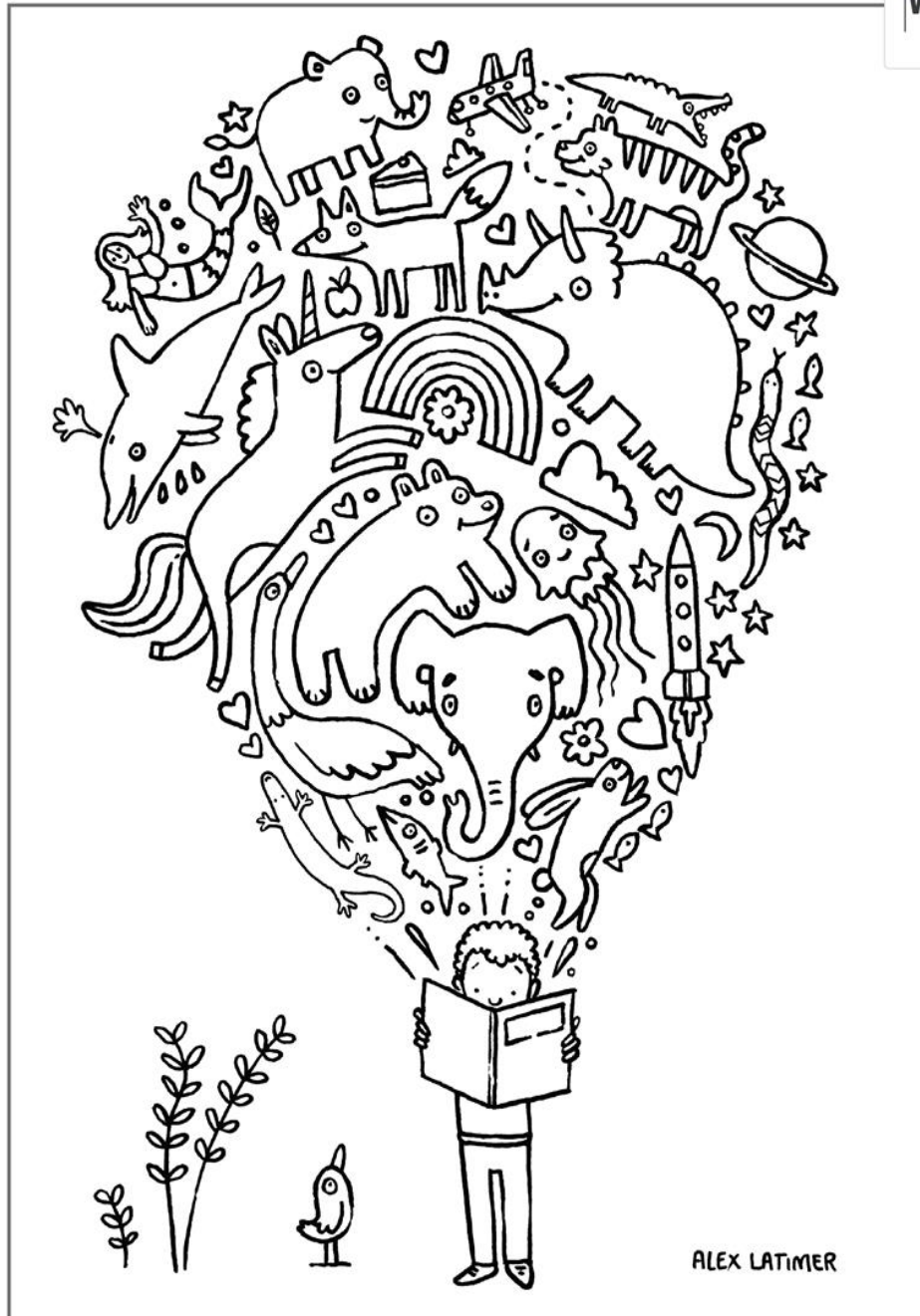


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Fiction

- Appelt, Kathi. True Blue Scouts of Sugar Man Swamp. BL 5.4; RL T (RPL call # JUV FIC APPELT)
When rogue feral hogs and a greedy developer threaten to wipe out Sugar Man Swamp, two raccoons know it's time to rouse the legendary Sugar Man, who has reigned over Sugar Man Swamp for a "gazillion yesterdays."
