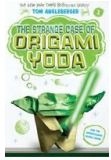


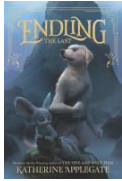
LEAVING 5th GRADE SUMMER RECS



The Strange Case of Origami Yoda - Origami Yoda Books Series - Realistic/Humor

Funny, charming tale of middle school crushes, friendships.

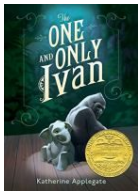
Tom Angleberger



The Last (Endling, Book 1) - Fantasy/Action

Byx, the last of the dairnes, sets out to find others of her kind and along the way meets new allies. The group soon uncovers a secret that threatens the lives of every creature in their world.

Katherine Applegate



The One and Only Ivan - Fantasy

When Ivan, a gorilla who has lived for years in a down-and-out circus-themed mall, meets Ruby, a baby elephant that has been added to the mall, he decides that he must find her a better life.

Katherine Applegate



The Unexpected Life of Oliver Cromwell Pitts: Being an Absolutely Accurate Autobiographical Account of my Follies, Fortunes, & Fate Written by Himself - Historical/Adventure

Oliver Cromwell Pitts wakes up to find his father missing and his home flooded which sets him on a series of dangerous and exciting events.

Avi



The Girl Who Drank the Moon - Fantasy/Friendship

"An epic fantasy about a young girl raised by a witch, a swamp monster, and a Perfectly Tiny Dragon, who must unlock the powerful magic buried deep inside her."

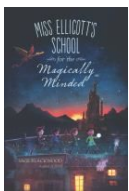
Kelly Barnhill



Almost Home - Realistic

With the help of a rescue dog, Shush; a foster family; a supportive teacher; a love of poetry; and her own grace and good humor, Sugar comes to understand that while she can't control the hand life deals her, she can control how she responds.

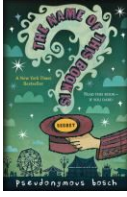
Joan Bauer



Miss Ellicott's School for the Magically Minded - Fantasy/Mystery

Repeatedly landing in trouble at her finishing school because of her preference for practicing magic instead of manners, Chantel enlists her friends to protect the kingdom when her teacher goes missing along with the city's protective magic.

Sage Blackwood



The Name of This Book is Secret - Secret Series - Fantasy/Mystery

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.

Pseudonymous Bosch



The War That Saved My Life - Historical

A young disabled girl and her brother are evacuated from London to the English countryside during World War II, where they find life to be much sweeter away from their abusive mother.

Kimberly Brubaker Bradley



The Last Kids on Earth - Sci-Fi/Humor

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

Max Brallier



The Fairy-Tale Detectives: The Sisters Grimm Series - Fantasy/Mystery

Orphans Sabrina and Daphne Grimm are sent to live with an eccentric grandmother, whom they have always believed to be dead.

Michael Buckley



Flunked - Fairy Tale Reform School Series - Fantasy

When petty thief Gilly gets caught stealing, she is sentenced to three months at Fairy Tale Reform School.

Jen Calonita

MackinVia eBook



The Storm Runner - Fantasy/Action

To prevent the Mayan gods from battling each other and destroying the world, thirteen-year-old Zane must unravel an ancient prophecy.

Jennifer Cervantes



The Wishing Spell - Land of Stories Series - Fantasy

Alex and Conner 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.

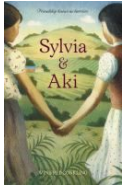
Chris Colfer



The Darkdeep - Fantasy

Middle-schoolers Nico, Tyler, Ella, and Opal discover a hidden island in a forbidden cove that appears uninhabited, but something ancient has awakened knowing their wishes, dreams, and darkest secrets.

