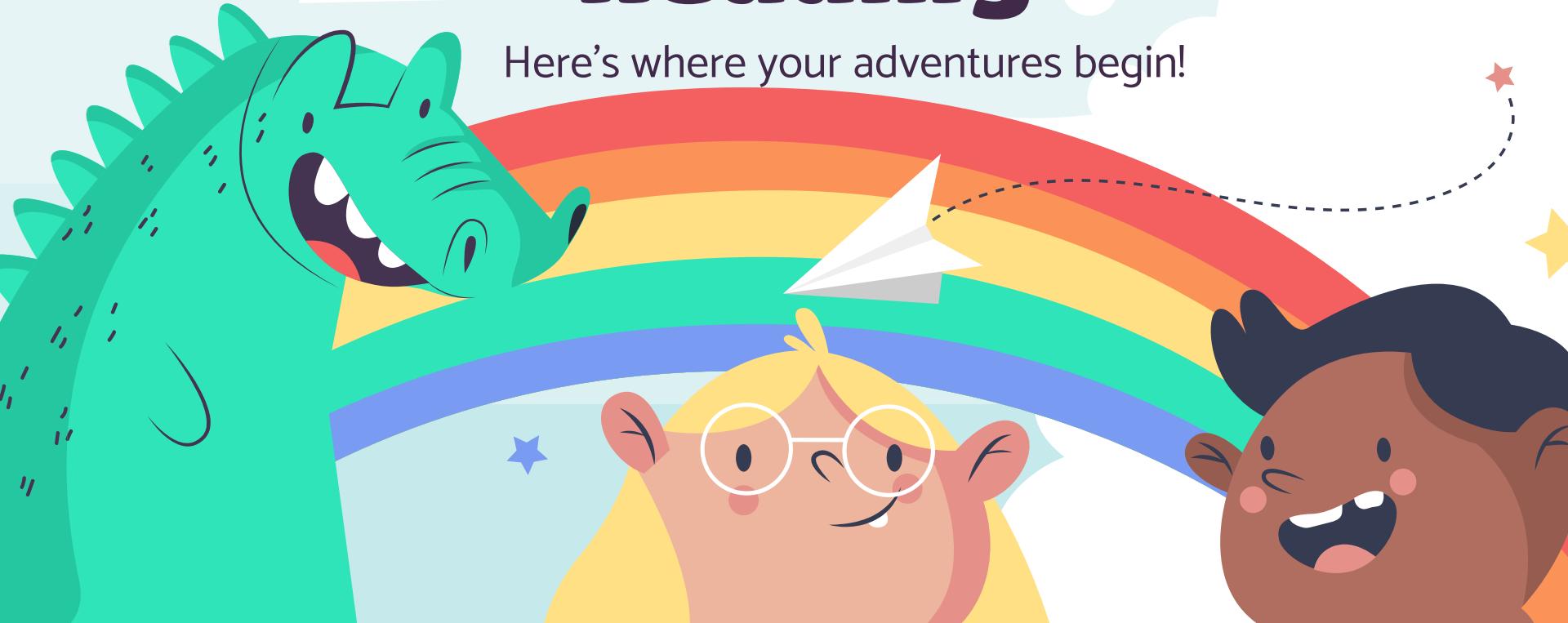


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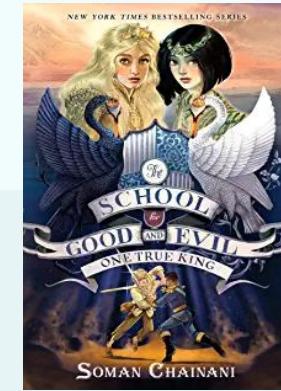
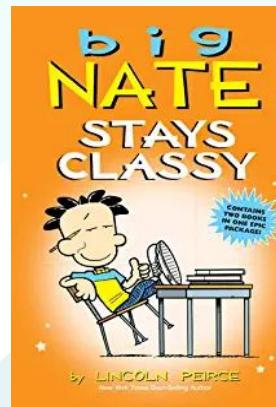
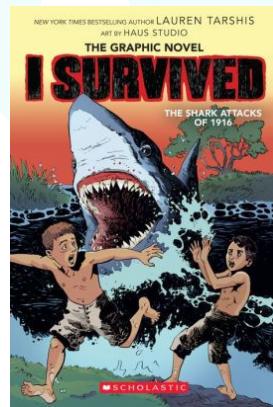
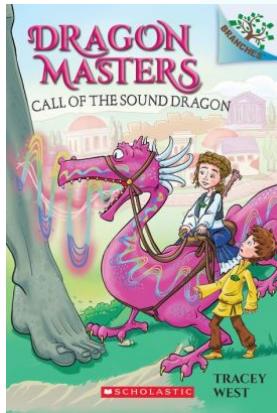


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GREAT SUMMER READS...



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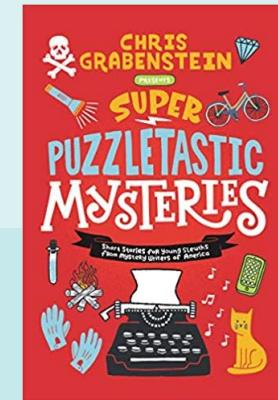
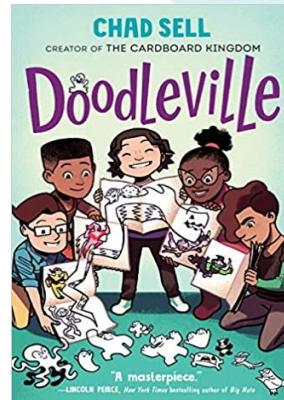
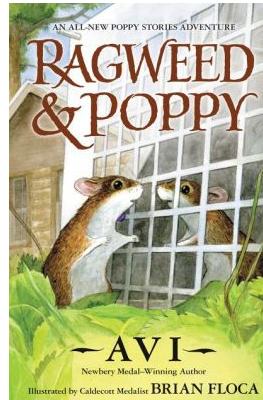
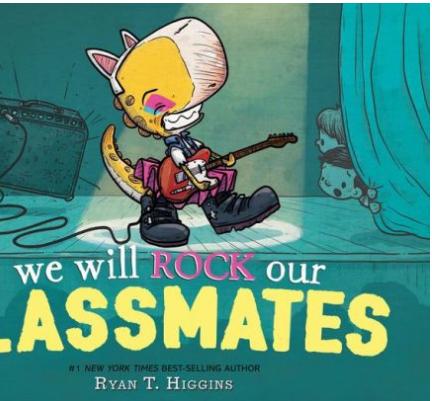
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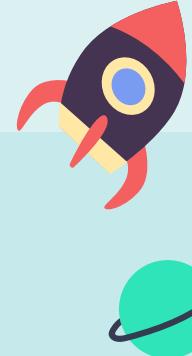