- Applegate, Katherine. Wishtree. BL 4.2; RL T (RPL call # JUV APPLGATE)
Red is an oak tree who is many rings old. Red is the neighborhood "wishtree." People write their wishes on pieces of cloth and tie them to Red's branches. Along with her friend, a crow named Bongo, this "wishtree" watches over the neighborhood.
- Applegate, Katherine. The One and Only Ivan. BL 3.6; RL S (RPL call # JUV FIC APPLGATE)
When Ivan, a gorilla who has lived for years in a down-and-out circus-themed mall, meets Ruby, a baby elephant who has been added to the mall, he decides that he must find her a better life.
- Avi. Poppy. BL 4.5; RL S (RPL call # JUV FIC AVI)
A brave young mouse challenges the owl that rules over the territory and saves her family from starvation.
- Banks, Lynne Reid. The Indian in the Cupboard. BL 4.5; RL R (RPL call # JUV FIC BANKS)
A young boy discovers that his magic cupboard and key can turn toys into live people and animals.
- Barrows, Annie. Ivy + Bean. [series]
Ivy + Bean. Book 1 - BL 3.9; RL M-O (RPL call # JUV FIC BARROWS Bk #1)
When seven-year-old Bean plays a mean trick on her sister, she finds unexpected support for her antics from Ivy, the new neighbor, who is less boring than Bean first suspected.
- Bauer, Joan. Soar. BL 3.6; RL T (RPL call # JUV FIC BAUER)
Jeremiah is the world's biggest baseball fan. He really loves baseball and he knows just about everything there is to know about his favorite sport. So when he's told he can't play baseball following an operation on his heart, Jeremiah decides he'll do the next best thing and become a coach.
- Birney, Betty G. The World According to Humphrey. BL 4.2; RL O (RPL call # JUV FIC BIRNEY)
Humphrey, pet hamster at Longfellow School, learns that he has an important role to play in helping his classmates and teacher.

- Brown, Peter. The Wild Robot. BL 5.1; RL R (RPL call # JUV FIC 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. Her only hope of survival is to try to learn about her new environment from the island's hostile inhabitants.
- Christopher, Matt. Lucky Baseball Bat. BL 3.2; RL M (RPL call # JUV FIC CHRISTOPHER)
Marty loses his lucky baseball bat and his confidence along with it, and wonders if he will recover both in time to help the Tigers win the championship.
- Christopher, Matt. Catcher with a Glass Arm. BL 3.7; RL M (RPL call # JUV FIC CHRISTOPHER)
Jody is a catcher who does not throw well. After he is hit by a ball, he is afraid of pitched balls. But he is able to overcome his fear and humiliation.
- Cleary, Beverly. Socks. BL 5.2; RL O (RPL call # JUV FIC CLEARY)
The happy home of Socks, the cat, is disrupted by the addition of a new baby to the household.
- Clements, Andrew. Lost and Found. BL 5.0; RL R (RPL call # JUV FIC CLEMENTS)
Twin brothers Jay and Ray Grayson learn about friendship, honesty, and themselves after taking advantage of a clerical oversight in which their new school thinks there is only one Grayson boy.
- Clements, Andrew. A Week in the Woods. BL 5.0; RL T (RPL call # JUV FIC CLEMENTS (PBK))
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.
- Colfer, Chris. *Land of Stories*. [series]
Land of stories: Wishing Spell. Book 1 - BL 5.0; RL U (RPL call # JUV FIC COLFER)
Through the mysterious powers of a book, twins 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.
- Cotrell Boyce, Frank. Sputnik's Guide to Life on Earth. BL 4.0; RL Q (RPL call # JUV FIC COTRELL)
Sputnik is an alien, and he has a mission that requires Prez's help. Earth has been marked for destruction, and the only way they can stop it is to compile a list of ten reasons why Earth should be saved.
- Craft, Jerry. New Kid. BL 2.9 (RPL call #JUV GN CRAFT)
Seventh grader Jordan Banks loves nothing more than drawing cartoons about his life, but instead of sending him to the art school of his dreams, his parents enroll him in a prestigious private school known for its academics. [graphic novel]
- Creech, Sharon. Moo. BL 4.4; BL T (RPL call # JUV FIC CREECH)
What begins as farm chores turns to fun as twelve-year-old Reena and Luke take care of Zora and the other animals and discover that even the most stubborn of beings can turn into true friends.

