

KINDERGARTEN TO SECOND GRADE

Acorn Was a Little Wild. Jen Arena; illustrated by Jessica Gibson. ISBN 9781534483156. Simon & Schuster / Simon & Schuster BFYR.

Being Friends with Dragons. Katherine Locke; illustrated by Diane Ewen. ISBN 9780762473243. Hachette / Running Press Kids.

Big and Small and In-Between. Carter Higgins; illustrated by Daniel Miyares. ISBN 9781452166506. Chronicle Books.

Blue Baboon Finds Her Tune. Helen Docherty; illustrated by Thomas Docherty. ISBN 9781728238906. Sourcebooks / Sourcebooks Jabberwocky.

Blue Bison Needs a Haircut. Scott Rothman; illustrated by Pete Oswald. ISBN 9780593428160. Random House Children's Books / Random House Studio.

Blurp's Book of Manners. written and illustrated by Cindy Derby. ISBN 9781250810359. Macmillan / Roaring Brook Press.

Come On In: There's a Party in this Book! Jamie Michalak; illustrated by Sabine Timm. ISBN 9781662640001. Astra Books for Young Readers / minedition.

The Comet. written and illustrated by Joe Todd-Stanton. ISBN 9781838740658. Nobrow US Inc. / Flying Eye Books.

Creepy Crayon! Aaron Reynolds; illustrated by Peter Brown. ISBN 9781534465886. Simon & Schuster / Simon & Schuster BFYR.

Dodos Are NOT Extinct! written and illustrated by Paddy Donnelly. ISBN 9781953458209. Yeehoo Press.

Does a Bulldozer Have a Butt? Derick Wilder; illus. K-Fai Steele. ISBN 9781452182124. Chronicle Books.

Doggie. written and illustrated by Nancy Armo. ISBN 9781605376059. Clavis.

Don't Hug the Quokka. Daniel Errico; illustrated by Mia Powell. ISBN 9781433837067. American Psychological Association.

Every Dog in the Neighborhood. Philip C. Stead; illustrated by Matthew Cordell. ISBN 9780823444274. Holiday House / Neal Porter Books.

CHILDREN'S FAVORITES

Farmhouse. written and illustrated by Sophie Blackall. ISBN 9780316528948.
Little Brown Books for Young Readers.

Gold! written and illustrated by David Shannon. ISBN 9780593352274. Penguin Young Readers / Viking BFYR.

Have You Eaten?: A Story of Food, Friendship, and Kindness. Su Youn Lee.
ISBN 9781250791146. Macmillan / Feiwel & Friends.

Hey, Bruce!: An Interactive Book. written and illustrated by Ryan T. Higgins.
ISBN 9781368084116. Disney Publishing Worldwide / Disney Hyperion.

Howard the Average Gecko. Wendy Meddour; illustrated by Carmen Saldaña.
ISBN 9781682634349. Holiday House / Peachtree.

Hush, Little Trucker. Kim Norman; illustrated by Toshiki Nakamura. ISBN 9781419746444.
ABRAMS / Abrams Children's Books / Abrams Books for Young Readers.

I Can't Draw. Stephen W. Martin; illustrated by Brian Biggs. ISBN 9781534493414.
Simon & Schuster / Margaret K. McElderry Books.

I Want to be a Vase. Julio Torres; illustrated by Julian Glander. ISBN 9781534493902.
Simon & Schuster / Atheneum BFYR.

Is This Your Class Pet? written and illustrated by Troy Cummings. ISBN 9780593432167.
Random House Children's Books / Random House BFYR.

It's A Sign! Mo Willems, Jarrett Pumphrey, and Jerome Pumphrey; illustrated by Jarrett Pumphrey and Jerome Pumphrey. ISBN 9781368075848. Disney Publishing Worldwide / HBFC.

King Kong's Cousin. written and illustrated by Mark Teague. ISBN 9781665912303.
Simon & Schuster / Beach Lane Books.

Moody Moody Cars. Eileen Kennedy-Moore and Michael Furman. ISBN 9781433836992.
American Psychological Association.

Music Is a Rainbow. written and illustrated by Bryan Collier. ISBN 9780316537421.
Little Brown Books for Young Readers.

Never Teach a Stegosaurus to Do Sums. Rashmi Sirdeshpande; illustrated by Diane Ewen.
ISBN 9781684643424. Kane Miller, A Division of EDC Publishing.

Noodle and the No Bones Day. Jonathan Graziano; illustrated by Dan Tavis.
ISBN 9781665927109. Simon & Schuster / Margaret K. McElderry Books.

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Not a Cat. Winter Miller; illustrated by Danica Novgorodoff. ISBN 9780884488798. Tilbury House.

Not Enough Lollipops. Megan Maynor; illustrated by Micah Player. ISBN 9780593372562. Random House Children's Books / Alfred A. Knopf BFYR.

Octopus Shocktopus! Peter Bently; illustrated by Steven Lenton. ISBN 9781536223965. Candlewick Press.

Our World is a Family. Miry Whitehill and Jennifer Jackson; illustrated by Normar Perez. ISBN 9781728231839. Sourcebooks / Sourcebooks Explore.

Polar Bear. Candace Fleming; illustrated by Eric Rohmann. ISBN 9780823449163. Holiday House / Neal Porter Books.

Pretty Perfect Kitty-Corn. Shannon Hale; illustrated by LeUyen Pham. ISBN 9781419750939. ABRAMS / Abrams Children's Books / Abrams Books for Young Readers.

The Sour Grape. Jory John; illustrated by Pete Oswald. ISBN 9780063045415. HarperCollins.

A Spark in the Dark. written and illustrated by Pam Fong. ISBN 9780063136533. HarperCollins / Greenwillow Books.

The Three Billy Goats Gruff. Mac Barnett; illustrated by Jon Klassen. ISBN 9781338673845. Scholastic / Orchard Books.

Twelve Dinging Doorbells. Tameka Fryer Brown; illustrated by Ebony Glenn. ISBN 9781984815170. Penguin Young Readers / Kokila.

Wake Me Up in 20 Coconuts. written and illustrated by Laurie Keller. ISBN 9780316311960. Little Brown Books for Young Readers / Christy Ottaviano Books.

A Wee Boo. Jessica Boyd; illustrated by Brooke Kerrigan. ISBN 9781459827639. Orca Book Publishers.

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THIRD TO FIFTH GRADE

Animal BFFs. written and illustrated by Sophie Corrigan. ISBN 9780711260177.
The Quarto Group / Frances Lincoln Children's Books.

Bake Infinite Pie with X + Y. Eugenia Cheng; illustrated by Amber Ren. ISBN 9780759556867.
Little Brown Books for Young Readers.

Because of You, John Lewis. Andrea Davis Pinkney; illustrated by Keith Henry Brown.
ISBN 9781338759082. Scholastic / Scholastic Press.

Big Nate: Beware of Low-Flying Corn Muffins. Lincoln Peirce. ISBN 9781524871574.
Andrews McMeel Publishing.

Big Nate: Destined for Awesomeness. Lincoln Peirce. ISBN 9781524875602.
Andrews McMeel Publishing.

Blast Off!: How Mary Sherman Morgan Fueled America into Space. Suzanne Slade; illustrated
by Sally W. Comport. ISBN 9781684372416. Astra Books for Young Readers / Calkins Creek.

Breaking Through the Clouds: The Sometimes Turbulent Life of Meteorologist Joanne Simpson.
Sandra Nickel; illustrated by Helena Perez Garcia. ISBN 9781419749568. ABRAMS / Abrams
Children's Books / Abrams Books for Young Readers.

Bristlecone: The Secret Life of the World's Oldest Tree. Alexandra Siy; illustrated by Marlo
Garnsworthy. ISBN 9781970039030. Web of Life Children's Books.

**Building an Orchestra of Hope: How Favio Chavez Taught Children to Make Music from
Trash.** Carmen Oliver; illustrated by Luisa Uribe. ISBN 9780802854674. Eerdmans / Eerdmans
Books for Young Readers.

Built By Animals. Christiane Dorion; illustrated by Yeji Yun. ISBN 9780711265707.
The Quarto Group / Wide Eyed Editions.

Cat & Cat Adventures: The Goblet of Infinity. written and illustrated by Susie Yi.
ISBN 9780063083844. HarperCollins / HarperAlley.

Cat Kid Comic Club #3: On Purpose. written and illustrated by Dav Pilkey.
ISBN 9781338801941. Scholastic / Graphix.

Counting in Dog Years and Other Sassy Math Poems. Betsy Franco; illustrated by
Priscilla Tey. ISBN 9781536201161. Candlewick Press.

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Dressing Up the Stars. Jeanne W Harvey; illustrated by Diana Toledano. ISBN 9781534451056. Simon & Schuster / Beach Lane Books.

