game

☀Beasley

Gertie's Leap to Greatness

Gertie is a girl on a mission to be the best fifth grader ever in order to show her estranged mother that Gertie doesn't need her--not one bit!

🎵☀Beaty

Serafina and the Black Cloak

In 1899, a twelve-year-old rat catcher on North Carolina's Biltmore estate teams up with the estate owner's young nephew to battle a great evil and, in the process, unlocks the puzzle of her past.

Cao

Bronze and Sunflower

Sunflower is an only child, and when her father is sent to the rural Cadre School, she has to go with him. Her father is an established artist from the city and finds his new life of physical labor and endless meetings exhausting. Sunflower is lonely and longs to play with the local children in the village across the river. When her father tragically drowns, Sunflower is taken in by the poorest family in the village, a family with a son named Bronze. Until Sunflower joins his family, Bronze was an only child, too, and hasn't spoken a word since he was traumatized by a terrible fire. Bronze and Sunflower become inseparable, understanding each other as only the closest friends can.

Cirrone

First Last Day

Eleven-year-old Haleigh Adams paints a picture with a mysterious set of paints found and now she is stuck in a time loop, but when she realizes her parents have been keeping a secret she and her new best friend Kevin must find the source of the magic paints and the secret of the time loop before it is too late.

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☀Cleverly

Lost Twin

After her troublemaking twin, Scarlet, vanishes from Rookwood boarding school, shy Ivy tries to track her down, using pieces of Scarlet's journal carefully hidden all over the school for Ivy to find.

Coats

The Many Reflections of Miss Jane Deming

High-spirited young Jane is excited to be part of Mr. Mercer's plan to bring Civil War widows and orphans to Washington Territory--but life out west isn't at all what she expected. Washington Territory is just the place for men of broad mind and sturdy constitution--and girls too, Jane figures, or Mr. Mercer wouldn't have allowed her to come on his expedition to bring unmarried girls and Civil War widows out west. Jane's constitution is sturdy enough. She's been taking care of her baby brother ever since Papa was killed in the war and her young stepmother had to start working long days at the mill. The problem, she fears, is her mind. It might not be suitably broad because she had to leave school to take care of little Jer. Still, a new life awaits in Washington Territory, and Jane plans to make the best of it. Except Seattle doesn't turn out to be quite as advertised. In this rough-and-tumble frontier town, Jane is going to need every bit of that broad mind and sturdy constitution--not to mention a good sense of humor and a stubborn streak a mile wide.

🎵☀Creech

Moo

Follows the efforts of twelve-year-old Reena, who has recently moved to rural Maine, to adjust to a new environment while unexpectedly bonding with an ornery cow.

Crum

William and the Witch's Riddle

William must solve a witch's riddle in order to save his family and end a centuries-long curse.

Giff

Jubilee

Judith stopped talking long ago when Mom left her in the care of beloved Aunt Cora. Going back into a regular fifth-grade classroom won't be easy, but she has her Dog and new friend who will help her through.

☀Grabenstein

Home Sweet Motel

P.T. and his friend Gloria must solve a mystery at the world's wackiest motel: The Wonderland.

🎵☀Graff

A Clatter of Jars

It's summertime and everyone is heading off to camp. For Talented kids, the place to be is Camp Atropos, where they can sing songs by the campfire, practice for the Talent show, and take some nice long dips in the lake. But what the kids don't know is that they've been gathered for a reason--one that the camp's director wants to keep hidden at all costs. Meanwhile, a Talent jar that has been dropped to the bottom of the lake has sprung a leak, and strange things have begun to happen. Dozens of seemingly empty jars have been washing up on the shoreline, Talents have been swapped, and memories have been ripped from one camper's head and placed into another. And no one knows why.

Hicks

Secrets of Shakespeare's Grave

Twelve-year-old Colophon Letterford has a serious mystery on her hands. Will she discover the link between her family's literary legacy and Shakespeare's tomb before it's too late?

Hodder

Rat Prince

A new take on the Cinderella story, told from her point of view as well as that of a royal rat turned coachman.

Hubbard

Race the Night

Eider might be living at the end of the world, but that won't stop her from searching for the things that could make it all begin again--especially after Teacher announces a mysterious new type of lessons that turn her life upside down.

☀Kitchings

Yard War

Twelve-year-old Trip Westbrook lives in Jackson, Mississippi, in 1964 and discovers the underlying racism in his family and neighborhood when he invites his maid's son Dee to play football in the yard.