Ally Condie



Sylvia & Aki - Historical

At the start of World War II, Japanese-American third-grader Aki and her family are sent to an internment camp in Poston, Arizona, while Mexican-American third-grader Sylvia's family leases their Orange County, California, farm and begins a fight to stop school segregation.
Winifred Conkling



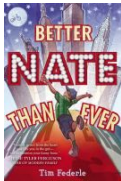
Raymie Nightingale - Historical/Family

Hoping that if she wins a local beauty pageant her father will come home, Raymie practices twirling a baton and performing good deeds as she is drawn into an unlikely friendship with a drama queen and a saboteur.
Kate DiCamillo



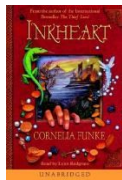
Out of My Mind - Realistic/Family

Girl with cerebral palsy conquers challenges in moving tale.
Sharon M. Draper



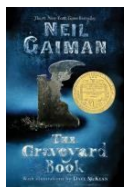
Better Nate Than Ever - Realistic/Humor

Terrific tale of a misfit taking bold steps to remake his life.
Tim Federle



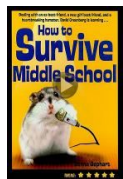
Inkheart - Fantasy

Twelve-year-old Meggie learns that her father Mo, a bookbinder, can "read" fictional characters to life when an evil ruler named Capricorn, freed from the novel "Inkheart" years earlier, tries to force Mo to release an immortal monster from the story.
Cornelia Funke



The Graveyard Book - Fantasy

The orphan Bod, short for Nobody, is taken in by the inhabitants of a graveyard as a child of eighteen months and raised lovingly and carefully to the age of eighteen years by the community of ghosts and otherworldly creatures.
Neil Gaiman



How to Survive Middle School - Realistic/Humor

Funny middle school survival story for boys and hamsters.
By Donna Gephart



Belly Up - Realistic/ Humor

Twelve-year-old Teddy investigates when a popular Texas zoo's star attraction—Henry the hippopotamus—is murdered.
Stuart Gibbs



A Tale Dark & Grimm - Fantasy

Follow Hansel and Gretel as they walk out of their own story and into eight more tales, encountering manywicked creatures.

Adam Gidwitz



Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library - Fantasy

Twelve-year-old Kyle gets to stay overnight in the new town library, designed by his hero (the famous gamemaker Luigi Lemoncello), with other students but finds that come morning he must work with friends to solve puzzles in order to escape.

Chris Grabenstein

Destiny Discover eBook



Far Away - Realistic/Family

Twelve-year-old CJ believes her mom is dead and that she can only communicate with her through her aunt, who is a medium, but when CJ finds out that her mother is actually alive, she goes on a journey to find her.

Lisa Graff



A Tangle of Knots - Fantasy

In a world where everyone is born with a fantastic Talent, Cady, at the age of eleven, discovers her Talent is for cake baking. When Cady and her family move to a new apartment in the Lost Luggage Emporium of New York City, she meets a host of characters that usher her into an adventure in which she will learn to look beyond her Talent and see real people with real lives, all because of a single powder-blue suitcase.

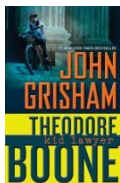
Lisa Graff: MackinVia eBook and audiobook



Refugee - Historical

This powerful novel tells the story of three different children seeking refuge: Josef, a Jewish boy living in 1930s Nazi Germany, Isabel, a Cuban girl in 1994, and Mahmoud, a Syrian boy in 2015.

Alan Gratz: MackinVia audiobook



Theodore Boone: Kid Lawyer Series - Realistic/Mystery

Series starter about teen lawyer teaches Courtroom 101.

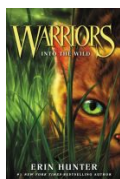
John Grisham



Fish in a Tree - Realistic

Big-hearted book about overcoming dyslexia inspires.

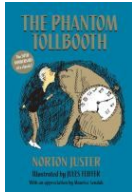
Lynda Mullaly Hunt



Into the Wild - The Prophecies Begin - Warriors Series - Sci-Fi/Fantasy

Rusty, a bored house kitten, is apprenticed by the ThunderClan and must struggle to fit in when the group of feral cats is threatened by ShadowClan, the enemy.

Erin Hunter



The Phantom Tollbooth - Fantasy

Milo finds a cure for his boredom and discovers the importance of words and numbers on a journey through a fantastical land.

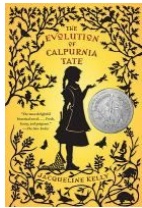
Norton Juster, illustrated by Jules Feiffer



You Go First - Realistic/Friendship

Charlotte, twelve, and Ben, eleven, are highly-skilled competitors at online Scrabble and that connection helps both as they face family issues and the turmoil of middle school.