Eighteen Vats of Water. Ji li Jiang; illustrated by Nadia Hsieh. ISBN 9781954354067. Creston Books.

The Gardener of Alcatraz. Emma Bland Smith; illustrated by Jenn Ely. ISBN 9781623541606. Charlesbridge.

The Girl in White. Lindsay Currie. ISBN 9781728236544. Sourcebooks / Sourcebooks Young Readers.

Her Name Was Mary Katharine: The Only Woman Whose Name Is on the Declaration of Independence. Ella Schwartz; illustrated by Dow Phumiruk. ISBN 9780316298322. Little Brown Books for Young Readers / Christy Ottaviano Books.

Hispanic Star: Celia Cruz. Claudia Romo Edelman and William Alexander. ISBN 9781250828132. Macmillan / Roaring Brook Press.

I Hate Borsch! written and illustrated by Yevgenia Nayberg. ISBN 9780802855800. Eerdmans / Eerdmans Books for Young Readers.

InvestiGators: Heist and Seek. John Patrick Green. ISBN 9781250849885. Macmillan / First Second.

It's So Difficult. written and illustrated by Raúl Nieto Guridi. ISBN 9780802855848. Eerdmans / Eerdmans Books for Young Readers.

A Land of Books: Dreams of Young Mexihcah Word Painters. written and illustrated by Duncan Tonatiuh. ISBN 9781419749421. ABRAMS / Abrams Children's Books / Abrams Books for Young Readers.

Let's Play Ddakji. Im Seo-Ha; illustrated by Jang Joon-Young. ISBN 9781612545837. Brown Books Publishing / Brown Books Kids.

A Life of Service: The Story of Senator Tammy Duckworth. Christina Soontornvat; illustrated by Dow Phumiruk. ISBN 9781536222050. Candlewick Press.

Masato's Garden. Jerry Ruff; illustrated by Maya Onodera. ISBN 9781605377117. Clavis.

Monster and Me 1: Who's the Scaredy-Cat? Cort Lane; illustrated by Ankitha Kini. ISBN 9781499812923. Little Bee Books.

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The Mother of a Movement. Rob Sanders; illustrated by Sam Kalda. ISBN 9781433840203. American Psychological Association.

Otters: River or Sea? A Compare and Contrast Book. Cathleen McConnell. ISBN 9781643519784. Arbordale Publishing.

Out of This World: Star-Studded Haiku. Sally M. Walker; illustrated by Matthew Trueman. ISBN 9781536203561. Candlewick Press.

Penguins: A Compare and Contrast Book. Cher Vatalaro. ISBN 9781643519876. Arbordale Publishing.

Pooper Snooper. Jennifer Keats Curtis and Julianne Ubigau; illustrated by Phyllis Saroff. ISBN 9781643518237. Arbordale Publishing.

The Spoiled Boy With The Terribly Dry Throat (English-Ukrainian Edition). Idries Shah; illustrated by Silvara Kossem. ISBN 9781953292681. Hoopoe Books.

The Sweetest Scoop: Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Revolution. Lisa Robinson; illustrated by Stacy Innerst. ISBN 9781419748035. ABRAMS / Abrams Children's Books / Abrams Books for Young Readers.

Sylvie. Jean Reidy; illustrated by Lucy Cummins. ISBN 9781534463486. Simon & Schuster / Atheneum BFYR.

The Tryout: A Graphic Novel. Christina Soontornvat and Joanna Cacao. ISBN 9781338741308. Scholastic / Graphix.

Want a Hug? Christine Babinec; illustrated by Vivan Mineker. ISBN 9781641703062. Familius.

When the Sky Glows. Nell C. Beckerman; illustrated by David Litchfield. ISBN 9781534450394. Simon & Schuster / Beach Lane Books.

Why? Animals: 99+ Awesome Answers for Curious Kids. Julie Beer. ISBN 9781426372759. National Geographic Kids Books.

The Yippee Stick. written and illustrated by Roel Seidell. ISBN 9781605377902. Clavis.

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SIXTH TO EIGHTH GRADE

All Through the Night: Important Jobs That Get Done at Night. Polly Faber; illustrated by Harriet Hobday. 32 pp. ISBN 9781536227512. Candlewick Press. K-2

1-2-3 Scream! R. U. Ginns; illustrated by Javier Espila. ISBN 9780593374078. Random House Children's Books / Delacorte Press.

12 to 22. Jen Calonita. ISBN 9780593433362. Random House Children's Books / Delacorte Press.

Agent 9: Mind Control! (Book 2). James Burks. ISBN 9780593202999. Penguin Young Readers / Razorbill.

Aliens: Join the Scientists Searching Space for Extraterrestrial Life. Joalda Morancy and Amy Grimes; illustrated by Amy Grimes. ISBN 9781684492534. Macmillan / Neon Squid.

Amari and the Great Game. B. B. Alston. ISBN 9780062975195. HarperCollins / Balzer + Bray.

Amira & Hamza: The Quest for the Ring of Power. Samira Ahmed. ISBN 9780316318617. Little Brown Books for Young Readers.

Answers in the Pages. David Levithan. ISBN 9780593484685. Random House Children's Books / Alfred A. Knopf BFYR.

The Antiracist Kid. Tiffany Jewell; illustrated by Nicole Miles. ISBN 9780358629399. HarperCollins / Versify.

An Atlas of Lost Kingdoms. Emily Hawkins; illustrated by Lauren Baldo. ISBN 9780711262829. The Quarto Group / Wide Eyed Editions.

Attack of the Black Rectangles. A. S. King. ISBN 9781338680522. Scholastic / Scholastic Press.

Batpig: Too Pig to Fail. written and illustrated by Rob Harrell. ISBN 9780593354209. Penguin Young Readers / Dial Books.

Camp Scare. Delilah S. Dawson. ISBN 9780593373262. Random House Children's Books / Delacorte Press.

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Diper Överlöde (Diary of a Wimpy Kid #17). written and illustrated by Jeff Kinney. ISBN 9781419762949. ABRAMS / Abrams Children's Books / Amulet Books.

Door of No Return. Kwame Alexander. ISBN 9780316441865. Little Brown Books for Young Readers.

Empty Smiles. Katherine Arden. ISBN 9780593109182. Penguin Young Readers / G.P. Putnam's Sons BFYR.

F.A.R.T. Peter Bakalian. ISBN 9781534436190. Simon & Schuster / Aladdin.

The First Cat in Space Ate Pizza. Mac Barnett; illustrated by Shawn Harris. ISBN 9780063084087. HarperCollins / Katherine Tegen Books.

Ghosts Come Rising. Adam Perry. ISBN 9781499813548. Little Bee Book / Yellow Jacket.

Hardcourt. Fred Bowen; illustrated by James E. Ransome. ISBN 9781534460430. Simon & Schuster / Margaret K. McElderry Books.

Hooky Volume 2. written and illustrated by Míriam Bonastre Tur. ISBN 9780358693109. HarperCollins / Clarion Books.

I Will Protect You: A True Story of Twins Who Survived Auschwitz. Eva Mozes Kor with Danica Davidson. ISBN 9780316460637. Little Brown Books for Young Readers.

Iveliz Explains It All. Andrea Beatriz Arango; illustrated by Alyssa Bemudez. ISBN 9780593563977. Random House Children's Books / Random House BFYR.

Jennifer Chan Is Not Alone. Tae Keller. ISBN 9780593310526. Random House Children's Books / Random House BFYR.

Legends of Funland. Melanie Florence. ISBN 9781459833944. Orca Book Publishers.

The Little Bad Book #1. Magnus Myst; illustrated by Thomas Hussung. ISBN 9780593427613. Random House Children's Books / Delacorte Press.

Lolo's Light. Liz Garton Scanlon. ISBN 9781797212944. Chronicle Books.

Maizy Chen's Last Chance. Lisa Yee. ISBN 9781984830258. Random House Children's Books / Random House BFYR.

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My Own Lightning. Lauren Wolk. ISBN 9780525555599. Penguin Young Readers / Dutton BFYR.

Omar Rising. Aisha Saeed. ISBN 9780593108581. Penguin Young Readers / Nancy Paulsen Books.

PAWS: Gabby Gets It Together (Book 1). Nathan Fairbairn; illustrated by Michele Assarasakorn. ISBN 9780593351864. Penguin Young Readers / Razorbill.

Pride: An Inspirational History of the LGBTQ+ Movement. Stella Caldwell. ISBN 9780593382943. Penguin Young Readers / Penguin Workshop.

The Road to After. Rebekah Lowell. ISBN 9780593109618. Penguin Young Readers / Nancy Paulsen Books.

Spy School the Graphic Novel. Stuart Gibbs; illustrated by Anjan Sarkar. ISBN 9781534455436. Simon & Schuster / Simon & Schuster BFYR.

