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The Bad Guys By Aaron Blabey

The Bad Guys, Mr. Wolf, Mr. Shark, Mr. Snake, and Mr. Piranha, want to be heroes, and they decide that the way to do it is free the 200 dogs in the city dog pound--but their plan soon goes awry.



Boris on the Move by Andrew Joyner

Boris lives in Hogg Bay, in an old bus that used to travel all over the world, but now just sits there--until one day when his parents take him on an adventure.



Dinosaurs Before Dark By Mary Pope Osborne

J Series Magic

First in the Magic Tree House series. Jack and his sister Annie find a magic tree house, which whisks them back to an ancient time zone where they see live dinosaurs.



Game Over By Thomas Flintham

J Series Branches

Part of the Press Start series by Branches. When King Viking and his evil robot army attack Animal Town, and kidnap Singing Dog, it is up to Super Rabbit Boy, with some help from Sunny and his video game console, to save the day.



Max and the Midknights By Lincoln Peirce

JCOMIC Peirce

Max and a group of friends dubbed the Midknights go on a quest to rescue the Kingdom of Byjovia from the mean King Gastley!



Mia Mayhem is a Superhero by Kara West

First in the Mia Mayhem series. Eight-year-old Mia Macarooney is delighted to learn she is from a family of superheroes, but her acceptance into the Program for In Training Superheroes requires she take a placement exam.



Captain Awesome by Stan Kirby

When second-grader Eugene and his family move to a new neighborhood and he starts at a new school, he has a chance to bring out his superhero alter ego, Captain Awesome, to find the kidnapped class hamster.



The Mysterious Moonstone by Eric Luper

Part of the Key Hunters series. Neither Cleo nor Evan like the new school librarian, Ms. Crowley, but they are very curious about where she disappears to at the back of the library, so one day they follow her--and find clues telling them that she is trapped somewhere between the covers of one of the enchanted books, and they must travel through the stories in order to save her.



Prince of Underwhere By Bruce Hale

First in the Underwhere series. When Zeke, and his friends slide into the world of Underwhere, Zeke is hailed as a prince who will, according to an ancient prophecy, free the Undies from the evil UnderLord's rule.



Princess in Black By Shannon Hale

Who says princesses don't wear black? When trouble raises its blue monster head, Princess Magnolia ditches her flouncy dresses and becomes the Princess in Black!



Runaway Ralph By Beverly Cleary

Ralph runs away looking for freedom, but winds up as a prisoner at a summer camp.



Sydney & Taylor Explore the Whole Wide World by Jacqueline Davies

Sydney is a skunk and Taylor is a hedgehog, but no matter how odd the pairing may seem, their friendship comes naturally. They live happily in their cozy burrow . . . until the day Taylor gets his Big Idea to go see the Whole Wide World.





Buckle and Squash: The Perilous Princess Plot By Sarah Courtauld

This is the story of two very different sisters--Eliza, who longs to ride into battle against villains and dragons, and Lavender, who would give anything to be a pampered princess. They head out into the forest and come face to face with an evil count, who definitely does not have their best interests at heart.



Grilled Cheese and Dragons by Nancy Krulik

First in the Princess Pulveriser series. Meet the princess who'd rather wear a suit of armor than a crown! Princess Serena (or as she prefers, Princess Pulverizer) doesn't want to be a princess--she wants to be a knight! As challenges are presented the princess must first go on a Quest of Kindness and perform good deeds to prove that she truly deserves to go to knight school.



Wonder Woman at Superhero High by Lisa Yee

Part of the DC Superhero Girls Series. Wonder Woman's desire to become a superhero takes her to Super Hero High, where she juggles new friendships, intensive training, and a roommate obsessed with social media.



Let's Mooove! by Courtney Sheinmel

First in the Magic on the Move series. On the last day of second grade, twins Finn and Molly discover a magical camper in their driveway that takes them from Ohio to Colorado.



Octo-man and the Headless Monster by Jane Kelley

From the Escapades of Clint McCool series. Clint McCool's ideas often get him into trouble, but with the help of his special cap, brain flashes, and his two best friends, he may be able to fix the problem he caused on a movie set.



Curse of the Bologna Sandwich By Greg Trine

First in the "Melvin Beederman, Superhero" series. After graduating from the Superhero academy, Melvin Beederman heads for Los Angeles, where he unexpectedly teams up with Candace Brinkwater, school play actress, to nab the evil McNasty Brothers.