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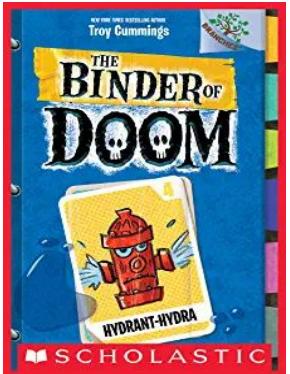
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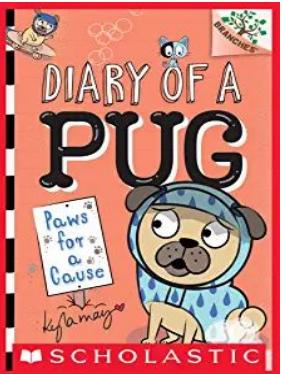
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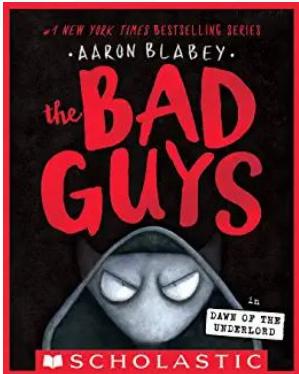
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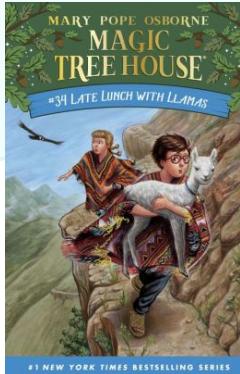
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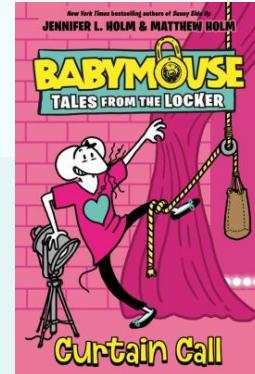
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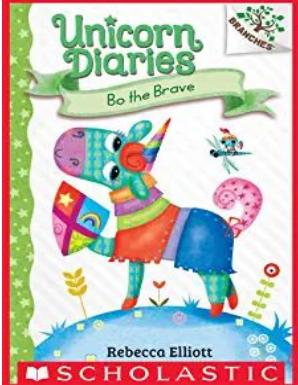
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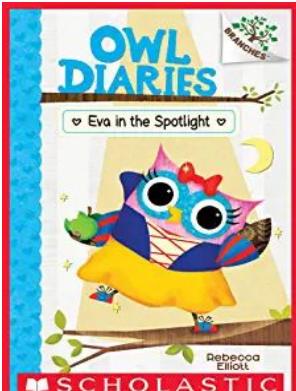
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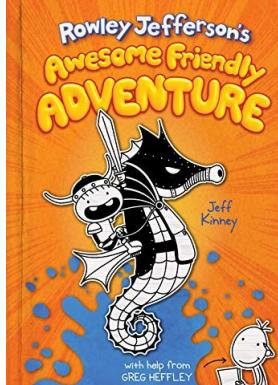
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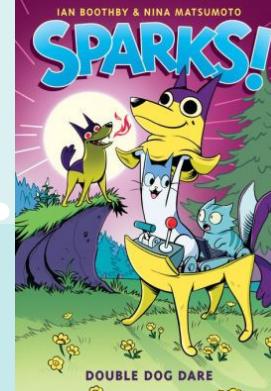
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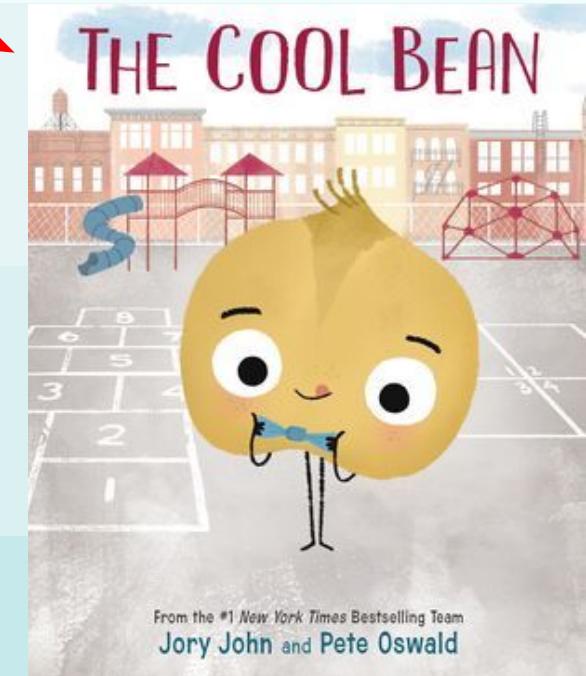
The Bad Seed, and The Good Egg written by Jory John...check out this!

The Cool Bean!

Everyone knows the cool beans. They're *sooooo* cool.

And then there's the uncool *has-bean* . . .

Always on the sidelines, one bean unsuccessfully tries everything he can to fit in with the crowd—until one day the cool beans show him how it's done. -HarperCollins 2019



Mrs. Maly, LMC Director
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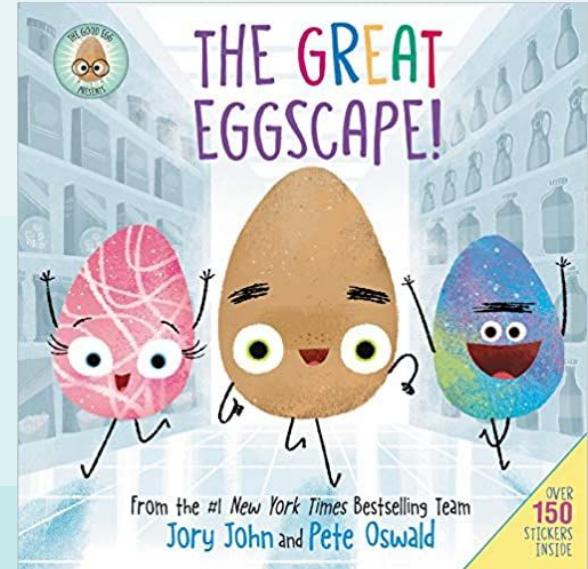
If you liked the books:

The Bad Seed, and The Good Egg, and The Cool Bean written by Jory John...check out

The Great EGGScape!

Shel (an egg) isn't a huge fan of group activities, especially when he's made to be "It" for a game of hide-and-seek.

Nevertheless, Shel doesn't want to let his friends down, so he reluctantly plays, anyway. But after a morning of hiding and seeking, somebody's still missing. *Summary from Amazon



Will the dozen eggs friends ever be reunited?



That's Life!

Written by Ame Dyckman and Illustrated by Cori Doerrfeld

All Grades!

After Life literally knocks on their door, one kid discovers that Life is truly what you make it. It's weird and may not always cooperate, but Life's beauty becomes apparent when it's embraced for all of its quirks. This story is filled with tongue-in-cheek idioms that will appeal to readers of all ages and will impart deeper wisdoms about the many milestones and stages of life.



The Box Turtle

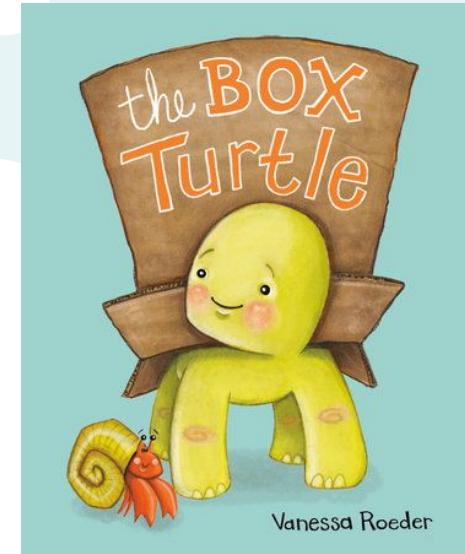
Written by Vanessa Roeder

All Grades!

An irresistibly cute story about finding the confidence to be yourself, starring a turtle in search of the perfect shell.