Swim Team. written and illustrated by Johnnie Christmas. ISBN 9780063056770. HarperCollins / HarperAlley.

Team Chu and the Battle for Blackwood Arena. Julie Dao. ISBN 9780374388751. Macmillan / FSG BYR.

Tristan Strong Punches a Hole in the Sky: The Graphic Novel. Kwame Mbalia; illustrated by Olivia Stephens. ISBN 9781368075008. Disney Publishing Worldwide / Disney Hyperion / Rick Riordan Presents.

Twin Cities. Jose Pimienta. ISBN 9780593180624. Random House Children's Books / Random House Graphic.

Wait Till Helen Comes Graphic Novel. Mary Downing Hahn; illustrated by Meredith Laxton. ISBN 9780358536901. HarperCollins / Clarion Books.

What Is Juneteenth? Kirsti Jewel and Who HQ; illustrated by Manuel Gutierrez. ISBN 9780593384695. Penguin Young Readers / Penguin Workshop.

Your Pal Fred. Michael Rex. ISBN 9780593206331. Penguin Young Readers / Viking BFYR.

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NINTH TO TWELFTH GRADE

The 99 Boyfriends of Micah Summers. Adam Sass. ISBN 9780593464786. Penguin Young Readers / Viking BFYR.

Aces Wild: A Heist. Amanda DeWitt. ISBN 9781682634660. Holiday House / Peachtree Teen.

African Town. Charles Waters and Irene Latham. ISBN 9780593322888. Penguin Young Readers / G.P. Putnam's Sons BFYR.

The Agathas. Kathleen Glasgow and Liz Lawson. ISBN 9780593431115. Random House Children's Books / Delacorte Press.

Ain't Burned All the Bright. Jason Reynolds; illustrated by Jason Griffin. ISBN 9781534439467. Simon & Schuster / Caitlyn Dlouhy Books / Atheneum BFYR.

Akata Woman. Nnedi Okorafor. ISBN 9780451480583. Penguin Young Readers / Viking BFYR.

All of Our Demise. Amanda Foody and C.L. Herman. ISBN 9781250789341. Tor / Tor Teen.

Alone Out Here. Riley Redgate. ISBN 9781368064729. Disney Publishing Worldwide / Disney Hyperion.

An Arrow to the Moon. Emily X. R. Pan. ISBN 9780316464055. Little Brown Books for Young Readers.

Bad Things Happen Here. Rebecca Barrow. ISBN 9781534497436. Simon & Schuster / Margaret K. McElderry Books.

Ballad & Dagger. Daniel José Older. ISBN 9781368070829. Disney Publishing Worldwide / Disney Hyperion / Rick Riordan Presents.

Batter Royale. written and illustrated by Leisl Adams. ISBN 9781419750755. ABRAMS / Abrams Children's Books / Amulet Books.

Bitter. Akwaeke Emezi. ISBN 9780593309032. Random House Children's Books / Alfred A. Knopf BFYR.

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YOUNG ADULT FAVORITES

The Dragon's Promise. Elizabeth Lim. ISBN 9780593300954. Random House Children's Books / Alfred A. Knopf BFYR.

Drizzle, Dreams, and Lovestruck Things. Maya Prasad. ISBN 9781368075800. Disney Publishing Worldwide / Disney Hyperion.

Food-Related Stories (Pocket Change Collective). Gaby Melian; illustrated by Ashley Lukashevsky. ISBN 9780593223499. Penguin Young Readers / Penguin Workshop.

Gallant. V. E. Schwab. ISBN 9780062835772. HarperCollins / Greenwillow Books.

The Getaway. Lamar Giles. ISBN 9781338752014. Scholastic / Scholastic Press.

The Gilded Ones #2: The Merciless Ones. Namina Forna. ISBN 9781984848727. Random House Children's Books / Delacorte Press.

Girl Overboard. Sandra Block. ISBN 9780593483466. Random House Children's Books / Underlined.

A Girl's Guide to Love & Magic. Debbie Rigaud. ISBN 9781338681741. Scholastic / Scholastic Press.

Girls Who Green the World: Thirty-Four Rebel Women Out to Save Our Planet. Diana Kapp; illustrated by Ana Jarén. ISBN 9780593428054. Random House Children's Books / Delacorte Press.

Golden Boys. Phil Stamper. ISBN 9781547607372. Bloomsbury / Bloomsbury YA.

The Greatest Thing. Sarah Winifred Searle. ISBN 9781250297235. Macmillan / First Second.

The Honeys. Ryan La Sala. ISBN 9781338745313. Scholastic / PUSH.

I Must Betray You. Ruta Sepetys. ISBN 9781984836038. Penguin Young Readers / Philomel Books.

Killing Time. Brenna Ehrlich. ISBN 9781335418678. Harlequin / Inkyard Press.

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YOUNG ADULT FAVORITES

Legendborn. Tracy Deonn. ISBN 9781534441613. Simon & Schuster / Margaret K. McElderry Books.

The Lesbiana's Guide to Catholic School. Sonora Reyes. ISBN 9780063060234. HarperCollins / Balzer + Bray.

Medusa: The Girl Behind the Myth. Jessie Burton; illustrated by Olivia Lomenech Gill. ISBN 9781547607594. Bloomsbury / Bloomsbury YA.

Murder for the Modern Girl. Kendall Kulper. ISBN 9780823449729. Holiday House.

My Dearest Darkest. Kayla Cottingham. ISBN 9781728236414. Sourcebooks / Sourcebooks Fire.

My Name Is Jason. Mine Too. Jason Reynolds and Jason Griffin. ISBN 9781534478220. Simon & Schuster / Caitlyn Dlouhy Books / Atheneum BFYR.

The New Girl. Jesse Q Sutanto. ISBN 9781728215198. Sourcebooks / Sourcebooks Fire.

Seoulmates. Susan Lee. ISBN 9781335915788. Harlequin / Inkyard Press.

Tokyo Dreaming: A Novel. Emiko Jean. ISBN 9781250766632. Macmillan Publishers / Flatiron Books.

The Weight of Blood. Tiffany D. Jackson. ISBN 9780063029149. HarperCollins / Katherine Tegen Books.

When You Call My Name. Tucker Shaw. ISBN 9781250624864. Macmillan / Henry Holt BYR.

You've Reached Sam: A Novel. Dustin Thao. ISBN 9781250762030. Macmillan Publishers / Wednesday Books.

Zyla & Kai. Kristina Forest. ISBN 9780593407240. Penguin Young Readers / Kokila.

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Abdul's Story. Jamilah Thompkins-Bigelow; illus. Tiffany Rose. ISBN 9781534462984. Simon & Schuster / Simon & Schuster BFYR.

Beatrice Bly's Rules for Spies 2: Mystery Goo. Sue Fliess; illus. Beth Mills. ISBN 9781645950615. Holiday House / Pixel+Ink.

Beautiful You, Beautiful Me. Tasha Spillett-Sumner; illus. Salini Perera. ISBN 9781771474528. Owlkids Books.

Because Claudette. Tracey Baptiste; illus. Tonya Engel. ISBN 9780593326404. Penguin Young Readers / Dial Books.

Being Friends with Dragons. Katherine Locke; illus. Diane Ewen. ISBN 9780762473243. Hachette / Running Press Kids.

Big and Small and In-Between. Carter Higgins; illus. Daniel Miyares. ISBN 9781452166506. Chronicle Books.

Blurp's Book of Manners. written and illustrated by Cindy Derby. ISBN 9781250810359. Macmillan / Roaring Brook Press.

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Creepy Crayon! Aaron Reynolds; illus. Peter Brown. ISBN 9781534465886. Simon & Schuster / Simon & Schuster BFYR.

Don't Hug the Quokka. Daniel Errico; illus. Mia Powell. ISBN 9781433837067. American Psychological Association

Fox: A Circle of Life Story. Isabel Thomas; illus. Daniel Egnéus. ISBN 9781547606924. Bloomsbury / Bloomsbury Children's Books.

Go Wild! Elephants. Margie Markarian. ISBN 9781426372568. National Geographic Kids Books.

The Good Egg and the Talent Show. Jory John; illus. Pete Oswald. ISBN 9780062954596. HarperCollins.

Gotcha!: A Funny Fairy Tale Hide-and-Seek. written and illustrated by Clotilde Perrin. ISBN 9781776574698. Gecko Press.

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Hey, Bruce!: An Interactive Book. written and illustrated by Ryan T. Higgins. ISBN 9781368084116. Disney Publishing Worldwide / Disney Hyperion.

I Am Amazing! Alissa Holder and Zulekha Holder-Young; illus. Nneka Myers. ISBN 9780593327326. Penguin Young Readers / Flamingo Books.