- Creech, Sharon. Saving Winslow. BL 4.2; RL Q (RPL call # JUV FIC CREECH)
Louie doesn't have the best luck when it comes to nurturing small creatures. When his father brings home a sickly newborn mini donkey, Nicky is determined to save him. Taking care of Winslow helps Louie feel closer to his brother, Gus, who is serving in the military.
- Dahl, Roald. The BFG. BL 4.8; RL U (Ringwood PL call # JUV FIC DAHL)
Snatched from her orphanage by a BFG (Big Friendly Giant) who spends his life blowing happy dreams to children, Sophie and the giant concoct a plan to save the world from nine man-gobbling giants.
- Dahl, Roald. James and the Giant Peach. BL 4.0; RL S
A young boy escapes from two wicked aunts and embarks on a series of adventures with six giant insects he meets inside a giant peach.
- Dahl, Roald. The Witches. BL 4.7; RL R (RPL call # JUV FIC DAHL)
A young boy and his grandmother, who is an expert on witches, together foil a witches' plot to destroy the world's children by turning them into mice.
- DiCamillo, Kate. Because of Winn-Dixie. BL 3.9; RL R (RPL call # JUV FIC DICAMILLO)
Ten-year-old India Opal Buloni describes her first summer in the town of Naomi, Florida, and all the good things that happen to her because of her big, ugly dog Winn-Dixie.
- DiCamillo, Kate. Flora & Ulysses. BL 4.3; RL U (RPL call # JUV FIC DICAMILLO)
A girl named Flora and a squirrel named Ulysses, whose life was saved by Flora after he was involved in an incident with a vacuum cleaner, team up to use Ulysses' superpowers to conquer villains and protect the weak.
- DiCamillo, Kate. The Tale of Despereaux. BL 4.7; RL U (RPL call # JUV FIC DICAMILLO)
The adventures of Despereaux Tilling, a small mouse of unusual talents, the princess that he loves, the servant girl who longs to be a princess, and a devious rat determined to bring them all to ruin.
- DuPrau, Jeanne. *The City of Ember*. [series]
City of Ember. Book 1. BL 5.0; RL W (RPL call # JUV FIC DUPRAU VOL #1)
In the city of Ember, twelve-year-old Lina trades jobs on Assignment Day to be a Messenger to run to new places in her decaying but beloved city, perhaps even to glimpse Unknown Regions.
- Entrada, Erin Kelly. You Go First. BL 4.7; RL T (RPL call # JUV FIC KELLY)
Over the course of a week, Charlotte and Ben, online friends connected only by a Scrabble game, intersect in unexpected ways as they struggle to navigate the turmoil of middle school.
- Gantos, Jack. Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key. BL 5.4; RL T (RPL call # JUV FIC GANTOS)
Joey Pigza tries hard to be a good kid trapped in a "wired" body.
- Gardiner, John Reynolds. Stone Fox. BL 4.0; RL P (RPL call # JUV FIC GARDINER)
Little Willy hopes to pay the back taxes on his grandfather's farm with the prize money from a dogsled race he enters.

- Gemeinhart, Dan. The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise. BL 4.7; RL S (RPL call # JUV FIC GEMEINHART)
Twelve-year-old Coyote and her father rush to Poplin Springs, Washington, in their old school bus to save a memory box buried in a park that will soon be demolished.
- Gibbs, Stuart. *Spy School*. [series]
Spy School. Book 1. BL 5.3; RL V (RPL call # JUV FIC GIBBS VOL#1)
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.
- Giff, Patricia Reilly. The Candy Corn Contest. BL 2.5; RL L (RPL call # JUV FIC GIFF)
Richard Best wants to win the candy corn contest. He can almost taste the candy; and before he knows it, he has. What will happen when his teacher finds out?
- Grisham, John. *Theodore Boone*. [series]
Theodore Boone: Kid Lawyer. Book 1 - BL 5.2; RL U (RPL call # YA FIC GRISHAM)
Thirteen-year-old Theodore Boone, who knows every judge, police officer, and court clerk in his small town, finds himself involved in a murder trial because of knowledge he might have about a cold-blooded killer.
- Gutman, Dan. *Baseball Card Adventures*. [series – no series order]
Honus & Me. BL 4.3; RL R (RPL call # JUV FIC GUTMAN)
A baseball fan discovers a special baseball card worth more than just money.