Dragons and Marshmallows by Asia Citro

Part of the Zoey and Sassafras series. A girl, Zoey, and her cat, Sassafras, use science experiments to help a dragon with a problem.



Dory Fantasmagory By Abby Hanlon

Dory, the youngest in her family, is a girl with a very active imagination, and she spends the summer playing with her imaginary friend, pretending to be a dog, battling monsters, and generally driving her family nuts.



The Boy Who Crashed to Earth By Judd Winick

JCOMIC Winick

Part of the Hilo series. When a mysterious boy falls from the sky, friends D.J. and Gina must discover the secrets of his identity and help him save the world.



Lost Treasure of the Emerald Eye By Geronimo Stilton

First in the "Geronimo Stilton" series. When Geronimo's sister, Thea, discovers an old, mysterious map showing a secret treasure hidden on a faraway island, the gang of the "Rodent's gazette" is dragged into a treasure hunt.



Mac Undercover By Mac Barnett

Part of the Mac B. Kid Spy series. One day, Mac (smartest boy in his class in a small town in California) receives a telephone call from the Queen of England, recruiting him to find the crown jewels (well, actually just the Coronation Spoon) and so Mac embarks on his first adventure as a secret agent--with the assurance that the Queen will give him a note excusing him from school. Also try other series by Mac Barnett.



March of the Mini Beasts by Ada Hopper

Part of the "Data Set" series. Three second-graders who love science get thrown into a wild spiral of adventures after meeting their reclusive neighbor, Dr. Gustav Bunsen. When Dr. Bunen's growth ray hits a crate of animal figurines, the toys not only start growing, but also come to life.



Mutant Rat Attack by Jay Cooper

Part of the Spy Next Door series. Third-grader Dexter Drabner dreams of being a skateboarding-hero-spy, while contending with his nemesis at school, Millicent the bully--and when science teacher Mr. McFur's prized lab rat, Pretty, eats a piece of radioactive gamma broccoli and grows to the size of an elephant, he gets his chance to save the school from destruction.



Rise of the Earth Dragon By Tracey West

J Series Branches

Part of the Dragon Masters series. Drake is snatched up by the King's soldiers and taken to the castle where he is told by the wizard that he has been chosen to be a Dragon Master.



Space Taxi: Archie Takes Flight by Wendy Mass

On "Take Your Kid to Work Day," eight-year-old Archie discovers that his father drives a space taxi that shuttles aliens from one area of the universe to another.



Black Panther: The Young Prince by Ronald Smith

Part of the Black Panther series. He felt the mesh of the Vibranium under his fingertips, smooth yet hard at the same time. It almost seemed like it pulsed. Like it wanted to be worn. 'This is the suit of the Black Panther,' T'Challa whispered. 'The suit of my father and his father before him.' He let the fabric fall from his hands and unfurl toward the floor. 'I have to do this,' he said. 'I have no choice.



Getting Air by Dan Gutman

After foiling a terrorist hijacking aboard their airplane, fourteen-year-old Jimmy, his younger sister, and two skateboarding friends crash-land the plane and try to survive in a forest wilderness until help arrives.



Dragonbreath by Ursula Vernon

Danny Dragonbreath and his friend Wendell get an up-close underwater tour of the Sargasso Sea from Danny's sea-serpent cousin, encountering giant squid and make sharks--and learn about standing up to bullies in the process.



Harriet the Invincible By Urusla Vernon

Part of the Hamster Princess series. Never a conventional princess, Harriet becomes an adventurer after learning she is cursed to fall into a deep sleep on her twelfth birthday, but after two years of slaying ogres, cliff-diving, and more with her riding quail, Mumfrey, things go awry at home and she must seek a prince to set things right.



Help! I'm a Prisoner in the Library By Eth Clifford

Two girls spend an adventurous night trapped inside the public library during a terrible blizzard



How to be a Supervillain by Michael Fry

First in the How to be a Supervillain series. Twelve-year-old Victor Spoil comes from a long line of famous supervillains and he's fully expected to join their ranks one day. But to his family's utter disappointment, Victor doesn't have a single bad-guy bone in his body. He won't run with scissors, he always finishes his peas, and he can't stand to be messy. Hopeless!