I Hope / nipakosêyimon. Monique Gray Smith, Translated by Delores Greyeyes Sand; illus. Gabrielle Grimard. ISBN 9781459833258. Orca Book Publishers.

Like. Annie Barrows; illus. Leo Espinosa. ISBN 9781452163376. Chronicle Books.

Little Black Girl: Oh, the Things You Can Do! Kirby Howell-Baptiste; illus. Paul Davey. ISBN 9780593406236. Penguin Young Readers / Nancy Paulsen Books.

Little Homesteader: A Summer Treasury of Recipes, Crafts and Wisdom. Angela Ferraro-Fanning; illus. AnneliesDraws. ISBN 9780711272873. The Quarto Group / Ivy Kids.

Little Kids First Big Book of Baby Animals. Maya Myers. ISBN 9781426371462. National Geographic Kids Books.

Little Pine Cone: Wildfires and the Natural World. Johanna Wagstaffe; illus. Julian McLaughlin. ISBN 9781459828308. Orca Book Publishers.

Little Red Riding Hood and the Dragon. Ying Chang Compestine; illus. Joy Ang. ISBN 9781419737282. Abrams Children's Books / Abrams Books for Young Readers.

Nervous Nigel. written and illustrated by Bethany Christou. ISBN 9781536223866. Candlewick Press / Templar Books.

Never Teach a Stegosaurus to Do Sums. Rashmi Sirdeshpande; illus. Diane Ewen. ISBN 9781684643424. Kane Miller, A Division of EDC Publishing.

The Nocturnals Nighttime Animals: Awesome Features & Surprising Adaptations. Tracey Hecht. ISBN 9781944020712. Fabled Films Press.

Not Enough Lollipops. Megan Maynor; illus. Micah Player. ISBN 9780593372562. Random House Children's Books / Alfred A. Knopf BFYR.

Our World is a Family. Miry Whitehill and Jennifer Jackson; illus. Nomar Perez. ISBN 9781728231839. Sourcebooks / Sourcebooks Explore.

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Pumpkin and Me. Alicia Acosta; illus. Mercé Galí. ISBN 9788417673925. NubeOcho.

Quacks Like a Duck. Stephanie Campisi; illus. Maria Lebedeva. ISBN 9781641707299. Familius.

The Secret Life of the Sea Otter. Laurence Pringle; illus. Kate Garchinsky. ISBN 9781635923254. Astra Books for Young Readers / Astra Young Readers.

The Sour Grape. Jory John; illus. Pete Oswald. ISBN 9780063045415. HarperCollins.

Standing in the Need of Prayer: A Modern Retelling of the Classic Spiritual. Carole Boston Weatherford; illus. Frank Morrison. ISBN 9780593306345. Random House Children's Books / Crown BFYR.

The Three Billy Goats Gruff. Mac Barnett; illus. Jon Klassen. ISBN 9781338673845. Scholastic / Orchard Books.

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Animal BFFs. written and illustrated by Sophie Corrigan. ISBN 9780711260177. The Quarto Group / Frances Lincoln Children's Books

Bake Infinite Pie with X + Y. Eugenia Cheng; illus. Amber Ren. ISBN 9780759556867. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers.

Because of You, John Lewis. Andrea Davis Pinkney; illus. Keith Henry Brown. ISBN 9781338759082. Scholastic / Scholastic Press.

Blast Off!: How Mary Sherman Morgan Fueled America into Space. Suzanne Slade; illus. Sally W. Comport. ISBN 9781684372416. Astra Books for Young Readers / Calkins Creek.

Breaking Through the Clouds: The Sometimes Turbulent Life of Meteorologist Joanne Simpson. Sandra Nickel; illus. Helena Perez Garcia. ISBN 9781419749568. Abrams Children's Books / Abrams Books for Young Readers.

Building an Orchestra of Hope: How Favio Chavez Taught Children to Make Music from Trash. Carmen Oliver; illus. Luisa Uribe. ISBN 9780802854674. Eerdmans / Eerdmans Books for Young Readers.

Bunnica: The Graphic Novel. James Howe and Andrew Donkin; illus. Stephen Gilpin. ISBN 9781534421615. Simon & Schuster / Atheneum BFYR.

The Day the Earth Rose Up. written and illustrated by Alfreda Beartrack-Algeo. ISBN 9781939053398. 7th Generation / Native Voices Books.

Dazzlin' Dolly: The Songwriting, Hit-Singing, Guitar-Picking Dolly Parton. Suzanne Slade; illus. Edwin Fotheringham. ISBN 9781635928419. Astra Books for Young Readers / Calkins Creek.

Dressing Up the Stars. Jeanne W Harvey; illus. Diana Toledano. ISBN 9781534451056. Simon & Schuster / Beach Lane Books.

The Gardener of Alcatraz. Emma Bland Smith; illus. Jenn Ely. ISBN 9781623541606. Charlesbridge.

H Is for Harlem. Dinah Johnson; illus. April Harrison. ISBN 9780316322379. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers / Christy Ottaviano Books.

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TEACHER FAVORITES

Her Name Was Mary Katharine: The Only Woman Whose Name Is on the Declaration of Independence. Ella Schwartz; illus. Dow Phumiruk. ISBN 9780316298322. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers / Christy Ottaviano Books.

Hispanic Star: Celia Cruz. Claudia Romo Edelman and William Alexander. ISBN 9781250828132. Macmillan / Roaring Brook Press.

How Was That Built? Roma Agrawal; illus. Katie Hickey. ISBN 9781547609291. Bloomsbury / Bloomsbury Children's Books.

InvestiGators: Heist and Seek. John Patrick Green. ISBN 9781250849885. Macmillan / First Second.

It's So Difficult. written and illustrated by Raúl Nieto Guridi. ISBN 9780802855848. Eerdmans / Eerdmans Books for Young Readers.

A Land of Books: Dreams of Young Mexihcah Word Painters. written and illustrated by Duncan Tonatiuh. ISBN 9781419749421. Abrams Children's Books / Abrams Books for Young Readers.

Let's Play Ddakji. Im Seo-Ha; illus. Jang Joon-Young. ISBN 9781612545837. Brown Books Publishing / Brown Books Kids.

A Life of Service: The Story of Senator Tammy Duckworth. Christina Soontornvat; illus. Dow Phumiruk. ISBN 9781536222050. Candlewick Press.

Literary Critters. written and illustrated Sophie Corrigan. ISBN 9780310734093. HarperCollins Christian Publishing / Zonderkidz.

Masato's Garden. Jerry Ruff; illus. Maya Onodera. ISBN 9781605377117. Clavis.

Mason Mooney: Doppelgänger Detective. written and illustrated by Seaerra Miller. ISBN 9781838740030. Nobrow US Inc. / Flying Eye Books.

The Mother of a Movement. Rob Sanders; illus. Sam Kalda. ISBN 9781433840203. American Psychological Association.

National Geographic Kids Dinosaur Atlas: When They Roamed, How They Lived, and Where We Find Their Fossils. National Geographic Kids. ISBN 9781426372797. National Geographic Kids Books.

One and Everything. written and illustrated by Sam Winston. ISBN 9781536215663. Candlewick Press / Candlewick Studio.

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TEACHER FAVORITES

The Real Dada Mother Goose: A Treasury of Complete Nonsense. Jon Scieszka; illus. Julia Rothman. ISBN 9780763694340. Candlewick Press.

The Replay: 25 Greatest Moments in Sports. Adam Skinner; illus. Mai Ly Degnan. ISBN 9781419760235. Abrams Children's Books / Magic Cat.

The Secret Life of Birds. Moira Butterfield; illus. Vivian Minekar. ISBN 9780711266216. The Quarto Group / Happy Yak.

Sheet Pan Science. Liz Lee Heinecke. ISBN 9780760375679. The Quarto Group / Quarry Books.

The Spoiled Boy With The Terribly Dry Throat (English-Ukrainian Edition). Idries Shah; illus. Silvara Kossem. ISBN 9781953292681. Hoopoe Books.

The Storyteller's Handbook. written and illustrated by Elise Hurst. ISBN 9781970147766. Compendium.

The Sweetest Scoop: Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Revolution. Lisa Robinson; illus. Stacy Innerst. ISBN 9781419748035. Abrams Children's Books / Abrams Books for Young Readers.

Totality!: An Eclipse Guide in Rhyme and Science. Jeffrey Bennett. ISBN 9781937548865. Big Kid Science.

Want a Hug? Christine Babinec; illus. Vivan Mineker. ISBN 9781641703062. Familius.

When the Sky Glows. Nell C. Beckerman; illus. David Litchfield. ISBN 9781534450394. Simon & Schuster / Beach Lane Books.