- Gutman, Dan. The Homework Machine. BL 4.8; RL Q (RPL call # JUV FIC GUTMAN)
Four fifth-grade students – a geek, a class clown, a teacher's pet, and a slacker – as well as their teacher and mothers, each relate events surrounding a computer programmed to complete homework assignments.
- Gutman, Dan. *My Weird School* [series]
Miss Daisy is Crazy. Book 1 - BL 4.3; RL N-O (RPL call # JUV FIC GUTMAN Vol#1)
Miss Daisy's unusual teaching methods surprise the 2nd grade students, especially reluctant learner A.J.
- Hahn, Mary Downing. Took: A Ghost Story. BL 4.3; RL T (RPL call # JUV FIC HAHN)
A witch called Old Auntie is lurking near Dan's family's new home. He doesn't believe in her at first; but he is forced to accept that she is real and take action when his little sister, Erica, is "took" to become Auntie's slave for the next fifty years
- Harley, Bill. *Charlie Bumpers* [series]
Charlie Bumpers vs the Teacher of the Year. Book 1. BL 3.5; RL Q (RPL call # JUV FIC HARLEY VOL#1)
Charlie Bumper's worst fear is confirmed when he learns that he has Mrs. Burke for fourth grade. How will he survive a year with the strictest teacher in the whole school?

- Hiaasen, Carl. Chomp. BL 5.2; RL W (RPL call # JUV FIC HIAASEN)
The difficult star of the reality TV show *Expedition Survival* disappears on location in the Everglades where they were filming animals from a wildlife refuge run by Wahoo Crane's family. Wahoo and a classmate set out to find him.
- Hiaasen, Carl. Flush. BL 5.0; RL W (RPL call # JUV FIC HIAASEN)
With their father jailed for sinking a river boat, Noah Underwood and his younger sister Abbey must gather evidence that the owner of the floating casino is emptying his bilge tanks into the protected waters around their Florida Keys home.
- Hiaasen, Carl. Scat. BL 5.5; RL W (RPL call # JUV FIC HIAASEN)
Nick and his friend Marta decide to investigate when a mysterious fire starts near a Florida wildlife preserve and an unpopular teacher goes missing.
- Holm, Jennifer L. Turtle in Paradise. BL 3.7; RL S (RPL call # JUV FIC HOLM)
In 1935, when her mother gets a job housekeeping for a woman who does not like children, eleven-year-old Turtle is sent to stay with relatives she has never met in faraway Key West, Florida.
- Jamieson, Victoria. Roller Girl. BL 3.2; RL W (RPL call # JUV GN JAMIESON)
A graphic novel adventure about a girl who discovers roller derby right as she and her best friend are growing apart. [graphic novel]
- Kinney, Jeff. *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*. [series]
Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Greg Heffley's Journal. Book 1 - RL 5; RL T (RPL call # JUV FIC KINNEY)
Greg records his sixth grade experiences in a school where he and his friend Rowley hope to survive as undersized weaklings amid boys who need to shave twice daily. When Rowley grows more popular, Greg must take measures to save their friendship.
- Kazu, Kibuishi. *Amulet*. [series/graphic novel]
The Stonekeeper. Book 1. BL 2.0; RL Q. (RPL call # YA GN KIBUISHI VOL#1)
After moving to their ancestral home, Emily and Navin's mother is kidnapped by a tentacled creature in the basement that leads the children on a deadly chase into the magical world below their home.
- Korman, Gordon. Slacker. BL 5.1; RL W (RPL call # JUV FIC KORMAN)
When eighth-grader Cameron Boxer creates the Positive Action Group at school, he intends it as a diversion to fool his parents, teachers, and sister into letting him continue to concentrate on his video-gaming. But before he knows it, other kids are taking the Group seriously; and soon Cameron finds himself the Group's President and involved in community service. The boy who never cared about anything becomes the center of everything, whether he likes it or not.
- Korman, Gordon. Ungifted. BL 5.2; RL V (RPL call # JUV FIC KORMAN)
Due to an administrative mix-up, troublemaker Donovan Curtis is sent to the Academy of Scholastic Distinction, a special program for gifted and talented students, after pulling a major prank at middle school.