The Mount Rushmore Calamity By Sara Pennypacker

First in the "Flat Stanley's Worldwide Adventures" series. Hoping to escape the attention brought on by the accident that flattened Stanley, the Lambchop family drives to South Dakota, where they become involved in a Wild West adventure at Mount Rushmore.



Almost Super by Marion Jenson

Each leap year, every member of the Bailey family over the age of twelve gets a superpower. It's the Baileys duty to protect the world from the evil, super-villainous Johnsons. This year, it's Rafter and his brother, Benny's turn. But when their powers arrive, they are, well, duds. They are shocked when they realize that Juanita Johnson thinks that her family are the superheroes and the Baileys are the villains. What if everything Rafter thought he knew about superheroes turns out to be a lie?



Study Hall of Justice by Derek Fridolfs

J Comic Fridolfs

Part of the Secret Hero Society series. My name is Bruce Wayne, and I'm the new kid (UGH) at Ducard Academy. There's a gang of clowns roaming the halls, a kid named Bane wants to beat me up, and the guidance counselor, Hugo Strange, seems really, well, strange. At least I have two new friends and we're going to solve this case no matter what, even if I have to convince Alfred to let me stay up past eleven.



Toys Go Out By Emily Jenkins

Six stories relate the adventures of three best friends that happen to be toys.



Zeus and the Thunderbolt of Doom By Joan Holub

Ten-year-old Zeus is mystified (and super annoyed) by the fact that he keeps getting hit by lightning. Every. Single. Year. He longs for adventure, and gets his wish- and a lot more than he bargained far for- when he is kidnapped by dangerous, giant Titans! In self-defense, Zeus grabs the first thing he sees- an actual thunderbolt he pulls from a stone that is covered in mysterious markings.





The Castle in the Attic By Elizabeth Winthrop

A gift of a castle, complete with a silver knight, introduces William to an adventure involving magic and a personal quest.



Dog's Way Home by Bobbie Pyron

After a car accident strands them at opposite ends of the Blue Ridge Parkway, eleven-year-old Abby and her beloved sheltie Tam overcome months filled with physical and emotional challenges to find their way back to each other.



The Explorer by Katherine Rundell

Left stranded in the Amazon jungle when their plane crashes on their way back to England from Manaus, Brazil, four children struggle to survive for days until one of them finds a map that leads them to a ruined city and a secret hidden among the vines.



Giants Beware by Jorge Aguirre and Rafael Rosado.

J Comic Aguirre

Part of the Chronicles of Claudette series. Claudette dreams of being a courageous knight and slaying a dragon. Her surly father, a blacksmith who lost his legs in a dangerous quest, doesn't want her to leave the village. With some trusty companionships, she defies his wishes and heads out for adventure.



Hatchet By Gary Paulsen

After a plane crash, thirteen-year-old Brian spends fifty-four days in the wilderness, learning to survive with only the aid of a hatchet.



I Survived the Shark Attacks of 1916 By Lauren Tarshis

J Series Survived

First in the "I Survived" series. In July, 1916, Chet Roscow is fascinated by news accounts of the great white shark said to be attacking people along the New Jersey shore not far from his home, but when he goes swimming in Matawan Creek he discovers the truth of the stories. Also try the graphic novels!



Nazi Prison Camp Escapes by Michael Burgan

First in the Great Escapes Series. The epic story of William Ash and the escape from Stalag Luft III German POW camp during World War II.



School for Sidekicks by Kelly McCullough

Superhero geek Evan survives a supervillain's death ray, and is sent to the Academy for Metahuman Operatives. Unfortunately, instead of fighting bad guys, Evan finds himself blacklisted, and on the wrong side of the school's director. Can he convince his semi-retired has-been mentor to become a real hero once again?



Titanic Crossing By Barbara Williams

In 1912 Albert considers his younger sister a pest, but things change when they travel with their mother and uncle aboard the Titanic and are caught up in its tragic sinking.



The Whipping Boy By Sid Fleishman

A bratty prince and his whipping boy have many adventures when they inadvertently trade places after becoming involved with dangerous outlaws.



Wild Robot By Peter Brown

Roz the robot discovers that she is alone on a remote, wild island with no memory of where she is from or why she is there, and her only hope of survival is to try to learn about her new environment from the island's hostile inhabitants.