Terrance the turtle was born without a shell, so he uses a cardboard box instead. Terrence loves his box. It keeps him dry on soggy days, safe from snooping strangers, and is big enough to cozy up with a friend. But when another turtle points out that Terrance's shell is, well, weird, he begins to wonder whether there might be a better shell out there...

Eventually, and through much trial and error, Terrance learns that there's nothing wrong with being different—especially when it comes to being yourself.



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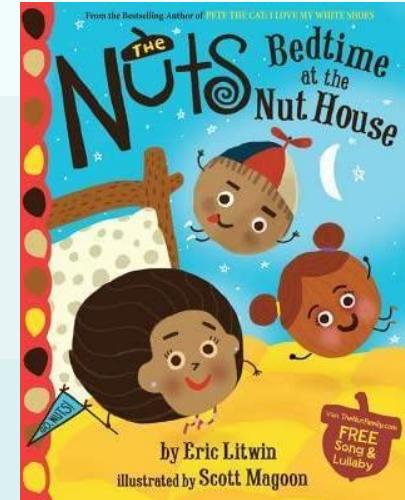
The Nuts: Bedtime at the Nuthouse

By Eric Litwin
Grades K-2

Booklist (March 1, 2015 (Online))

Preschool-Grade 2. They chant out their chorus: "We're Nuts! We're Nuts! We're Nuts!" So hyper are Hazel and Wally Nut that Mama Nut has to tell them three times, in an increasingly BIG voice, that "all little Nuts need to go up to bed." Missing nary a chance for a pun or sight gag, Magoon casts the little round rollers as their own bowling balls, bouncing off a "trampraline" and dressing as "astroNuts," before, at last, dragging themselves to bed ("Aww, nuts!") and sharing a final loving chorus with Mama Nut. The rhythm of the exchange is easy enough to catch, but for musically impaired readers, Litwin (Pete the Cat series) offers a musical version sung by a children's choir, plus an original lullaby and an adaptation of the chestnut "If You're Happy and You Know It," online for free streaming or download. All in all, a tasty morsel, and most bed-bound children won't be allergic to repeat renditions.

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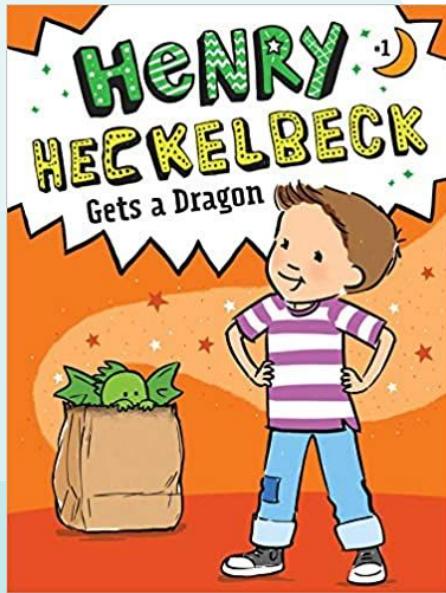


Songs and More: <https://www.hachettebookgroup.com/landing-page/the-nut-family/>

Henry Heckelbeck Gets a Dragon

Written by Wanda Coven

First in the series!



Grades K-2 Early Chapter Book

Henry Heckelbeck is just like any other normal kid. He plays soccer. He isn't a huge fan of homework. He even has an older sister, Heidi.

What's not so normal about Henry is his family. His sister and mom are magic.

Not Henry, though...he's just a normal kid. Or is he?

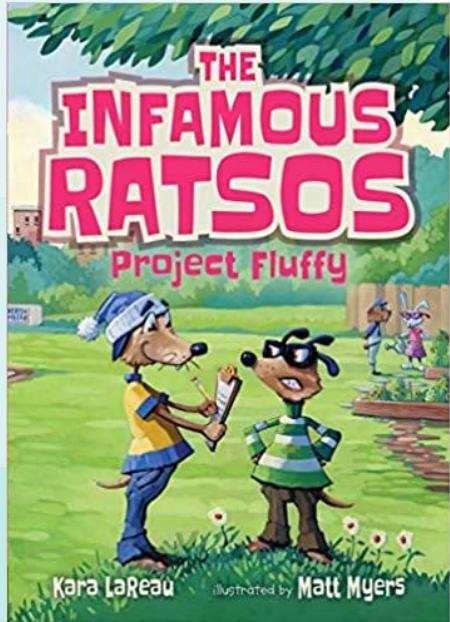
Henry Heckelbeck is starting a new year of school. He has a new teacher, makes new friends, and discovers that he has some magical powers of his own thanks to a *Book of Spells* he finds in his bedroom. But magic can be tricky and when Henry accidentally brings his toy dragon to life, his days of being a normal kid are over.

The Infamous Ratsos

Project Fluffy

Written by Kara LaReau

Grades K-2 Early Chapter Book



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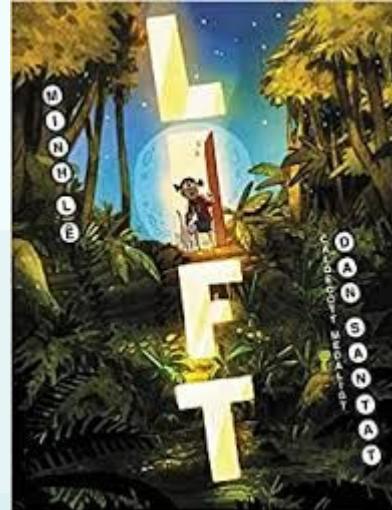
Chuck Wood is the most popular kid in school, and Louie Ratso can't believe that Chuck has asked him for help! Chuck likes Louie's friend Fluffy Rabbitski, and he wants Louie to help him get Fluffy to notice him. As for Ralphie Ratso, he can't believe that his brother wants to spend all his time with Chuck instead of with him. Meanwhile, despite Louie and Chuck's attempts to get Fluffy's attention, she has eyes for only one thing: her garden. But there may be hope. As their father, Big Lou, tells his boys, the best way to get someone to like you is to show that you're interested in what *they* like. After all, that's how Big Lou won over Mama Ratso years ago. Can Louie help Chuck find a way into Fluffy's heart? And will Ralphie find a way to let his brother know how much he misses him?

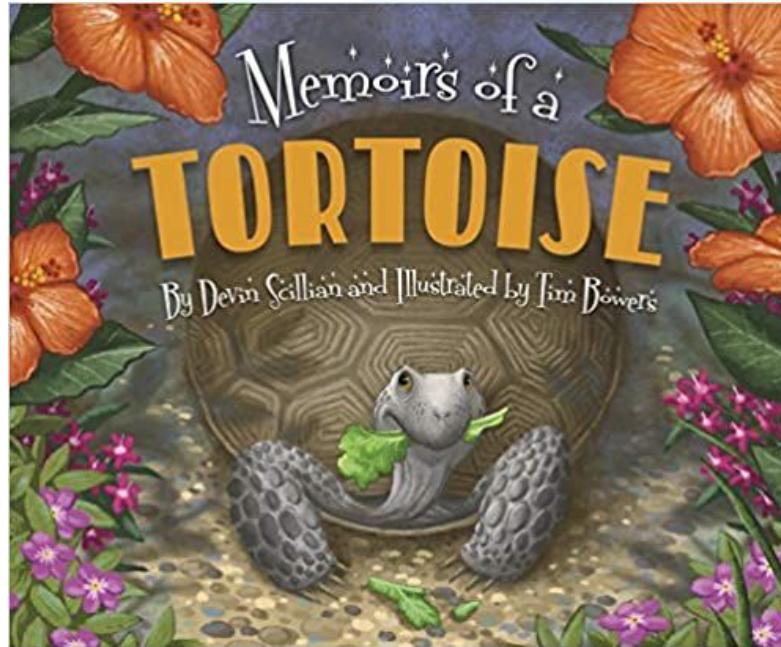
LIFT by Minh Lê and Dan Santat

If you loved Aaron Becker's Journey series this is a book for you!