Why? Animals: 99+ Awesome Answers for Curious Kids. Julie Beer. ISBN 9781426372759. National Geographic Kids Books.

Wonderful Hair: The Beauty of Annie Malone. Eve Nadel Catarevas; illus. Felicia Marshall. ISBN 9781954354104. Creston Books.

The Yippee Stick. written and illustrated by Roel Seidell. ISBN 9781605377902. Clavis.

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SIXTH TO EIGHTH GRADE

Alice Austen Lived Here. Alex Gino. ISBN 9781338733891. Scholastic / Scholastic Press.

Aliens: Join the Scientists Searching Space for Extraterrestrial Life. Joalda Morancy and Amy Grimes; illus. Amy Grimes. ISBN 9781684492534. Macmillan / Neon Squid.

Answers in the Pages. David Levithan. ISBN 9780593484685.
Random House Children's Books / Alfred A. Knopf BFYR.

The Antiracist Kid. Tiffany Jewell; illus. Nicole Miles. ISBN 9780358629399.
HarperCollins / Versify.

Attack of the Black Rectangles. A. S. King. ISBN 9781338680522.
Scholastic / Scholastic Press.

Coming Up Cuban. Sonia Manzano. ISBN 9781338065152. Scholastic / Scholastic Press.

Door of No Return. Kwame Alexander. ISBN 9780316441865.
Little, Brown Books for Young Readers.

A Duet for Home. Karina Yan Glaser. ISBN 9780544876408. HarperCollins / Clarion Books.

Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Puberty—and Shouldn't Learn on TikTok: For Curious Girls. Gemma Hong and Sophie Young; illus. Amelia Pinney. ISBN 9781950587360.
Downtown Bookworks.

Fight Like a Girl. Mike Lewis. ISBN 9781646030019. Regal House Publishing / Fitzroy Books.

Freewater. Amina Luqman-Dawson. ISBN 9780316056618.
Little, Brown Books for Young Readers.

Front Country. Sara St. Antoine. ISBN 9781797215631. Chronicle Books.

Ghosts Come Rising. Adam Perry. ISBN 9781499813548. Little Bee Book / Yellow Jacket.

Hardcourt. Fred Bowen; illus. James E. Ransome. ISBN 9781534460430.
Simon & Schuster / Margaret K. McElderry Books.

How to Fight Racism YRE. Jemar Tisby. ISBN 9780310751045.
HarperCollins Christian Publishing / Zonderkidz.

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TEACHER FAVORITES

I Will Protect You: A True Story of Twins Who Survived Auschwitz. Eva Mozes Kor with Danica Davidson. ISBN 9780316460637. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers.

In the Beautiful Country. Jane Kuo. ISBN 9780063118980. HarperCollins / Quill Tree Books.

Iveliz Explains It All. Andrea Beatriz Arango; illus. Alyssa Bemudez. ISBN 9780593563977. Random House Children's Books / Random House BFYR.

Journey to the Last River. written and illustrated by Teddy Keen. ISBN 9780711254497. The Quarto Group / Frances Lincoln Children's Books.

Kelcie Murphy and the Academy for the Unbreakable Arts. Erika Lewis. ISBN 9781250208262. Tor / Starscape.

The Last Mapmaker. Christina Soontornvat. ISBN 9781536204957. Candlewick Press.

Maizy Chen's Last Chance. Lisa Yee. ISBN 9781984830258. Random House Children's Books / Random House BFYR.

Me and White Supremacy: Young Reader's Edition. Layla F Saad. ISBN 9781728259086. Sourcebooks / Sourcebooks Explore.

Middle School—Safety Goggles Advised: Exploring the Weird Stuff from Gossip to Grades, Cliques to Crushes, and Popularity to Peer Pressure. Jessica Speer; illus. Lesley Imgart. ISBN 9781641706636. Familius.

Operation Sisterhood. Olugbemisola Rhuday-Perkovich. ISBN 9780593379899. Random House Children's Books / Crown BFYR.

Pride: An Inspirational History of the LGBTQ+ Movement. Stella Caldwell. ISBN 9780593382943. Penguin Young Readers / Penguin Workshop.

Professor Figgy's Weather and Climate Science Lab for Kids. Jim Noonan and Martha Stewart. ISBN 9780760370858. The Quarto Group / Quarry Books.

Realm of the Blue Mist: A Graphic Novel (The Rema Chronicles #1). written and illustrated by Amy Kim Kibuishi. ISBN 9781338115130. Scholastic / Graphix.

A Rover's Story. Jasmine Warga. ISBN 9780063113923. HarperCollins / Balzer + Bray.

Science Art and Drawing Games. Karyn Tripp. ISBN 9780760372166. The Quarto Group / Quarry Books.

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TEACHER FAVORITES

Serwa Boateng's Guide to Vampire Hunting. Roseanne A. Brown. ISBN 9781368066365. Disney Publishing Worldwide / Disney Hyperion / Rick Riordan Presents.

Star Child: A Biographical Constellation of Octavia Estelle Butler. Ibi Zoboi. ISBN 9780399187384. Penguin Young Readers / Dutton BFYR.

Swim Team. written and illustrated by Johnnie Christmas. ISBN 9780063056770. HarperCollins / HarperAlley.

Team Chu and the Battle for Blackwood Arena. Julie Dao. ISBN 9780374388751. Macmillan / FSG BYR.

Tristan Strong Punches a Hole in the Sky: The Graphic Novel. Kwame Mbalia; illus. Olivia Stephens. ISBN 9781368075008. Disney Publishing Worldwide / Disney Hyperion / Rick Riordan Presents.

Tumble. Celia C. Pérez. ISBN 9780593325179. Penguin Young Readers / Kokila.

Two Degrees. Alan Gratz. ISBN 9781338735673. Scholastic / Scholastic Press.

Wait Till Helen Comes Graphic Novel. Mary Downing Hahn; illus. Meredith Laxton. ISBN 9780358536901. HarperCollins / Clarion Books.

What Is Juneteenth? Kirsti Jewel and Who HQ; illus. Manuel Gutierrez. ISBN 9780593384695. Penguin Young Readers / Penguin Workshop.

The Witness Blanket: Truth, Art and Reconciliation. Carey Newman and Kirstie Hudson. ISBN 9781459836129. Orca Book Publishers.

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NINTH TO TWELFTH GRADE

The 99 Boyfriends of Micah Summers. Adam Sass. ISBN 9780593464786.
Penguin Young Readers / Viking BFYR.

Aces Wild: A Heist. Amanda DeWitt. ISBN 9781682634660. Holiday House / Peachtree Teen.

African Town. Charles Waters and Irene Latham. ISBN 9780593322888.
Penguin Young Readers / G.P. Putnam's Sons BFYR.

Ain't Burned All the Bright. Jason Reynolds; illus. Jason Griffin. ISBN 9781534439467.
Simon & Schuster / Caitlyn Dlouhy Books / Atheneum BFYR.

Akata Woman. Nnedi Okorafor. ISBN 9780451480583. Penguin Young Readers / Viking BFYR.

All My Rage. Sabaa Tahir. ISBN 9780593202340. Penguin Young Readers / Razorbill.

Always Jane. Jenn Bennett. ISBN 9781534482326. Simon & Schuster / Simon & Schuster BFYR.

American Murderer: The Parasite that Haunted the South. Gail Jarrow. ISBN 9781684378159.
Astra Books for Young Readers / Calkins Creek.

And We Rise: The Civil Rights Movement in Poems. Erica Martin. ISBN 9780593352526.
Penguin Young Readers / Viking BFYR.

Anne of Greenville. Mariko Tamaki. ISBN 9781368078405. Disney Publishing Worldwide /
Disney Hyperion / Melissa de la Cruz Studio.

Augusta Savage: The Shape of a Sculptor's Life. Marilyn Nelson. ISBN 9780316298025.
Little, Brown Books for Young Readers / Christy Ottaviano Books.

Bad Things Happen Here. Rebecca Barrow. ISBN 9781534497436.
Simon & Schuster / Margaret K. McElderry Books.

Ballad & Dagger. Daniel José Older. ISBN 9781368070829.
Disney Publishing Worldwide / Disney Hyperion / Rick Riordan Presents.

Blood Scion. Deborah Falaye. ISBN 9780062954046. HarperCollins / HarperTeen.

Bone Weaver. Aden Polydoros. ISBN 9781335915825. Harlequin / Inkyard Press.

Crimson Reign. Amélie Wen Zhao. ISBN 9780525707875.
Random House Children's Books / Delacorte Press.

TEACHER FAVORITES

Ducks: Two Years in the Oil Sands. written and illustrated by Kate Beaton.
ISBN 9781770462892. Drawn & Quarterly.

Gallant. V. E. Schwab. ISBN 9780062835772. HarperCollins / Greenwillow Books.