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Akiko on the Planet Smoo By Mark Crilley

Ten-year-old Akiko has an unexpected adventure when she is whisked away to a distant planet and put in charge of the rescue mission that must search for the kidnapped Prince Froptoppit.



The Empty City by Erin Hunter

Part of the Survivor series. Lucky is a golden-haired mutt with a nose for survival. He has always been a Lone Dog, relying on his instincts to get by. Other dogs have Packs, but Lucky stands alone. Then the Big Growl strikes. Suddenly, the ground is split wide open. Now Lucky is trapped in a strange and desolate new world with no food, foul water, and enemies at every turn.



Hero's Guide to Saving Your Kingdom By Christopher Healy

Rejected by their princesses and cast out of their castles, the princes stumble upon an evil plot that could endanger each of their kingdoms. Now it's up to them to triumph over their various shortcomings, take on trolls, bandits, dragons, witches, and other assorted terrors, and become the heroes no one ever thought they could be.



How I became a Spy: A Mystery of WWII London by Deborah Hopkinson

Bertie Bradshaw never set out to become a spy. He never imagined traipsing around war-torn London, solving ciphers, practicing surveillance, and searching for a traitor to the Allied forces. But when a young woman goes missing, leaving behind a coded notebook, Bertie is determined to solve the mystery.



Into the Wild By Erin Hunter

First in the Warriors series. As prophesized, a young house cat becomes an apprentice warrior in a clan of wild cats, where he faces many dangers and treachery both within and outside of his new clan.



Knights vs. Dinosaurs By Matt Phelan

With the realm at peace and few dragons about, the Knights of the Round Table are bored, so Merlin sends them to face the most terrible lizards of all--dinosaurs.



Last Kids on Earth By Max Brailler

After a monster apocalypse hits town, average thirteen-year-old Jack Sullivan builds a team of friends to help slay the eerily intelligent monster known as Blarg.



Missing on Superstition Mountain By Elise Broach

When brothers Simon, Henry, and Jack move with their parents to Arizona, they are irresistibly drawn to explore the aptly named Superstition Mountain, in spite of warnings that it is not safe.



Mrs. Smith's Spy School for Girls by Beth McMullen

Part of the Mrs. Smith's Spy School for Girls series. Twelve-year-old Abigail is shocked to discover her elite boarding school is really a cover for a huge spy ring, and must undergo Spy Training 101 in order to save her mother, who happens to be the spy ring's top agent.



Odysseus in the Serpent Maze By Jane Yolen

First in the "Young Heroes" series. Thirteen-year-old Odysseus proves himself a hero during an adventure involving pirates, satyrs, and a trip to Crete's Labyrinth.



Secret Identity By Wendelin VanDraanen

First in the "Shredderman" series. Fifth-grader Nolan Byrd, tired of being called names by the class bully, has a secret identity--Shredderman!



Sky Raiders By Brandon Mull

Whisked through a portal to The Outskirts, an in-between world, sixth-grader Cole must rescue his friends and find his way back home--before his existence is forgotten.



The Super Life of Ben Braver by Marcus Emerson

Ben Braver is sent to a secret school where kids with super abilities learn to control their powers, even though he does not have any super abilities and no one has ever thought he could be special.



The Unbeatable Squirrel Girl: Squirrel Meets World by Shammon Hale

With her unique combination of wit, empathy and squirrel powers, computer science student Doreen Green is all that stands between the Earth and total destruction! Well, Doreen plus her friends Tippy-Toe (a squirrel) and Nancy (a regular human). What hope does Earth have if Doreen gets hurled back in time and erased from history? Some hope she encounters various animal friends and foes.



Capture the Flag by Kate Messner

When the original Star Spangled Banner is stole, seventh-graders Anne, Jose, and Henry, all descendants of the Silver Jaguar Society, pursue suspects on airport carts and through baggage handling tunnels while strangled at a Washington, D.C. airport during a snowstorm.



George Washington's Socks By Elvira Woodruff

Five children find themselves transported into the time of the American Revolution, where they begin to live out American history firsthand and learn the sober realities of war.



Grenade By Alan Gratz

On April 1, 1945 with the battle of Okinawa beginning, fourteen-year-old native Okinawan Hideki, drafted into the Blood and Iron Student Corps, is handed two grenades and told to go kill American soldiers; Hideki does not really want to kill anyone, he just wants to find his family.



Half Magic By Edward Eager

Four children, looking forward to an ordinary summer, enjoy a series of fantastic adventures by double wishing on an ancient coin.