"Iris loves to push the elevator buttons in her apartment building, but when it's time to share the fun with a new member of the family, she's pretty put out. That is, until the sudden appearance of a mysterious new button opens up entire realms of possibility, places where she can escape and explore on her own. But when she's forced to choose between going at it alone or letting her little brother tag along, Iris finds that sharing a discovery with the people you love can be the most wonderful experience of all."

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By: Devin Scillian

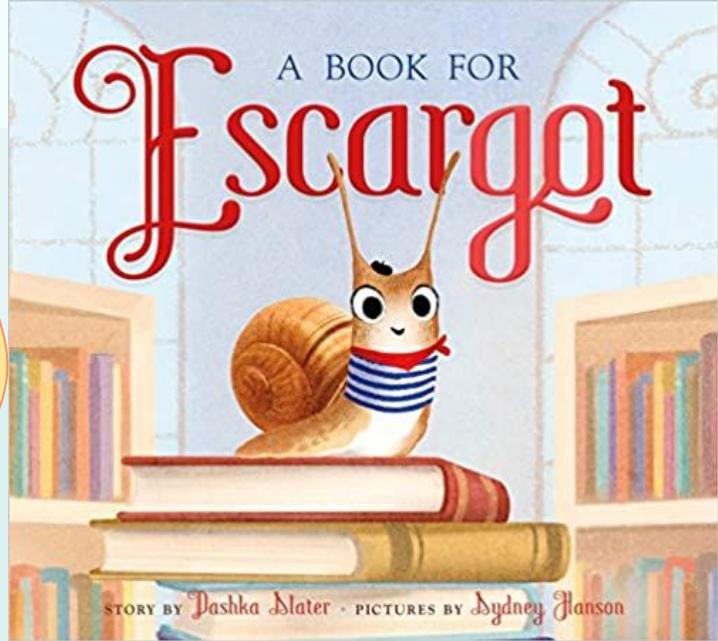
**Summary from Amazon*



Bonjour!

It is moi, Escargot, your favorite French snail.
Today I am going on a trip to the library, where
there are so many stories to choose from!
Stories about dog superheroes...
guinea pig detectives....
and flamingo astronauts.

But sadly, none of these books is about a
daring snail hero who saves the day. What
is that you say? Perhaps this is the book
about the snail hero? Ooh-la-la!



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the book trailer!

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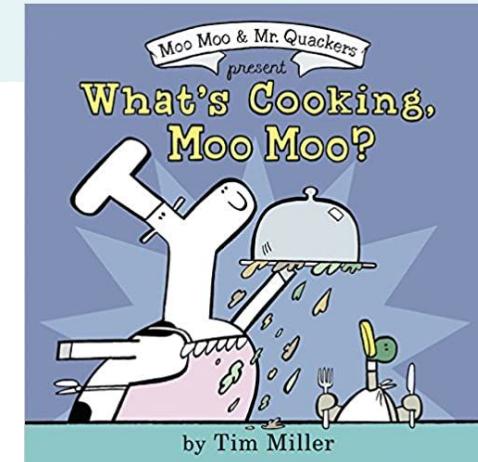
What's Cooking Moo Moo?

Written by Tim Miller

All Grades!

Moo Moo serves up another half-baked scheme—and loyal Mr. Quackers goes along for the ride—in this madcap follow-up to *Moo Moo in a Tutu*.

Yes, for real! The hilarious cow-and-duck duo are opening their own five-star restaurant. You'll want to see what *udderly* ridiculous antics they get up to in their new adventure.

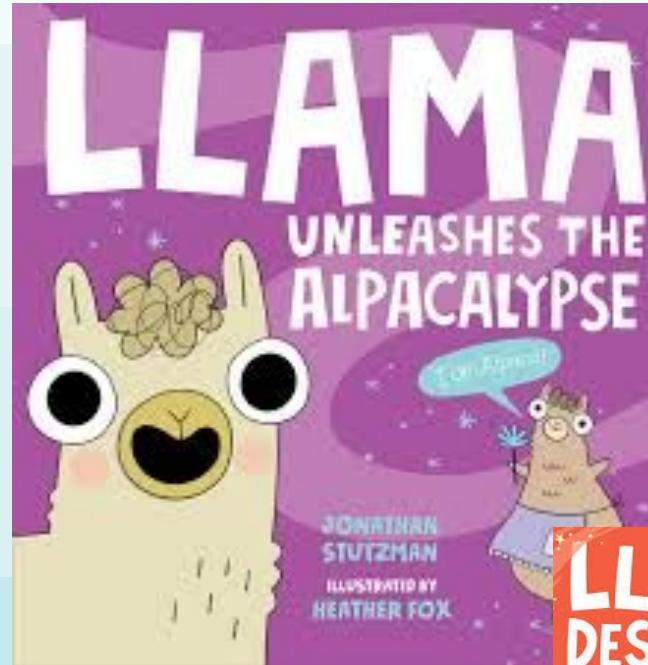


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Llama Unleashes the Alpacalypse

Written by Jonathan Stutzman and Illustrated by Heather Fox

When we last left Llama he had almost destroyed the world by eating too much cake. In his next adventure, Llama is in trouble again! Llama loves eating a large balanced breakfast, but this always leads to a large mess. Llama does not like cleaning messes so he invites his friend Alpaca over. Alpaca loves cleaning. In fact, he's so good at cleaning that Llama begins to think that maybe have 2, 3, 4, 1000 Alpacas around to clean would be a good idea! Think this is a good idea? Find out by reading *Llama Unleashes the Alpacalypse*.



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Wayside School: Beneath the Cloud of Doom

By: Louis Sachar (All Grades)

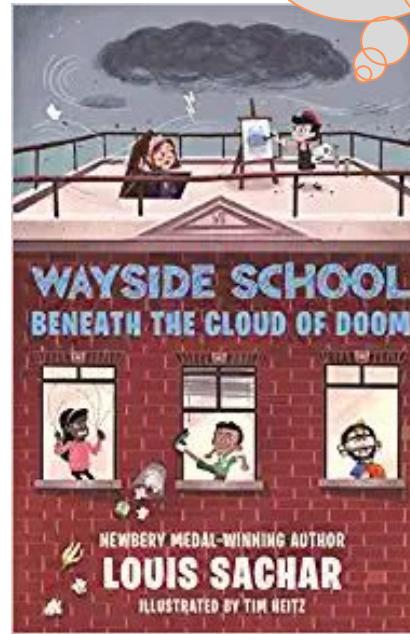


Welcome back to Wayside School!

- Your favorite students and teachers are all here.
- That includes Sharie, who loves her striped-and-spotted umbrella more than anything;
- Kathy, who has a bad case of oppositosis; Jason,
- who has to read the longest book in the world;
- and the rest of Mrs. Jewls's class on the 30th floor,
- who are busily collecting toenail clippings.
- Everyone is scrambling to prepare for the all-important Ultimate Test, but meanwhile, there is a mysterious Cloud of Doom looming above them...