The Getaway. Lamar Giles. ISBN 9781338752014. Scholastic / Scholastic Press.

The Gilded Ones #2: The Merciless Ones. Namina Forna. ISBN 9781984848727.
Random House Children's Books / Delacorte Press.

Girl on Fire. Alicia Keys; illus. Brittney Williams. ISBN 9780063029569.
HarperCollins / HarperAlley.

Gone Dark. Amanda Panitch. ISBN 9781534466319.
Simon & Schuster / Margaret K. McElderry Books.

The Greatest Thing. Sarah Winifred Searle. 9781250297235. Macmillan / First Second.

Hell Followed With Us. Andrew Joseph White. ISBN 9781682633243.
Holiday House / Peachtree Teen.

Hollow Fires. Samira Ahmed. ISBN 9780316282642. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers.

I Must Betray You. Ruta Sepetys. ISBN 9781984836038.
Penguin Young Readers / Philomel Books.

If Anything Happens I Love You. Will McCormack and Michael Govier;
illus. Youngran Nho. ISBN 9781524871253. Andrews McMeel Publishing.

The Killing Code. Ellie Marney. ISBN 9780316339582. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers.

Medusa: The Girl Behind the Myth. Jessie Burton; illus. Olivia Lomenech Gill.
ISBN 9781547607594. Bloomsbury / Bloomsbury YA.

Mirror Girls. Kelly McWilliams. ISBN 9780759553873. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers.

Murder for the Modern Girl. Kendall Kulper. ISBN 9780823449729. Holiday House.

My Name Is Jason. Mine Too. Jason Reynolds and Jason Griffin. ISBN 9781534478220.
Simon & Schuster / Caitlyn Dlouhy Books / Atheneum BFYR.

Nothing More to Tell. Karen M. McManus. ISBN 9780593175903.
Random House Children's Books / Delacorte Press.

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Rust in the Root. Justina Ireland. ISBN 9780063038226. HarperCollins / Balzer + Bray.

The Turning Pointe. Vanessa L. Torres. ISBN 9780593426135.
Random House Children's Books / Alfred A. Knopf BFYR.

Unequal: A Story of America. Michael Eric Dyson and Marc Fav. ISBN 9780759557017.
Little, Brown Books for Young Readers.

We Weren't Looking to Be Found. Stephanie Kuehn. ISBN 9781368064101.
Disney Publishing Worldwide / Disney Hyperion.

The Weight of Blood. Tiffany D. Jackson. ISBN 9780063029149.
HarperCollins / Katherine Tegen Books.

What's Coming to Me. Francesca Padilla. ISBN 9781641293358. Soho Teen.

When You Call My Name. Tucker Shaw. ISBN 9781250624864. Macmillan / Henry Holt BYR.

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KINDERGARTEN TO SECOND GRADE

100 Things to Know About Art. Susie Hodge; illus. Ben Sanders. ISBN 9780711268203.
The Quarto Group / Happy Yak.

Abdul's Story. Jamilah Thompkins-Bigelow; illus. Tiffany Rose. ISBN 9781534462984.
Simon & Schuster / Simon & Schuster BFYR.

Acorn Was a Little Wild. Jen Arena; illus. Jessica Gibson. ISBN 9781534483156.
Simon & Schuster / Simon & Schuster BFYR.

All Are Neighbors. Alexandra Penfold; illus. Suzanne Kaufman. ISBN 9780593429983.
Random House Children's Books / Alfred A. Knopf BFYR.

All Through the Night: Important Jobs That Get Done at Night. Polly Faber;
illus. Harriet Hobday. ISBN 9781536227512. Candlewick Press.

Armadillo Antics. Bill Martin Jr and Michael Sampson; illus. Nathalie Beauvois.
ISBN 9781612545479. Brown Books Publishing / Brown Books Kids.

Bathe the Cat. Alice B. McGinty; illus. David Roberts. ISBN 9781452142708. Chronicle Books.

A Bear, a Bee, and a Honey Tree. Daniel Bernstrom; illus. Brandon James Scott.
ISBN 9781662640087. Astra Books for Young Readers / minedition.

Berry Song. written and illustrated by Michaela Goade. ISBN 9780316494175.
Little, Brown Books for Young Readers.

Big and Small and In-Between. Carter Higgins; illus. Daniel Miyares.
ISBN 9781452166506. Chronicle Books.

Big Bold Beautiful Me: A Story That's Loud and Proud and Celebrates You.
Jane Yolen and Maddison Stemple- Piatt; illus. Chloe Burgett. ISBN 9781433838644.
American Psychological Association.

Black Boy, Black Boy. Ali Kamanda and Jorge Redmond; illus. Ken Daley.
ISBN 9781728250649. Sourcebooks / Sourcebooks Explore.

Blurp's Book of Manners. written and illustrated by Cindy Derby. ISBN 9781250810359.
Macmillan / Roaring Brook Press.

Books Aren't for Eating. Carlie Sorosiak; illus. Manu Montoya.
ISBN 9781536214963. Candlewick Press / Walker Books US.

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LIBRARIAN FAVORITES

Creepy Crayon! Aaron Reynolds; illus. Peter Brown. ISBN 9781534465886.
Simon & Schuster / Simon & Schuster BFYR.

Dodos Are NOT Extinct! written and illustrated Paddy Donnelly.
ISBN 9781953458209. Yeehoo Press.

Double Puppy Trouble. Danica McKellar; illus. Josée Masse. ISBN 9781101933862.
Random House Children's Books / Crown BFYR.

Endlessly Ever After: Pick YOUR Path to Countless Fairy Tale Endings! Laurel Snyder;
illus. Dan Santat. ISBN 9781452144825. Chronicle Books.

Farmhouse. written and illustrated by Sophie Blackall. ISBN 9780316528948.
Little, Brown Books for Young Readers.

Gigi and Ojiji. written and illustrated by Melissa Iwai. ISBN 9780063208063. HarperCollins.

Have You Eaten?: A Story of Food, Friendship, and Kindness. Su Youn Lee.
ISBN 9781250791146. Macmillan / Feiwel & Friends.

Hey, Bruce!: An Interactive Book. written and illustrated by Ryan T. Higgins.
ISBN 9781368084116. Disney Publishing Worldwide / Disney Hyperion.

Hurry, Little Tortoise, Time for School! Carrie Finison; illus. Erin Kraan. ISBN 9780593305669.
Random House Children's Books / Random House Studio.

I'm a Unicorn. written and illustrated by Helen Yoon. ISBN 9781536219760. Candlewick Press.

Kindest Red. Ibtihaj Muhammad and S. K. Ali; illus. Hatem Aly. ISBN 9780759555709.
Little, Brown Books for Young Readers.

Mermaid Dance. Matthew Van Fleet; illus. Mara Van Fleet. ISBN 9781665904919.
Simon & Schuster / Paula Wiseman Books.

Monsters in the Fog. written and illustrated by Ali Bahrapour. ISBN 9781419752452.
Abrams Children's Books / Abrams Books for Young Readers.

The Most Haunted House in America. Jarrett Dapier; illus. Lee Gatlin. ISBN 9781419752469.
Abrams Children's Books / Abrams Books for Young Readers.

My Love Will Never Leave You. written and illustrated by Stephen Hogtun.
ISBN 9781547608997. Bloomsbury / Bloomsbury Children's Books.

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LIBRARIAN FAVORITES

Noodle and the No Bones Day. Jonathan Graziano; illus. Dan Tavis. ISBN 9781665927109. Simon & Schuster / Margaret K. McElderry Books.

Not Enough Lollipops. Megan Maynor; illus. Micah Player. ISBN 9780593372562. Random House Children's Books / Alfred A. Knopf BFYR.

The Poem Forest: Poet W. S. Merwin and the Palm Tree Forest He Grew from Scratch. Carrie Fountain; illus. Chris Turnham. ISBN 9781536211269. Candlewick Press.

Puppy Bus. written and illustrated by Drew Brockington. ISBN 9781419751912. Abrams Children's Books / Abrams Books for Young Readers.

The Sour Grape. Jory John; illus. Pete Oswald. ISBN 9780063045415. HarperCollins.

A Spark in the Dark. written and illustrated by Pam Fong. ISBN 9780063136533. HarperCollins / Greenwillow Books.

Tell the Truth, Pangolin. Melinda Beatty; illus. Paola Escobar. ISBN 9780593180136. Random House Children's Books / Anne Schwartz Books.

The Three Billy Goats Gruff. Mac Barnett; illus. Jon Klassen. ISBN 9781338673845. Scholastic / Orchard Books

A Very Mercy Christmas. Kate DiCamillo; illus. Chris Van Dusen. ISBN 9781536213607. Candlewick Press.