Kress

Door in the Alley

This is one of those stories that start with a pig in a teeny hat. It's not the one you're thinking about. (This story is way better than that one.) This pig-in-a-teeny-hat story starts when a very uninquisitive boy stumbles upon a very mysterious society. After that, there is danger and adventure; there are missing persons, hired thugs, a hidden box, a lost map, and famous explorers; and there is a girl looking for help that only uninquisitive boys can offer.

🎵☀Korman

Masterminds

Eli Frieden lives in the most perfect town in the world: Serenity, New Mexico. Honesty and integrity are valued above all else. The thirty kids who live there never lie—they know it's a short leap from that to the awful problems of other, less fortunate places. Eli has never left Serenity . . . why would he ever want to? Then one day, he bikes to the edge of the city limits and something so crazy and unexpected happens, it changes everything. Eli convinces his friends to help him investigate further, and soon it becomes clear that nothing is as it seems in Serenity. The clues mount to reveal a shocking discovery, connecting their ideal crime-free community to some of the greatest criminal masterminds ever known. The kids realize they can trust no one—least of all their own parents.

Martin

Edge of Extinction: The Ark Plan

A century and a half after cloned dinosaurs forced humans to move into underground compounds, Sky discovers a clue to the whereabouts of her long-missing father and ventures above ground on a quest that has the potential to save the world.

McGovern

Just My Luck

Fourth grade is not going at all how Benny Barrows hoped. He hasn't found a new best friend. He's still not a great bike rider—even though his brother George, who's autistic, can do tricks. And worst of all, he worries his dad's recent accident might be all his fault. Benny tries to take his mom's advice and focus on helping others, and to take things one step at a time. But when his dad ends up in the hospital again, Benny doesn't know how he and his family will overcome all the bad luck that life seems to have thrown their way.

☀Messner

The Seventh Wish

Charlie feels like she's always coming in last. From her Mom's new job to her sister's life away at college, everything else always seems to be more important than Charlie's upcoming dance competition or science project. Unsure of how to get her family's attention, Charlie comes across the surprise of her life one day while ice-fishing . . . in the form of a floppy, scaly fish offering to grant her a wish in exchange for its freedom. Charlie can't believe her luck until she realizes that this fish has a funny way of granting wishes, despite her best intentions. But when her family faces a challenge bigger than any they've ever experienced, Charlie wonders if some things might be too important to risk on a wish.

Middleton

Infinity Year of Avalon James

Facing bullying at home and her family being torn apart, Avalon anxiously waits with her best friend, Atticus, for the magical power they are supposed to inherit between their tenth and eleventh birthdays.

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Murphy

Revenge of the Green Banana

Jimmy Murphy's sixth grade teacher, Sister Angelica Rose, is out to get him. She humiliates him in class and punishes him when he hasn't done anything wrong. She even forces him to perform onstage with second-graders, wearing a giant green banana costume. A classic underachiever with a talent for trouble, Jimmy wants revenge, and with his friends he plans a prank that will embarrass Sister Angelica in front of the whole school. What could possibly go wrong?

O'Connor

Wish

A story about a girl who, with the help of the dog of her dreams, discovers that family doesn't always have to be related--they are simply people who love you for who you are.

Peers

William Wenton and the Impossible Puzzle

Twelve-year-old William Wenton is a puzzle-solving genius. He lives with his family in a quiet Norwegian town. They used to live in England, but eight years ago his family suddenly packed up, moved away, and even changed their last name! Neither of his parents will offer an explanation or tell William why he has to keep his talent for solving codes and puzzles a secret. But then a special exhibit comes to the local museum: the Impossible Puzzle. The experts say it is unsolvable, but William's sure that he can crack it if he gets a chance.

Peyton

Silo and the Rebel Raiders

A ten-year-old boy who can see the future is recruited by the Capitol to help keep the people safe.

Ponti

FRAMED!

In Washington, D.C., twelve-year-old Florian Bates, a consulting detective for the FBI, and his best friend Margaret help thwart the biggest art heist in United States history.

☀Russell

Misadventures of Max Crumbly: Locker Hero

Questioning his resolve to attend public school after being homeschooled when he is targeted by a bully, Max aspires to become like his favorite comic book heroes and finds an unexpected opportunity to be the hero his middle school needs.