Lifeboat 12 By Susan Hood

In 1940, a group of British children, their escorts, and some sailors struggle to survive in a lifeboat when the ship taking them to safety in Canada is torpedoed.



Rescue on the Oregon Trail by Kate Messener

Part of the Rangers in Time series. Ranger, a golden retriever, could have been a great search-and-rescue-dog except for the squirrels--but one day he unearths a mysterious box and finds himself transported back to the year 1850.



Sidekicked by John David Anderson

Andrew Bean might be a part of H.E.R.O., a secret organization for the training of superhero sidekicks, but that doesn't mean that life is all leaping tall buildings in single bounds. First, there's Drew's power: Possessed of super senses--his hearing, sight, taste, touch, and smell are the most powerful on the planet--he's literally the most sensitive kid in school. Then there's his superhero mentor, a former legend who now spends more time straddling barstools than fighting crime. Add in trying to keep his sidekick life a secret from everyone, including his parents, and the truth is clear: Middle school is a drag even with superpowers



SOS Titanic By Eve Bunting

Fifteen-year-old Barry O'Neill, traveling from Ireland to America on the maiden voyage of the Titanic, finds his life endangered when the ship hits an iceberg and begins to sink.



Treasure Hunters By James Patterson

In the first book from the Treasure Hunters series, after his father disappears, twelve-year-old Bick and his three siblings follow their treasure-hunting father's clues to finish his work. Surfer pirates and others try to stop them, but the siblings are full of tricks!



Monstrous Devices By Damien Love

Alex, nearly thirteen, flees with his grandfather across snow Europe to escape the human and mechanical assassins that pursue them, trying to retrieve a powerful object.



Penny Draws a Secret Adventure by Sara Shepard

Penny and her friends find an old map that takes them on a search through their town for hidden treasure



A Week in the Woods By Andrew Clements

The fifth grade's annual camping trip in the woods tests Mark's survival skills and his ability to relate to a teacher who seems out to get him.





Book of the Dead By Michael Northrop

Part of the Tombquest series. When Alex Sennefer's mother uses the Lost Spells from the Egyptian Book of the Dead to bring her son from the brink of dying, she also brings back five Death Walkers, leaving Alex and his best friend to find his mother and save the world.



Julie of the Wolves By Jean Craighead George

While running away from home, a thirteen-year-old Eskimo girl becomes lost on the North Slope of Alaska and is befriended by a wolf pack.



Lions and Liars by Kate Beasley

Fifth-grader Frederick is sent to a disciplinary camp where he and his terrifying troop mates have just started forging a friendship when they learn a Category 5 hurricane is headed their way.



The Maze of Bones By Rick Riordan

First in the "39 Clues" series. What if you were told that the source of the family's power was hidden around the world in the form of 39 clues if you were given a choice of taking a million dollars or getting the first clue to the mystery? If you're Amy and Dan Cahill, you take the clue, and begin a very dangerous race!



My Side of the Mountain By Jean Craighead George

A young boy relates his adventures during the year he spends alone in the Catskill Mountains, including his struggle for survival, his dependence on nature, and his animal friends.



The Name of this Book is Secret By Pseudonymous Bosch

First in the "Secret" series. Two eleven-year-old misfits try to solve the mystery of a dead magician and stop the evil Dr. L and Ms. Mauvais, who are searching for the secret of immortality.



Samantha Spinner and the Super-Secret Plans by Russell Ginns

When Samantha's uncle mysteriously disappears, leaving behind extravagant gifts for her siblings and an old, rusty, red umbrella for Samantha that may contain clues to his whereabouts.



Spy School By Stuart Gibbs

First in the Spy School Series. Twelve-year-old Ben Ripley leaves his public middle school to attend the CIA's highly secretive Espionage Academy, which everyone is told is an elite science school.



The Templeton Twins Have an Idea By Ellis Weiner

First in the "Templeton Twins" series. Abigail and John, the Templeton twins, and their dog Cassie, foil a pair of inept kidnappers intent on stealing one of their father's newest inventions.





The Bad Beginning By Lemony Snicket

The first in the "Series of Unfortunate Events". After the sudden death of their parents the three Baudelaire orphans must depend on each other and their wits when their new guardian turns out to be the evil Count Olaf.