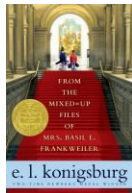
Erin Entrada Kelly



The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate - Historical

Newbery Honor book about a smart Southern tomboy in 1899.

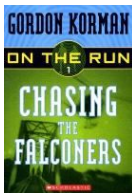
By Jacqueline Kelly



From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler - Realistic/Mystery

Having run away with her younger brother to live in the Metropolitan Museum of Art, twelve-year-old Claudia strives to keep things in order in their new home and to become a changed person and a heroine to herself.

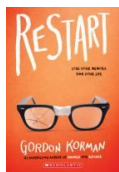
E.L. Konigsburg



Chasing the Falconers - On the Run Series - Action

Aiden and Meg Falconer are their parents' only hope. The Falconers are facing life in prison -- unless Aiden and Meg can follow a trail of clues to prove their innocence. They find themselves on the run, both from the authorities and from a sinister attacker who has his own reason to stop them. The Falconers must use their wits to make it across the country ... with plenty of tests along the way.

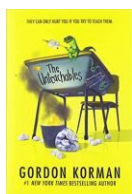
Gordon Korman



Restart - Realistic

Chase does not remember falling off the roof; in fact, he does not remember anything about himself. When he gets back to middle school, he begins to learn who he was through the reactions of the other kids--trouble is, he really is not sure he likes the Chase that is being revealed. Can he take the opportunity amnesia has provided and restart his life?

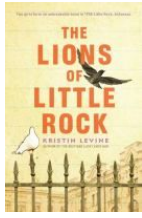
Gordon Korman



The Unteachables - Realistic/Humor

Triumph, life lessons fill hysterical middle school romp.

Gordon Korman



***The Lions of Little Rock* - Historical**

In 1958 Little Rock, Arkansas, painfully shy twelve-year-old Marlee develops a strong friendship with Liz, the new girl in school; but when Liz suddenly stops attending school and Marlee hears a rumor that her friend is actually an African American girl passing herself off as white, the two young girls must decide whether their friendship is worth taking on integration and the dangers it could bring to their families.

Kristin Levin



***The Big Field* - Realistic/Family**

Action-packed, emotional dad-son baseball story.

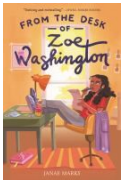
Mike Lupica



***Tight* - Realistic/Family**

After his quick-tempered father gets in a fight and is sent back to jail, sixth-grader Bryan, known for being quiet and thoughtful, snaps and follows new friend Mike into trouble.

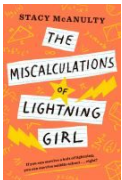
Torrey Maldonado



***From the Desk of Zoe Washington* - Realistic**

Avid baker Zoe Washington receives a letter on her twelfth birthday from her biological father, who is in prison for a terrible crime.

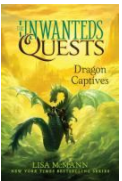
Janae Marks



***The Miscalculations of Lightning Girl* - Realistic/Friendship**

A lightning strike made Lucy, twelve, a math genius but, after years of homeschooling, her grandmother enrolls her in middle school and she learns that life is more than numbers.

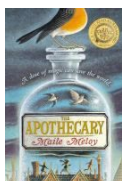
Stacy McAnulty



***Dragon Captives* - Unwanteds Quests Series - Fantasy**

Magical fantasy has peril, battles, positive messages.

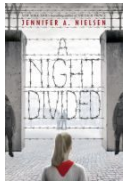
Lisa McMann



***The Apothecary* - Historical Fantasy**

Cold War kids use magic to save the world in this brilliant novel.

Maile Meloy



A Night Divided - Historical/Family

When the Berlin Wall went up, Gerta, her mother, and her brother Fritz were trapped on the eastern side where they were living, while her father, and her other brother Dominic were in the West--four years later, now twelve, Gerta sees her father on a viewing platform on the western side and realizes he wants her to risk her life trying to tunnel to freedom.