☀Shevah

Dara Palmer's Major Drama

Dara Palmer dreams of being an actress, but when she does not get a part in the school play she wonders if it is because of her different looks as an adopted girl from Cambodia, so Dara becomes determined not to let prejudice stop her from being in the spotlight.

🎵☀Sloan

Short

Julia is very short for her age, but by the end of the summer run of *The Wizard of Oz*, she'll realize how big she is inside, where it counts. She hasn't ever thought of herself as a performer, but when the wonderful director of *Oz* casts her as a Munchkin, she begins to see herself in a new way. As Julia becomes friendly with the poised and wise Olive--one of the adults with dwarfism who've joined the production's motley crew of Munchkins--and with her deeply artistic neighbor, Mrs. Chang, Julia's own sense of self as an artist grows. Soon, she doesn't want to fade into the background--and it's a good thing, because her director has more big plans for Julia!

☀Torres

Stef Soto, Taco Queen

Estefania "Stef" Soto is itching to shake off the onion-and-cilantro embrace of Tia Perla, her family's taco truck. She wants nothing more than for Papi to get a normal job and for Tia Perla to be a distant memory. Then maybe everyone at school will stop seeing her as the Taco Queen. But when her family's livelihood is threatened, and it looks like her wish will finally come true, Stef surprises everyone (including herself) by becoming the truck's unlikely champion.

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Vance

Behind the Canvas

Seventh-grader Claudia Miravista loves art, but socially she is always the odd girl out--but on a trip to the local art museum she sees a boy in a painting, who moves from painting to painting, and soon she embarks on an adventure behind the canvas, determined to free the boy Pim from the artistic prison he has endured for over three hundred years.

☀Vickers

Like Magic

Three ten-year-old girls find a mysterious box in the school library and put some of their own precious things inside. The treasures may lead them to something more: true friendship.

Walliams

Grandpa's Great Escape

Grandpa is Jack's favorite person in the world. It doesn't matter that he wears his slippers to the supermarket, serves Spam a la Custard for dinner, and often doesn't remember Jack's name. But then Grandpa starts to believe he's back in World War II, when he was a Spitfire fighter pilot, and he's sent to live in an old folk's home run by the sinister Matron Swine. Now it's up to Jack to help Grandpa plot a daring escape!

Weeks

Save Me a Seat

Ravi has just moved to the United States from India and has always been at the top of his class; Joe has lived in the same town his whole life and has learning problems--but when their lives intersect in the first week of fifth grade they are brought together by a common enemy (the biggest bully in their class) and the need to take control of their lives.

J MIDDLE SCHOOL COLLECTION

☀LeFluer

Beautiful Blue World

Sofarende is at war and the army is paying families well to recruit children, so if twelve-year-old Mathilde or her best friend Megs is chosen, they hope to help their families but fear they will be separated forever.

☀Swartz

Finding Perfect

With some help from her siblings and friends, Molly is able to face her OCD and be strong enough to get help for it.

J GRAPHIC

Brown

Lucy & Andy Neanderthal

Feuti

King of Kazoo

Frampton

Oddly Normal, Book 1

Hale

One Trick Pony

☀Hatke v1

Mighty Jack

Larson

Compass South

Loux

The Time Museum

Phelan

Snow White

Reynolds

Caveboy Dave: More Scrawny than Brawney

Weing v1

Creepy Case Files of Margo Maloo

Xu

Newsprints

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J NON-FICTION

J 292 Byrd	<i>Jason and the Argonauts</i>
J 400 Litton	<i>Hello World</i>
J 507.8 Challoner	<i>Maker Lab: Make Your Own Science Experiments</i>
J523.8 Schneider	<i>Night Sky</i>
J 599.63 Dagg	<i>Five Giraffes</i>
J 623.835 Nolan	<i>Seven and a Half Tons of Steal</i>
J 796.22 Lakin	<i>Made by Hand: Skateboards</i>
J 796.357 Doeden	<i>The Negro Leagues: Celebrating Baseball's Unsung Heroes</i>
J 912 Brooks	<i>Children's Illustrated Atlas</i>
J 973.04 Bolden	<i>How To Build a Museum</i>

J BIOGRAPHIES

J BIO GINSBURG Levy	<i>I Dissent: Ruth Bader Ginsburg Makes Her Mark</i>
J BIO HERNANDEZ Hernandez	<i>I Got This: To Gold and Beyond</i>