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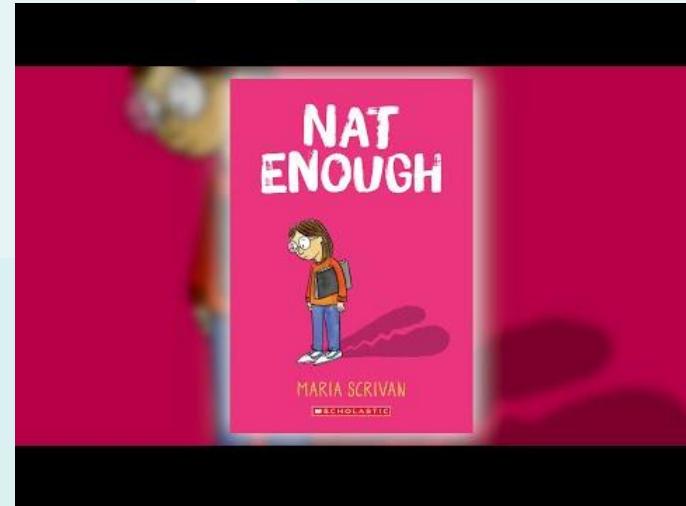


Nat Enough

Written by Maria Scrivan

Grades 3–6!

"Natalie has never felt that she's enough--athletic enough, stylish enough, or talented enough. And on the first day of middle school, Natalie discovers that things are worse than she thought--now she's not even cool enough for her best friend, Lily! As Natalie tries to get her best friend back, she learns more about her true self and natural talents. If Natalie can focus on who she is rather than who she isn't, then she might realize she's more than enough, just the way she is"--Amazon.com.



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YouTube.

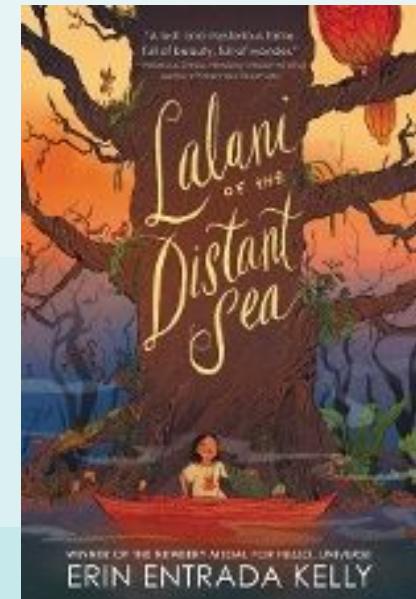
Lalani of the Distant Sea

By Erin Entrada Kelly



Grades 3-5

Life is difficult on the island of Sanlagita. To the west looms a vengeful mountain, one that threatens to collapse and bury the village. Lalani lives on Sanlagita, a fantastical island under the control of an all-powerful menyoro. After finding a foreign creature living on the island's sacred mountain, Lalani sets in motion a challenge to the menyoro's authority, beginning with her departure from home. 388 pages.



The One and Only Bob by Katherine Applegate

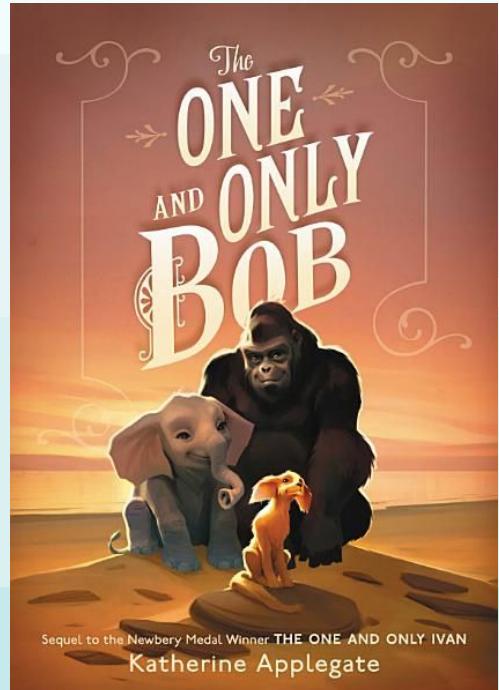
You probably already know the story of *The One and Only Ivan*, now's your chance to learn about his buddy Bob.

"Bob sets out on a dangerous journey in search of his long-lost sister with the help of his two best friends, Ivan and Ruby. As a hurricane approaches and time is running out, Bob finds courage he never knew he had and learns the true meaning of friendship and family."

If you loved Ivan, you will love this story. Be prepared for some humor, some suspense, some adventure and be sure to have a few tissues nearby.

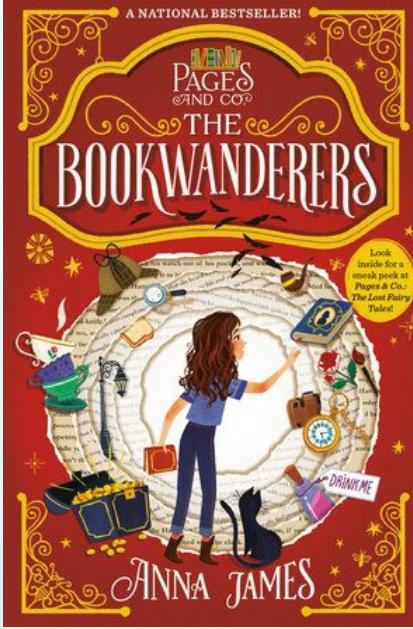
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Sequel to the Newbery Medal Winner THE ONE AND ONLY IVAN
Katherine Applegate

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The Bookwanderers

Pages and Co. Series

By Anna James

Ages 8-12



Click the Monkey to Hear the Author Read Part of the Book

Since her mother's disappearance, eleven-year-old Tilly Pages has found comfort in the stories at Pages & Co., her grandparents' bookshop. But when her favorite characters, Anne of Green Gables and Alice from Wonderland, start showing up at the shop, Tilly's adventures become very real. Not only can she follow Anne and Alice into their books, she discovers she can bookwander into any story she chooses. Tilly's new ability leads her to fun and exciting adventures, but danger may be lurking on the very next page.

When new secrets are uncovered, it's up to Tilly to solve the mystery of what happened to her mother all those years ago. From debut author Anna James comes a charming and exciting adventure about a bookish young heroine, a mysterious librarian, and a magical bookshop that will delight book lovers everywhere.

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Michelle Loughran-Fry Elementary

Stand Up, Yumi Chung!

Grades 3 and up

ABOUT STAND UP, YUMI CHUNG!

One lie snowballs into a full-blown double life in this irresistible story about an aspiring stand-up comedian.

On the outside, Yumi Chung suffers from #shygirldproblems, a perm-gone-wrong, and kids calling her “Yu-MEAT” because she smells like her family’s Korean barbecue restaurant. On the inside, Yumi is ready for her Netflix stand-up special. Her notebook is filled with mortifying memories that she’s reworked into comedy gold. All she needs is a stage and courage.

Instead of spending the summer studying her favorite YouTube comedians, Yumi is enrolled in test-prep tutoring to qualify for a private school scholarship, which will help in a time of hardship at the restaurant. One day after class, Yumi stumbles on an opportunity that will change her life: a comedy camp for kids taught by one of her favorite YouTube stars. The only problem is that the instructor and all the students think she’s a girl named Kay Nakamura—and Yumi doesn’t correct them.

As this case of mistaken identity unravels, Yumi must decide to stand up and reveal the truth or risk losing her dreams and disappointing everyone she cares about.