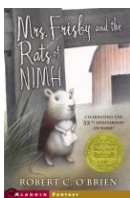
Jennifer A. Nielsen: MackinVia and Destiny Discover eBook



Words on Fire - Historical

In 1893 twelve-year-old Audra lives on a farm in Lithuania, and tries to avoid the Cossack soldiers who enforce the Russian decrees that ban Lithuanian books, religion, culture, and even the language; but when the soldiers invade the farm Audra is the only one who escapes.

Jennifer A. Nielsen



Mrs. Frisby and Rats of NIMH - Fantasy/ Family

Having no one to help her with her problems, a widowed mouse visits the rats whose former imprisonment in a laboratory made them wise and long lived.

Robert C. O'Brien

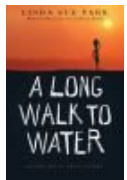


Eragon - The Inheritance Series - Fantasy

A fifteen-year-old boy finds a mysterious stone that weaves his life into an intricate tapestry peopled with dragons, elves, and monsters.

Christopher Paolini

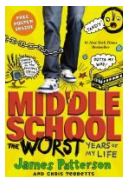
MackinVia eBook



A Long Walk to Water - Realistic

When the Sudanese civil war reaches his village in 1985, eleven-year-old Salva becomes separated from his family and must walk with other Dinka tribe members through southern Sudan, Ethiopia, and Kenya in search of safe haven. Based on the life of Salva Dut, who, after emigrating to America in 1996, began a project to dig water wells in Sudan.

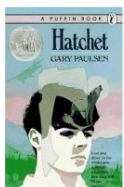
Linda Sue Park: MackinVia eBook



Middle School, the Worst Years of My Life - Realistic/Humor

Irreverent look at school life explores complex feelings.

James Patterson, Chris Tebbetts



Hatchet - Realistic/Survival

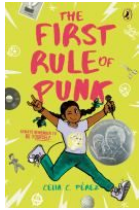
After a plane crash, thirteen-year-old Brian spends fifty-four days in the wilderness, learning to survive with only the aid of a hatchet given him by his mother, and learning also to survive his parents' divorce.

Gary Paulsen



Lawn Boy - Realistic/Humor

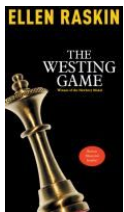
Perfect summer reading for reluctant readers.
Gary Paulsen



The First Rule of Punk - Realistic (Lone Star Winner)

Twelve-year-old María Luisa O'Neill-Morales (who really prefers to be called Malú) reluctantly moves with her Mexican-American mother to Chicago and starts seventh grade with a bang--violating the dress code with her punk rock aesthetic and spurning the middle school's most popular girl in favor of starting a band with a group of like-minded weirdos.

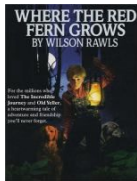
Celia C. Perez



The Westing Game - Mystery

The mysterious death of an eccentric millionaire brings together an unlikely assortment of heirs who must uncover the circumstances of his death before they can claim their inheritance.

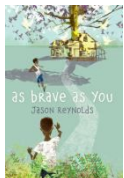
Ellen Raskin



Where the Red Fern Grows - Realistic/Historical

Young Billy Coleman grieves over the loss of his dogs until he learns the old Native American legend of the sacred red fern that grows over their graves.

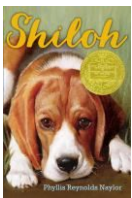
Wilson Rawls



As Brave as You - Realistic

Poignant summer adventure brims with family love and hope.

Jason Reynolds



Shiloh - Realistic/Family

When he finds a lost beagle in the hills behind his West Virginia home, Marty tries to hide it from his family and the dog's real owner, a mean-spirited man known to shoot deer out of season and to mistreat his dogs.

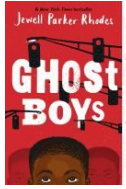
Phyllis Reynolds



The True Meaning of SmekDay

Twelve-year-old Gratuity "Tip" Tucci is left to fend for herself after Earth is colonized by aliens and her mother is abducted, and must try to stop another alien invasion with only the help of a cat named Pig and an alien named J. Lo.

Adam Rex



Ghost Boys - Historical/Fantasy

After seventh-grader Jerome is shot by a white police officer, he observes the aftermath of his death and meets the ghosts of other fallen black boys including historical figure Emmett Till.