Holes By Louis Sachar

As further evidence of his family's bad fortune which they attribute to a curse on a distant relative, Stanley Yelnats is sent to a hellish correctional camp in the Texas desert where he finds his first real friend, a treasure, and a new sense of himself.



Island of the Blue Dolphins By Scott O'Dell

Records the courage and self-reliance of an Indian girl who lived alone for eighteen years on an isolated island off the California coast when her tribe emigrated and she was left behind.



Kensuke's Kingdom By Michael Morpurgo

When Michael is swept off his family's yacht, he washes up on desert island, where he struggles to survive...until he finds out he is not alone.



Masterminds by Gordon Korman

A group of kids discovers they were cloned from the DNA of some of the greatest criminal masterminds in history for a sociological experiment.



Mission Unstoppable By Dan Gutman

First in the "Genius Files" series. On a cross-country vacation with their parents, twins Coke and Pepsi, soon to be thirteen, fend off strange assassins as they try to come to terms with their being part of a top-secret government organization known as the genius files.



Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH By Robert C. O'Brien

Mrs. Frisbys yearly trek from the garden to the summer haven is complicated when her youngest son, Timothy, falls ill with pneumonia. With the help of a sophisticated group of rats called NIMH, Mrs. Frisby will experience the most perilous journey of her life...all for the love of her family.



A Mutiny in Time By James Dashner

First in the "Infinity Ring" series. Time has gone wrong, and best friends Dak Smyth and Sera Froste, together with the young Hystorian Riq, must use the infinity ring to travel back to one of the Great Breaks--a mutiny on the Santa Marla--to correct history and defeat the SQ.



NERDS By Michael Buckley

First in the "NERDS" series. While running a spy network from their elementary school, five unpopular misfits combine their talents and use cutting-edge gadgetry to fight evil around the world.



Secrets at Sea By Richard Peck

The Cranston mice stow away in the luggage...and so begins the time of their lives, as they meet intriguing, cosmopolitan mice on-board a cruise ship and take it upon themselves to help the human Cranston daughters find love.



True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle By Avi

Both the only passenger and only female on a transatlantic voyage in 1832, thirteen-year-old Charlotte finds herself caught between a murderous captain and a mutinous crew.



The Twenty-One Balloons By William Pene Du Bois

Relates the incredible adventures of Professor William Waterman Sherman who in 1883 sets off in a balloon across the Pacific, survives the volcanic eruption of Krakatoa, and is eventually picked up in the Atlantic.



The Wanderer By Sharon Creech

Two cousins record their transatlantic journey aboard a sailboat, which, along with uncles and another cousin, is en route to visit their grandfather in England.





Aru Shah and the End of Time 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.



Cape by Kate Hannigan

First in the League of Superheroes. Soon after being recruited by the mysterious Mrs. Boudica to join a secret military intelligence operation, Josie, Mae, and Akiko discover their superhero abilities and use them to thwart a Nazi plot to steal the ENIAC computer.



Hoot By Carl Hiaasen

Roy, who is new to his small Florida community, becomes involved in another boy's attempt to save a colony of burrowing owls from a proposed construction site.



The Lightning Thief By Rick Riordan

First in the "Percy Jackson and the Olympians" series. Twelve-year-old Percy Jackson learns he is a demigod and gets sent to a summer camp for demigods where he and his new friends set out on a quest to prevent a war between the gods.



The Mysterious Benedict Society By Trenton Lee Stewart

First in the "Mysterious Benedict Society" series. After passing a series of mind-bending tests, four children are selected for a secret mission that requires them to go undercover at the Learning Institute for the Very Enlightened, where the only rule is that there are no rules.



Running out of Time By Margaret Peterson Haddix

When a diphtheria epidemic hits her 1840 village, Jesse discovers it is actually a modern tourist site under unseen observation by heartless scientists and she must leave and try to save a village.



SilverFin: a James Bond Adventure By Charles Higson

First in the Young Bond Series. Prequel to the adventures of James Bond, 007, introduces the young James when he is just starting boarding school in England and is about to become involved in his first adventure.



Trackers By Patrick Carman

First in the "Trackers" series. Through a collage of videos, text, and websites, Trackers #1 follows Adam, Finn, Lewis and Emily as they become entangled in a high-tech, high-stakes game of cat and mouse with Shantorian, the world's most dangerous hacker.