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A Wish in the Dark

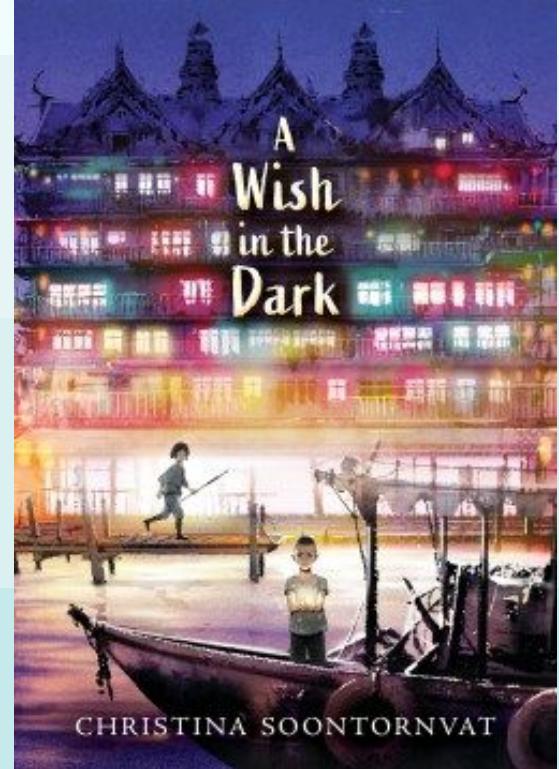
By: Christina Soontornvat

Grades 3-5

"All light in Chattana is created by one man--the Governor, who appeared after the Great Fire to bring peace and order to the city. For Pong, who was born in Namwon Prison, the magical lights represent freedom, and he dreams of the day he will be able to walk among them. But when Pong escapes from prison, he realizes that the world outside is no fairer than the one behind bars. The wealthy dine and dance under bright orb light, while the poor toil away in darkness.

Worst of all, Pong's prison tattoo marks him as a fugitive who can never be truly free. Nok, the prison warden's perfect daughter, is bent on tracking Pong down and restoring her family's good name. But as

Nok hunts Pong through the alleys and canals of Chattana, she uncovers secrets that make her question the truths she has always held dear" Candlewick Press 2020



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Kaela Noel read the first
chapter of the book!**



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Coo

By: Kaela Noel

Grades 3–5

In this exceptional debut, one young girl's determination to save the flock she calls family creates a lasting impact on her community and in her heart. Gorgeous and literary, this is an unforgettable animal story about friendship, family, home, and belonging. For readers who love books by Kate DiCamillo and Katherine Applegate.

Ten years ago, an impossible thing happened: a flock of pigeons picked up a human baby who had been abandoned in an empty lot and carried her, bundled in blankets, to their roof. Coo has lived her entire life on the rooftop with the pigeons who saved her. It's the only home she's ever known. But then a hungry hawk nearly kills Burr, the pigeon she loves most, and leaves him gravely hurt.

Coo must make a perilous trip to the ground for the first time to find Tully, a retired postal worker who occasionally feeds Coo's flock, and who can heal injured birds. Tully mends Burr's broken wing and coaxes Coo from her isolated life. Living with Tully, Coo experiences warmth, safety, and human relationships for the first time. But just as Coo is beginning to blossom, she learns the human world is infinitely more complex—and cruel—than she could have imagined.

This remarkable debut novel will captivate readers from the very first line. Coo examines the bonds that make us family, the possibilities of love, and the importance of being true to yourself. Fans of Katherine Applegate, Kate DiCamillo, and Barbara O'Connor will devour this extraordinary story.

Features black-and-white spot art throughout.

The Bridge Home

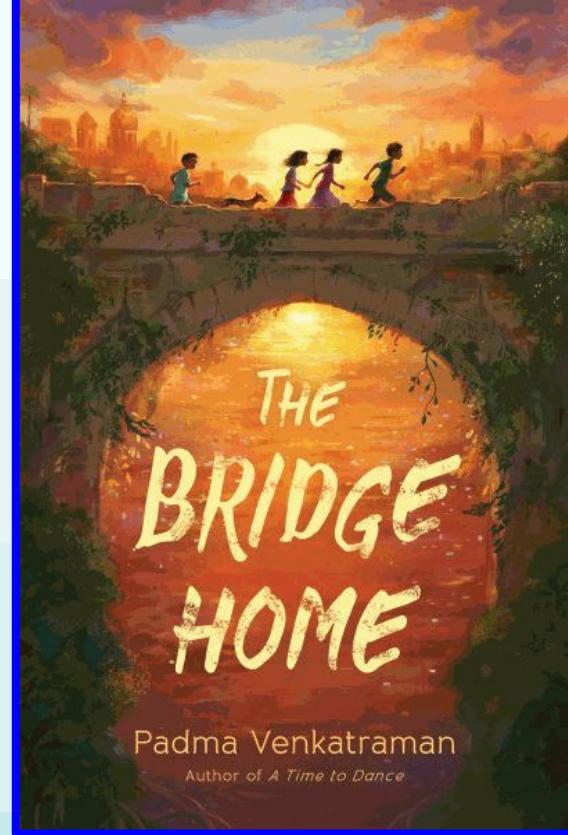
Written by
Padma Venkatraman

Good for 5th and up

This story takes place in India.

When two sisters run away they meet up with two homeless children in India. The brave characters learn to trust each other and rely on one another to survive in the harsh slums of Chennai.

It is a tough story of love, friendship and survival.



Common Sense Media

Information for parents about this book.

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The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise

By: Dan Gemeinhart

Grades 5 and up

Five years.

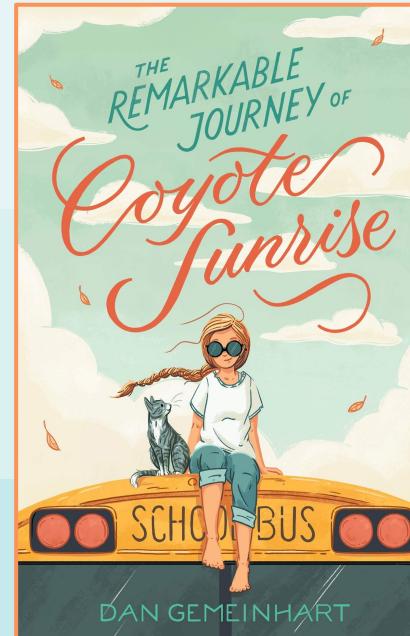
That's how long Coyote and her dad, Rodeo, have lived on the road in an old school bus, criss-crossing the nation.

It's also how long ago Coyote lost her mom and two sisters in a car crash.

Coyote hasn't been home in all that time, but when she learns that the park in her old neighborhood is being demolished—the very same park where she, her mom, and her sisters buried a treasured memory box—she devises an elaborate plan to get her dad to drive 3,600 miles back to Washington state in four days...without him realizing it.

Along the way, they'll pick up a strange crew of misfit travelers. Lester has a lady love to meet. Salvador and his mom are looking to start over. Val needs a safe place to be herself. And then there's Gladys...

Over the course of thousands of miles, Coyote will learn that going home can sometimes be the hardest journey of all...but that with friends by her side, she just might be able to turn her "once upon a time" into a "happily ever after."



Watch the book trailer from YouTube.