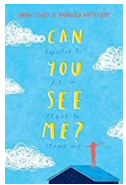
Jewell Parker Rhodes



Fuzzy Mud - Sci-Fi

To avoid a bully, Marshall Walsh and Tamaya Dhilwaddi, a boy and girl who have walked to school and back together since they were little, take a shortcut through the off-limits woods. They soon wish they hadn't, as they stumble upon big trouble. Soon the authorities and even the U.S. Senate are getting involved, and the whole world may be affected.

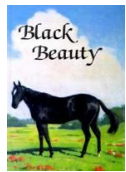
Louis Sachar



Can You See Me? - Realistic

This glimpse into the world of a young autistic girl is astonishingly insightful and honest. Tally's struggles to 'fit in' are heart-wrenching, and her victories are glorious." -- Ann M. Martin, Newbery Honor and *New York Times* bestselling author of *Rain Reign*

Libby Scott and Rebecca Westcott



Black Beauty - Realistic/Historical

A horse in nineteenth-century England recounts his experiences with both good and bad masters.

Anna Sewall



Sign of the Beaver - Historical/Survival

Left alone to guard the family's wilderness home in eighteenth-century Maine, a boy is hard-pressed to survive until local Indians teach him their skills.

Elizabeth George Speare



Maniac Magee - Realistic

After his parents die, Jeffrey Lionel Magee's life becomes legendary, as he accomplishes athletic and other feats which awe his contemporaries.

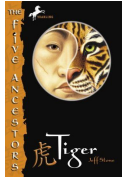
Jerry Spinelli



The Mysterious Benedict Society Series - Mystery

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.

Trenton Lee Stewart, illustrated by Carson Ellis



Tiger: The Five Ancestors Series (Monkey, Snake, Crane, Eagle, Mouse, Dragon) - Historical/Martial Arts Adventure

Five young warrior-monk brothers survive an insurrection and must use the ancient arts to avenge their Grandmaster.

Jeff Stone



Clean Getaway - Realistic/Family

William 'Scoob' Lamar can't seem to stay out of trouble and finds himself grounded at home. So when G'ma, his favorite person on Earth, asks him to go on an impromptu road trip, Scoob jumps in the RV and the duo is off on a trip through the American South. Traveling through civil rights landmarks, Scoob is about to discover the world hasn't always been a welcoming place for kids like him and things aren't always what they seem—G'ma included.

Nic Stone



The Dragonet Prophecy - Wings of Fire Series - Fantasy

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, none of them knows.

Tui T. Sutherland



I Survived the Sinking of the Titanic, 1912: I Survived Series - Historical (17 volumes)

Excited to board the Titanic with his aunt and little sister, ten-year-old George begins to explore the ill-fated ship's first-class storage cabin when the ship is rocked by a collision with an iceberg and begins to sink.

Lauren Tarshis



The Lost Girl

When fifth grade arrives, it is decided that identical twins, Iris and Lark, should be split into different classrooms, and something breaks in them both.

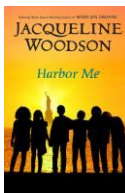
Anne Ursu



H.I.V.E.: Higher Institute of Villainous Education - Realistic/Action

Thirteen-year-old orphan Otto Malpense, identified as a boy with a special talent for villainy, is kidnapped and taken to the remote Higher Institute of Villainous Education, or H.I.V.E.,

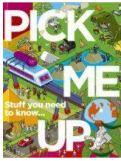
Mark Walden



Harbor Me - Realistic

When six students are chosen to participate in a weekly talk with no adults allowed, they discover that when they're together, it's safe to share the hopes and fears they have to hide from the rest of the world.

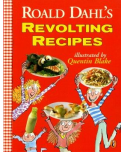
Jacqueline Woodson



Pick Me Up: Stuff You Need to Know...

A reference book for modern kids and teens that presents fun information about history, science, nature, geography, and culture.

Jermey Leslie and David Roberts



Roald Dahl's Revolting Recipes

A practical guide to making such treats as: Willy Wonka's nutty crunch, George's marvelous medicine chicken soup, hair toffee to make hair grow on bald men, hot ice cream for cold days, candy-coated pencils for sucking in class that were featured in several of Roald Dahl's stories.

Roald Dahl