Wolf Girl. written and illustrated by Jo Loring-Fisher. ISBN 9780711249578. The Quarto Group / Frances Lincoln Children's Books.

The World Belonged to Us. Jacqueline Woodson; illus. Leo Espinosa. ISBN 9780399545498. Penguin Young Readers / Nancy Paulsen Books.

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THIRD TO FIFTH GRADE

Animal BFFs. written and illustrated by Sophie Corrigan. ISBN 9780711260177.
The Quarto Group / Frances Lincoln Children's Books.

Artemis Fowl: The Eternity Code: The Graphic Novel. Eoin Colfer; illus. Stephen Gilpin.
ISBN 9781368065085. Disney Publishing Worldwide / Disney Hyperion.

Ballet Bunnies #6: Trixie Is Missing. Swapna Reddy; illus. Binny Talib. ISBN 9780593305782.
Random House Children's Books / Random House BFYR.

Blast Off!: How Mary Sherman Morgan Fueled America into Space. Suzanne Slade;
illus. Sally W. Comport. ISBN 9781684372416. Astra Books for Young Readers / Calkins Creek.

Blippo and Beep: I Feel Funny. Sarah Weeks; illus. Joey Ellis. ISBN 9780593226995.
Penguin Young Readers / Penguin Workshop.

Bodies, Brains and Boogers: All You Need to Know About the Gross, Glorious Human Body!
Paul Ian Cross; illus. Steve Brown. ISBN 9781783128969. Welbeck Publishing / Welbeck Children's.

Breaking Through the Clouds: The Sometimes Turbulent Life of Meteorologist Joanne Simpson. Sandra Nickel; illus. Helena Perez Garcia. ISBN 9781419749568.
Abrams Children's Books / Abrams Books for Young Readers.

Bristlecone: The Secret Life of the World's Oldest Tree. Alexandra Siy; illus. Marlo Garnsworthy.
ISBN 9781970039030. Web of Life Children's Books.

Build a House. Rhiannon Giddens; illus. Monica Mikai. ISBN 9781536222524. Candlewick Press.

Building an Orchestra of Hope: How Favio Chavez Taught Children to Make Music from Trash. Carmen Oliver; illus. Luisa Uribe. ISBN 9780802854674.
Eerdmans / Eerdmans Books for Young Readers.

Bunnacula: The Graphic Novel. James Howe and Andrew Donkin; illus. Stephen Gilpin.
ISBN 9781534421615. Simon & Schuster / Atheneum BFYR.

Can't Get Enough Shark Stuff: Fun Facts, Awesome Info, Cool Games, Silly Jokes, and More!
Andrea Silen and Kelly Hargrave. ISBN 9781426372582. National Geographic Kids Books.

Can't Get Enough Space Stuff: Fun Facts, Awesome Info, Cool Games, Silly Jokes, and More! Stephanie Warren Drimmer and Julie Beer. ISBN 9781426372803.
National Geographic Kids Books.

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LIBRARIAN FAVORITES

Cat & Cat Adventures: The Goblet of Infinity. written and illustrated by Susie Yi. ISBN 9780063083844. HarperCollins / HarperAlley.

Crab and Snail: The Tidal Pool of Cool. Beth Ferry; illus. Jared Chapman. ISBN 9780062962164. HarperCollins / HarperAlley.

Dazzlin' Dolly: The Songwriting, Hit-Singing, Guitar-Picking Dolly Parton. Suzanne Slade; illus. Edwin Fotheringham. ISBN 9781635928419. Astra Books for Young Readers / Calkins Creek.

The Flower Garden. written and illustrated by Renée Kurilla. ISBN 9781419750205. Abrams Children's Books / Amulet.

The Gardener of Alcatraz. Emma Bland Smith; illus. Jenn Ely. ISBN 9781623541606. Charlesbridge.

H Is for Harlem. Dinah Johnson; illus. April Harrison. ISBN 9780316322379. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers / Christy Ottaviano Books.

Her Name Was Mary Katharine: The Only Woman Whose Name Is on the Declaration of Independence. Ella Schwartz; illus. Dow Phumiruk. ISBN 9780316298322. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers / Christy Ottaviano Books.

Hispanic Star: Celia Cruz. Claudia Romo Edelman and William Alexander. ISBN 9781250828132. Macmillan / Roaring Brook Press.

Honestly Elliott. Gillian McDunn. ISBN 9781547606252. Bloomsbury / Bloomsbury Children's Books.

InvestiGators: Heist and Seek. John Patrick Green. ISBN 9781250849885. Macmillan / First Second.

Jordan and Max, Field Trip! Suzanne Sutherland; illus. Michelle Simpson. ISBN 9781459831995. Orca Book Publishers.

Kaleidoscope of Dinosaurs and Prehistoric Life. written and illustrated by Greer Stothers. ISBN 9780711266919. The Quarto Group / Wide Eyed Editions.

Miss Quinces: A Graphic Novel. written and illustrated by Kat Fajardo. ISBN 9781338535594. Scholastic / Graphix.

Noah and His Wagon. Jerry Ruff; illus. Katrijn Jacobs. ISBN 9781605377100. Clavis.

Onyeka and the Academy of the Sun. Tolá Okogwu. ISBN 9781665912617. Simon & Schuster / Margaret K. McElderry Books.

LIBRARIAN FAVORITES

Out of This World: Star-Studded Haiku. Sally M. Walker; illus. Matthew Trueman. ISBN 9781536203561. Candlewick Press.

Penguins: A Compare and Contrast Book. Cher Vatalaro. ISBN 9781643519876. Arbordale Publishing.

Rocket: The Miniature Morgan Horse. Ellen F. Feld; illus. Heidi Osgood-Metcalf. ISBN 9781733767453. Willow Bend Publishing.

Sheet Pan Science. Liz Lee Heinecke. ISBN 9780760375679. The Quarto Group / Quarry Books.

The Sweetest Scoop: Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Revolution. Lisa Robinson; illus. Stacy Innerst. ISBN 9781419748035. Abrams Children's Books / Abrams Books for Young Readers.

Sylvie. Jean Reidy; illus. Lucy Cummins. ISBN 9781534463486. Simon & Schuster / Atheneum BFYR.

The Good Guys Agency: Kind Like Fred Rogers. Nick Esposito; illus. Ricardo Tokumoto. ISBN 9781638190790. Bushel & Peck Books.

Totality!: An Eclipse Guide in Rhyme and Science. Jeffrey Bennett. ISBN 9781937548865. Big Kid Science.

When the Sky Glows. Nell C. Beckerman; illus. David Litchfield. ISBN 9781534450394. Simon & Schuster / Beach Lane Books.

Winnie Zeng Unleashes a Legend. Katie Zhao. ISBN 9780593426579. Random House Children's Books / Random House BFYR.

Wonderful Hair: The Beauty of Annie Malone. Eve Nadel Catarevas; illus. Felicia Marshall. ISBN 9781954354104. Creston Books.

The Yippee Stick. written and illustrated by Roel Seidell. ISBN 9781605377902. Clavis.

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SIXTH TO EIGHTH GRADE

Alice Austen Lived Here. Alex Gino. ISBN 9781338733891. Scholastic / Scholastic Press.

Aliens: Join the Scientists Searching Space for Extraterrestrial Life. Joalda Morancy and Amy Grimes; illus. Amy Grimes. ISBN 9781684492534. Macmillan / Neon Squid.

Amari and the Great Game. B. B. Alston. ISBN 9780062975195. HarperCollins / Balzer + Bray.

Attack of the Black Rectangles. A. S. King. ISBN 9781338680522. Scholastic / Scholastic Press.

Black Bird, Blue Road. Sofiya Pasternack. ISBN 9780358572039. HarperCollins / Versify.

Caprice. Coe Booth. ISBN 9780545933346. Scholastic / Scholastic Inc.

Different Kinds of Fruit. Kyle Lukoff. ISBN 9780593111185. Penguin Young Readers / Dial Books.

A Duet for Home. Karina Yan Glaser. ISBN 9780544876408. HarperCollins / Clarion Books.

The Elephant Girl. James Patterson, Ellen Banda-Aaku, and Sophia Krevoy. ISBN 9780316316927. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers.

Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Puberty—and Shouldn't Learn on TikTok: For Curious Girls. Gemma Hong and Sophie Young; illus. Amelia Pinney. ISBN 9781950587360. Downtown Bookworks.

Falling Short. Ernesto Cisneros. ISBN 9780062881724. HarperCollins / Quill Tree Books.

Freewater. Amina Luqman-Dawson. ISBN 9780316056618. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers.

Front Country. Sara St. Antoine. ISBN 9781797215631. Chronicle Books.

Garvey in the Dark. Nikki Grimes. ISBN 9781635925265. Astra Books for Young Readers / Wordsong.