Stella Diaz Never Gives up

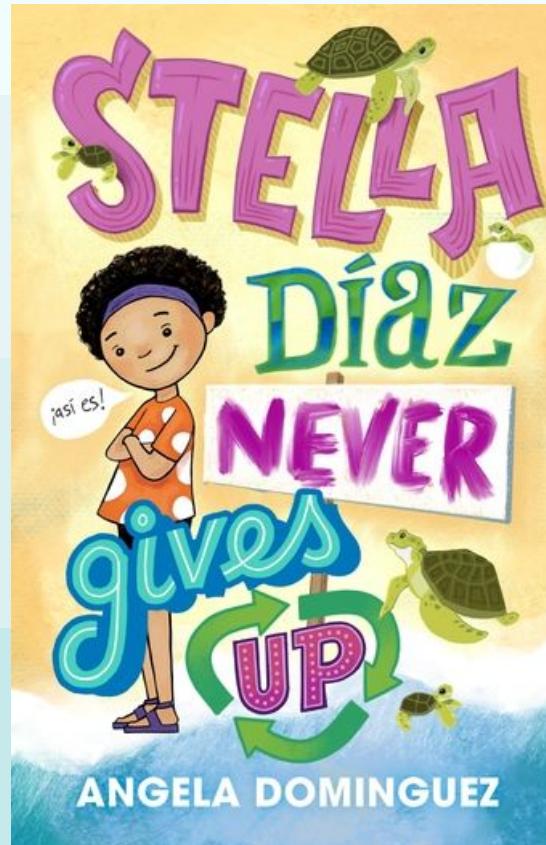
by Angela Dominguez

Grades 3-5

Stella Diaz Never Gives Up is a story about a shy Mexican-American girl who becomes an environmental activist and makes a difference in her community.

Stella gets a big surprise when her mom plans a trip to visit their family in Mexico! Stella loves marine animals, and she can't wait to see the ocean for the first time . . . until she arrives and learns that the sea and its life forms are in danger due to pollution.

Stella wants to save the ocean, but she knows she can't do it alone. It's going to take a lot of work and help from old and new friends to make a difference, but Stella Diaz never gives up!



A Home for Goddesses and Dogs

Written by Leslie Connor

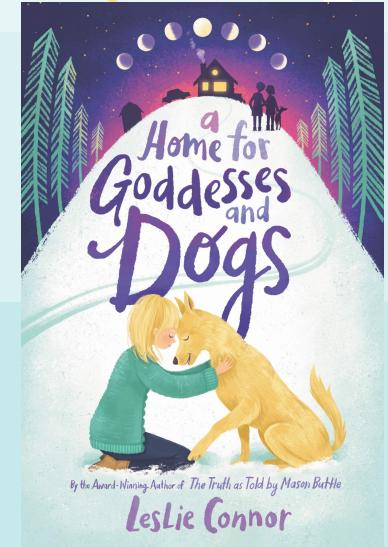
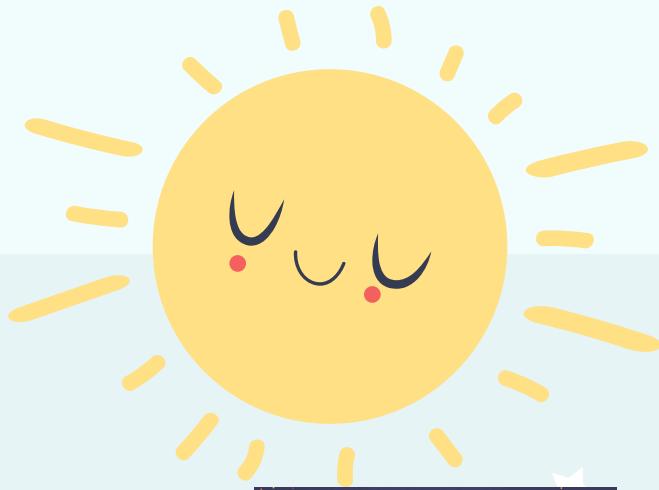
Grades 5-8

This novel is about loss and love and finding joy in new friendships and a loving family, along with the world's best bad dog. It's a life-altering New Year for thirteen-year-old Lydia when she uproots to a Connecticut farm to live with her aunt following her mother's death. Aunt Brat and her jovial wife, Eileen, and their ancient live-in landlord, Elloroy, are welcoming—and a little quirky. Lydia's struggle for a sense of belonging in her new family is highlighted when the women adopt a big yellow dog just days after the girl's arrival.

Wasn't one rescue enough? Lydia is not a dog person—and this one is trouble! He is mistrustful and slinky. He pees in the house, escapes into the woods, and barks at things unseen. His new owners begin to guess about his unknown past. Meanwhile, Lydia doesn't want to be difficult—and she does not mean to keep secrets—but there are things she's not telling... Like why the box of "paper stuff" she keeps under her bed is so important... And why that hole in the wall behind a poster in her room is getting bigger...

And why something she took from the big yellow dog just might be the key to unraveling his mysterious past—but at what cost? - Harper Collins Feb, 2020

-Mrs. Maly LMC Director, Patterson Elementary



Mañanaland by Pam Muñoz Ryan

Grades 3-5

Maximiliano Córdoba loves stories, especially the legend Buelo tells him about a mythical gatekeeper who can guide brave travelers on a journey into tomorrow.

If Max could see tomorrow, he would know if he'd make Santa María's celebrated fútbol team and whether he'd ever meet his mother, who disappeared when he was a baby. He longs to know more about her, but Papá won't talk. So when Max uncovers a buried family secret--involving an underground network of guardians who lead people fleeing a neighboring country to safety--he decides to seek answers on his own.

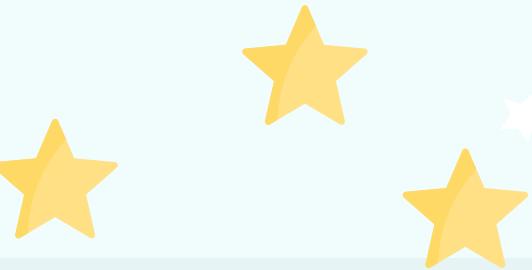
With a treasured compass, a mysterious stone rubbing, and Buelo's legend as his only guides, he sets out on a perilous quest to discover if he is true of heart and what the future holds.



Ungifted

By Gordon Korman

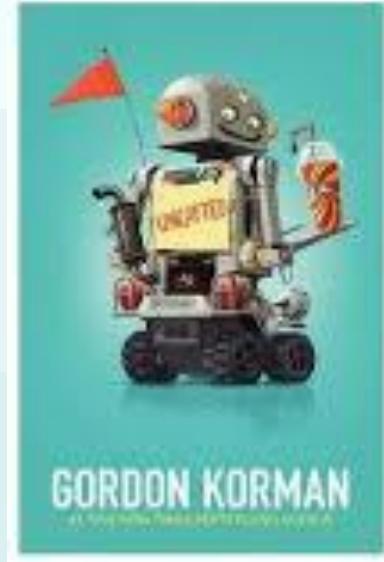
Grades 4-5



Booklist (July 2012 (Vol. 108, No. 21))

Korman's novel follows the strange journey of Donovan Curtis, a prankster whose latest escapade does unintended but colossal damage to the Hardcastle Middle School gym and lands him in the beleaguered school superintendent's office. There he is miraculously misassigned to the district's gifted school, where this average student is determined to stay, hiding out from the administration and the retribution he fears. Meanwhile, Donovan makes a place for himself on the school's robotics team and begins to see his gifted classmates in a new light. Similar to the approach used in *Schooled* (2007), here Korman tells the story vividly through a rotating series of first-person narrators, including Donovan, his classmates, his teachers, his sister, and the superintendent. The narrator's name and IQ appears below each chapter's title. While some stereotypes are upended and there are plenty of issues to ponder along the way, many readers will simply enjoy following Donovan's story as it unfolds. From its lovable-robot jacket art to its satisfying conclusion, this will please Korman's fans and win him new ones.