The Blackthorn Key by Kevin Sand

First in the trilogy. In 1665 London, fourteen-year-old Christopher Rowe, apprentice to an apothecary, and his best friend, Tom, try to uncover the truth behind a mysterious cult, following a trail of puzzles, codes, pranks, and danger toward an unearthly secret with the power to tear the world apart.



Call it Courage By Armstrong Sperry

Relates how a young Polynesian boy overcomes his terrible fear of the sea and proves his courage to himself and his people.



The Dragonet Prophecy By Tui Sutherland

First in the Wings of Fire series. Clay and his friends have grown up under a mountain, secretly raised by the Talons of Peace to fulfill a mysterious prophecy. The five young dragons are destined to end the war that's been raging between the tribes of Pyrrhia -- but how they'll do this?



A Girl Named Disaster By Nancy Farmer

While fleeing from an unwanted marriage, Nhamo struggles to escape drowning and starvation and in doing so comes close to the luminous world of the African spirits.



My Aunt is a Monster by Reimena Yee

The reclusive Lord Whimsy plans to stop an old rival from uncovering the truth of a disappearance and blind Safia finds herself experiencing an adventure and parts of the world she had only dreamed about



The Ruins of Gorlan By John Flanagan

First in the "Ranger's Apprentice" series. When fifteen-year-old Will is rejected by battle school, he becomes the reluctant apprentice to the mysterious Ranger Halt, and winds up protecting the kingdom from danger.



Take Me to the River By Will Hobbs

When North Carolina fourteen-year-old Dylan Sands joins his fifteen-year-old cousin Rio in running the Rio Grande River, they face a tropical storm and a fugitive kidnapper.



The Wishing Spell By Chris Colfer

First in the Land of Stories series. Alex and Conner Bailey's world is about to change. Through the mysterious powers of a cherished book of stories, they leave their world behind and find themselves in a foreign land full of wonder and magic where they come face-to-face with the fairy tale characters they grew up reading about.



Artemis Fowl By Eoin Colfer

First in the "Artemis Fowl" series. When a twelve-year-old evil genius tries to restore his family fortune by capturing a fairy and demanding a ransom in gold, the fairies fight back with magic, technology and a particularly nasty troll.



Refugee By Alan Gratz

Although separated by continents and decades, Josef, a Jewish boy living in 1930s Nazi Germany; Isabel, a Cuban girl trying to escape her country in 1994; and Mahmoud, a Syrian boy in 2015 embark on harrowing journeys in search of refuge, discovering shocking connections that tie their stories together.



The Last Mapmaker by Christina Soontornvat

As assistant to Mangkon's most celebrated mapmaker, twelve-year-old Sai plays the part of a well-bred young lady with a glittering future. In reality, her father is a conman--and in a kingdom where the status of one's ancestors dictates their social position, the truth could ruin her. Sai seizes the chance to join an expedition to chart the southern seas, but she isn't the only one aboard with secrets.



Time Traveling with a Hamster by Ross Welford

Al Chaudhury gets a letter and a hamster from his deceased father. The letter tells him to find his father's time travel machine and go back in time to avert a disaster.





Fever, 1793 By Laurie Halse Anderson

In 1793 Philadelphia, Matilda, separated from her sick mother, learns about perseverance and self-reliance when she is forced to cope with the horrors of a yellow fever epidemic.



The Golden Compass By Philip Pullman

First in "His Dark Materials" series. Accompanied by her Daemon, Lyra sets out to prevent her best friend and other kidnapped children from becoming the subject of gruesome experiments in the far north.



H.I.V.E.: Higher Institute of Villainous Education By Mark Walden

First in the "H.I.V.E." series. Swept away to a hidden academy for training budding evil geniuses, Otto, a brilliant orphan, Wing, a sensitive warrior, Laura, a shy computer specialist, and Shelby, an infamous jewel thief, plot to beat the odds and escape the prison known as H.I.V.E.



Redwall by Brian Jacques

When the peaceful life of ancient Redwall Abbey is shattered by the arrival of the evil rat Cluny and his villainous hordes, Matthias, a young mouse, determines to find the legendary sword of Martin the Warrior which, he is convinced, will help Redwall's inhabitants destroy the enemy.



The Story of King Arthur and his Knights By Howard Pyle

The classic story of the legendary king and his brave knights of the round table.



Treasure Island By Robert Louis Stevenson

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