Hardcourt. Fred Bowen; illus. James E. Ransome. ISBN 9781534460430. Simon & Schuster / Margaret K. McElderry Books.

Hummingbird. Natalie Lloyd. ISBN 9781338654585. Scholastic / Scholastic Press.

Isla to Island. written and illustrated by Alexis Castellanos. ISBN 9781534469242. Simon & Schuster / Atheneum BFYR.

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LIBRARIAN FAVORITES

Island of Spies. Sheila Turnage. ISBN 9780735231252. Penguin Young Readers / Dial Books.

Jennifer Chan Is Not Alone. Tae Keller. ISBN 9780593310526.
Random House Children's Books / Random House BFYR.

Karthik Delivers. Sheela Chari. ISBN 9781419755224.
Abrams Children's Books / Amulet Books.

Maizy Chen's Last Chance. Lisa Yee. ISBN 9781984830258.
Random House Children's Books / Random House BFYR.

Moonflower. Kacen Callender. ISBN 9781338636598. Scholastic / Scholastic Inc.

My Own Lightning. Lauren Wolk. ISBN 9780525555599.
Penguin Young Readers / Dutton BFYR.

Operation Sisterhood. Olugbemisola Rhuday-Perkovich. ISBN 9780593379899.
Random House Children's Books / Crown BFYR.

The Road to After. Rebekah Lowell. ISBN 9780593109618.
Penguin Young Readers / Nancy Paulsen Books.

Sardines. Sashi Kaufman. ISBN 9780062995612. HarperCollins / Quill Tree Books.

Sharks Forever: The Mystery and History of the Planet's Perfect Predator. Mark Leiren-Young.
ISBN 9781459827561. Orca Book Publishers.

Singing with Elephants. Margarita Engle. ISBN 9780593206690.
Penguin Young Readers / Viking BFYR.

Star Child: A Biographical Constellation of Octavia Estelle Butler. Ibi Zoboi.
ISBN 9780399187384. Penguin Young Readers / Dutton BFYR.

Swim Team. written and illustrated by Johnnie Christmas. ISBN 9780063056770.
HarperCollins / HarperAlley

Team Chu and the Battle for Blackwood Arena. Julie Dao. ISBN 9780374388751.
Macmillan / FSG BYR.

Thirst. Varsha Bajaj. ISBN 9780593354391. Penguin Young Readers / Nancy Paulsen Books.

Trouble at Turtle Pond. Diana Renn. ISBN 9781646032273.
Regal House Publishing / Fitzroy Books.

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LIBRARIAN FAVORITES

True History: A New History of Immigration. Jaclyn Backhaus. ISBN 9780593386125.
Penguin Young Readers / Penguin Workshop.

True History: Indigenous America. Liam McDonald. ISBN 9780593386088.
Penguin Young Readers / Penguin Workshop.

Tumble. Celia C. Pérez. ISBN 9780593325179. Penguin Young Readers / Kokila.

Unlawful Orders: A Portrait of Dr. James B. Williams, Tuskegee Airman, Surgeon, and Activist (Scholastic Focus). Barbara Binns. ISBN 9781338754261. Scholastic / Scholastic Focus.

The Visitors. Greg Howard. ISBN 9780593111888.
Penguin Young Readers / G.P. Putnam's Sons BFYR.

Wait Till Helen Comes Graphic Novel. Mary Downing Hahn; illus. Meredith Laxton.
ISBN 9780358536901. HarperCollins / Clarion Books.

Yonder. Ali Standish. ISBN 9780062985682. HarperCollins.

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NINTH TO TWELFTH GRADE

Aces Wild: A Heist. Amanda DeWitt. ISBN 9781682634660. Holiday House / Peachtree Teen.

Ain't Burned All the Bright. Jason Reynolds; illus. Jason Griffin. ISBN 9781534439467. Simon & Schuster / Caitlyn Dlouhy Books / Atheneum BFYR.

All My Rage. Sabaa Tahir. ISBN 9780593202340. Penguin Young Readers / Razorbill.

All of Our Demise. Amanda Foody and C.L. Herman. ISBN 9781250789341. Tor / Tor Teen.

As Fast As Her. Kendall Coyne. ISBN 9780310771135. HarperCollins Christian Publishing / Zondervan YA.

At the End of Everything. Marieke Nijkamp. ISBN 9781492673156. Sourcebooks / Sourcebooks Fire.

Bravely. Maggie Steifvater. ISBN 9781368071345. Disney Publishing Worldwide / Disney Press.

Curse of the Chosen Vol. 1: A Matter of Life and Death & A Game Without Rules. written and illustrated by Alexis Deacon. ISBN 9781910620830. Nobrow US Inc. / Flying Eye Books.

Drizzle, Dreams, and Lovestruck Things. Maya Prasad. ISBN 9781368075800. Disney Publishing Worldwide / Disney Hyperion.

Ducks: Two Years in the Oil Sands. written and illustrated by Kate Beaton. ISBN 9781770462892. Drawn & Quarterly.

Gallant. V. E. Schwab. ISBN 9780062835772. HarperCollins / Greenwillow Books.

The Getaway. Lamar Giles. ISBN 9781338752014. Scholastic / Scholastic Press.

The Ghosts of Rose Hill. R.M. Romero. ISBN 9781682633380. Holiday House / Peachtree Teen.

The Gifts That Bind Us. Caroline O'Donoghue. ISBN 9781536222227. Candlewick Press / Walker Books US.

The Gilded Ones #2: The Merciless Ones. Namina Forna. ISBN 9781984848727. Random House Children's Books / Delacorte Press.

Girl on Fire. Alicia Keys; illus. Brittney Williams. ISBN 9780063029569. HarperCollins / HarperAlley.

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LIBRARIAN FAVORITES

A Girl's Guide to Love & Magic. Debbie Rigaud. ISBN 9781338681741.
Scholastic / Scholastic Press.

Girls Who Green the World: Thirty-Four Rebel Women Out to Save Our Planet. Diana Kapp; illus. Ana Jarén. ISBN 9780593428054. Random House Children's Books / Delacorte Press.

Gleanings. Neal Shusterman. ISBN 9781534499973. Simon & Schuster / Simon & Schuster BFYR.

Golden Boys. Phil Stamper. ISBN 9781547607372. Bloomsbury / Bloomsbury YA.

The Greatest Thing. Sarah Winifred Searle. ISBN 9781250297235. Macmillan / First Second.

Harley Quinn: Reckoning. Rachael Allen. ISBN 9780593429860.
Random House Children's Books / Random House BFYR.

Hell Followed With Us. Andrew Joseph White. ISBN 9781682633243.
Holiday House / Peachtree Teen.

The Honeys. Ryan La Sala. ISBN 9781338745313. Scholastic / PUSH.

I Must Betray You. Ruta Sepetys. ISBN 9781984836038.
Penguin Young Readers / Philomel Books.

If Anything Happens I Love You. Will McCormack and Michael Govier. Youngran Nho.
ISBN 9781524871253. Andrews McMeel Publishing.

Legendborn. Tracy Deonn. ISBN 9781534441613.
Simon & Schuster / Margaret K. McElderry Books.

The Luminaries. Susan Dennard. ISBN 9781250194046. Tor / Tor Teen.

Monsters Born and Made. Tanvi Berwah. ISBN 9781728247625.
Sourcebooks / Sourcebooks Fire.

My Mechanical Romance. Alexene Farol Follmuth. ISBN 9780823450107. Holiday House.

My Name Is Jason. Mine Too. Jason Reynolds and Jason Griffin. ISBN 9781534478220.
Simon & Schuster / Caitlyn Dlouhy Books / Atheneum BFYR.

Nowhere Girl. Magali Le Huche. ISBN 9781913123192. Nobrow US Inc. / Nobrow.

Seoulmates. Susan Lee. ISBN 9781335915788. Harlequin / Inkyard Press.

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The Weight of Blood. Tiffany D. Jackson. ISBN 9780063029149.
HarperCollins / Katherine Tegen Books.

Welcome to St. Hell: My Trans Teen Misadventure: A Graphic Novel. Lewis Hancox.
ISBN 9781338824438. Scholastic / Graphix.

When You Call My Name. Tucker Shaw. ISBN 9781250624864. Macmillan / Henry Holt BYR.

Wolves Are Waiting. Natasha Friend. ISBN 9780316045315.
Little, Brown Books for Young Readers.

You Truly Assumed. Laila Sabreen. ISBN 9781335418654. Harlequin / Inkyard Press.

Youngblood. Sasha Laurens. ISBN 9780593353202. Penguin Young Readers / Razorbill.

Zyla & Kai. Kristina Forest. ISBN 9780593407240. Penguin Young Readers / Kokila.

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