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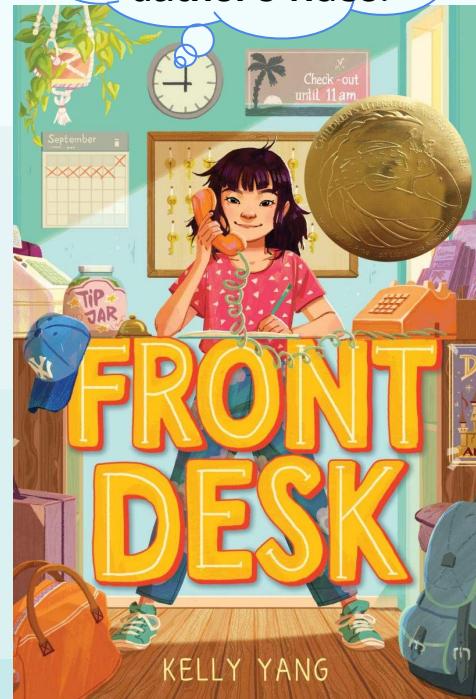
Front Desk

By Kelly Yang

Mia Tang has a lot of secrets. Number 1: She lives in a motel, not a big house. Every day, while her immigrant parents clean the rooms, ten-year-old Mia manages the front desk of the Calivista Motel and tends to its guests. Number 2: Her parents hide immigrants. And if the mean motel owner, Mr. Yao, finds out they've been letting them stay in the empty rooms for free, the Tangs will be doomed. Number 3: She wants to be a writer. But how can she when her mom thinks she should stick to math because English is not her first language? It will take all of Mia's courage, kindness, and hard work to get through this year. Will she be able to hold on to her job, help the immigrants and guests, escape Mr. Yao, and go for her dreams?

Summary From the Publisher

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Sal & Gabi Fix the Universe

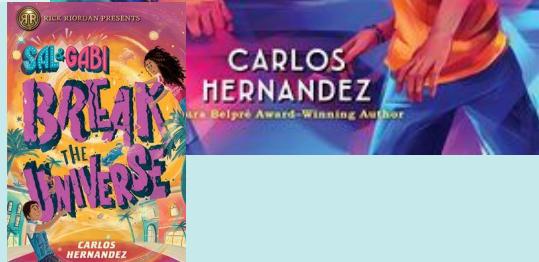
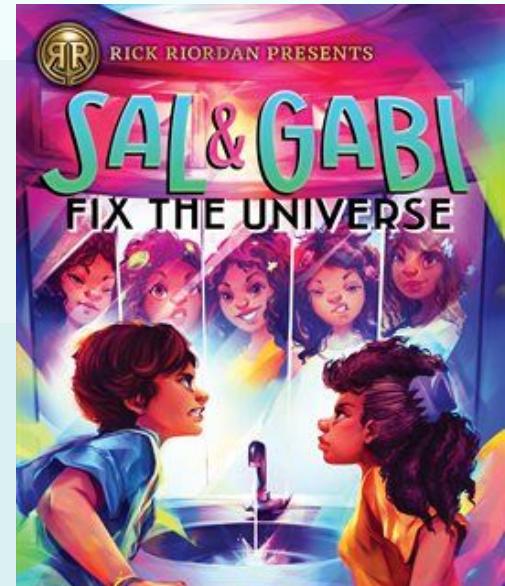
By Carlos Hernandez

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Best-selling author Rick Riordan presents the sequel to the critically acclaimed Sal and Gabi Break the Universe, a brilliant sci-fi romp with Cuban influence. Among many other challenges, Sal and Gabi have to try to make everything right with our world when there is a rogue Gabi from another universe running loose.

Sal Vidon doesn't want to live a Mami-free life. Pulling different versions of his mother from other universes is how he copes with missing his own, who died years ago. But Sal's father, a calamity physicist, is trying to shut down all the wormholes Sal creates, because Papi thinks they are eroding the very fabric of our world. All of Papi's efforts are in vain, however, because a Gabi from another universe has gone rogue and is popping up all over the place, seeking revenge for the fact that her world has been destroyed. While Sal and Gabi work together to keep both Papi and Rogue Gabi under control, they also have to solve the mystery of Yasmany, who has gone missing from school. Could it have something to do with the wormhole in the back of his locker? *Summary*

From Hoopla



The Unteachables

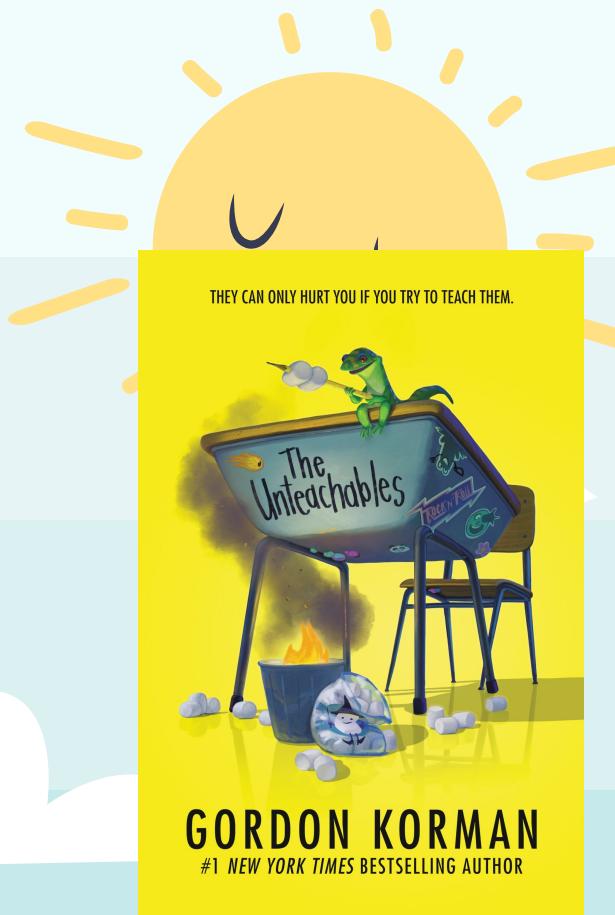
Written by Gordan Korman

Grades 4–6

The Unteachables are a notorious class of misfits, delinquents, and academic train wrecks. Like Aldo, with anger management issues; Parker, who can't read; Kiana, who doesn't even belong in the class—or any class; and Elaine (rhymes with pain). The Unteachables have been removed from the student body and isolated in room 117.

Their teacher is Mr. Zachary Kermit, the most burned-out teacher in all of Greenwich. He was once a rising star, but his career was shattered by a cheating scandal that still haunts him. After years of phoning it in, he is finally one year away from early retirement. But the superintendent has his own plans to torpedo that idea—and it involves assigning Mr. Kermit to the Unteachables.

The Unteachables never thought they'd find a teacher who had a worse attitude than they did. And Mr. Kermit never thought he would actually care about teaching again. Over the course of a school year, though, room 117 will experience mayhem, destruction—and maybe even a shot at redemption. (Summary from HarperCollins Kids)



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