- Lee, Jenny. *Elvis and the Underdogs* [series]
Elvis and the Underdogs. Book #1. BL 4.7; RL R (RPL call # JUV FIC LEE)
All his life, ten-year-old Benji has been sickly and has long been targeted by the school bully, but after a seizure, Benji gets a therapy dog that is not only big enough to protect him, it can also talk.
- Levine, Gail Carson. Ella Enchanted. BL 4.6; RL U (RPL call # JUV FIC LEVINE)
In this novel based on Cinderella, Ella struggles against the childhood curse that forces her to obey any order given.
- Lin, Grace. Where the Mountain Meets the Moon. BL 5.5; RL T (RPL call # JUV FIC LIN)
Minli, an adventurous girl from a poor village, buys a magical goldfish and then joins a dragon on a quest to find the Old Man of the Moon in hopes of discovering how to change her family's fortune.
- Lord, Cynthia. Rules. BL 3.9; RL R (RPL call # JUV FIC LORD)
Frustrated at life with an autistic brother, twelve-year-old Catherine longs for a normal existence; but her world is further complicated by a friendship with a wheelchair-bound boy.
- Lord, Cynthia. Touch Blue. BL 4.4; RL R (RPL call # JUV FIC LORD)
When the state of Maine threatens to shut down their island's one-room schoolhouse because of dwindling enrollment, eleven-year-old Tess and her family take in a trumpet-playing foster child to increase the school's population.
- Maddox, Jake. Hockey Meltdown. BL 3.7; RL M (RPL call # JUV FIC MADDOX)
Although Dylan's arm is healing from a pre-season injury, can he be part of the team if he is stuck on the bench?
- Mass, Wendy and Stead, Rebecca. Bob. BL 3.9; RL P (RPL call # JUV FIC MASS)
While visiting her grandmother in Australia, ten-year-old Livy is reminded of the promise she made five years earlier to Bob, a strange, green creature who cannot recall who or what he is.
- Mass, Wendy. 11 Birthdays. BL 4.1; RL V (RPL call # JUV FIC MASS)
After having a falling out on their tenth birthday and not speaking to each other for the last year, Amanda and Leo prepare to celebrate their eleventh birthday separately, but peculiar things begin to happen.
- Mills, Claudia. How Oliver Olson Changed the World. BL 4.7; RL L
Afraid he will always be an outsider, like ex-planet Pluto, nine-year-old Oliver finally shows his extremely overprotective parents that he is capable of doing great things without their help while his class is studying the solar system.
- Morpurgo, Michael. Kensuke's Kingdom. BL 4.7; RL V (RPL call # JUV FIC MORPURGO)
When Michael is swept off his family's yacht, he washes up on a desert island where he struggles to survive, until he finds he is not alone.

- Morpurgo, Michael. War Horse. BL 4.9; RL X (RPL call # JUV FIC MORPURGO)
Joey the horse recalls his experiences growing up on an English farm, his struggle for survival as a cavalry horse during World War I, and his reunion with his beloved master.
- Mlynowski, Sarah. *Whatever After* [series]
Fairest of all. Book 1 - BL 2.8; RL S (RPL call # JUV FIC MLYNOWSKI #1)
After moving to a new house, ten-year-old Abby and her younger brother Jonah discover an antique mirror that transports them into the Snow White fairy tale.
- Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds. Shiloh. BL 4.4; RL R (RPL call # JUV FIC NAYLOR)
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.
- Northrup, Michael. Dear Justice League. RL 4.3
The greatest heroes in the DC Comics universe, the Justice League, answer mail from their biggest fans -- kids! [graphic novel]
- O'Connor, Barbara. Fame and Glory in Freedom, Georgia. BL 4.3; RL O (RPL call # JUV FIC OCONNOR)
Unpopular sixth-grader Burdette "Bird" Weaver persuades the new boy at school, whom everyone thinks is mean and dumb, to be her partner for a spelling bee that might win her everything she's ever wanted.
- O'Connor, Barbara. How to Steal a Dog. BL 4; RL T (RPL call # JUV FIC OCONNOR)
Living in the family car in their small North Carolina town after their father leaves them virtually penniless, Georgina, desperate to improve their situation and unwilling to accept her mother's calls for patience, persuades her younger brother to help her in an elaborate scheme to get money by stealing a dog and then claiming the reward that the owners are bound to offer.
- O'Connor, Barbara. Wonderland. BL 4.9; RL R-S (RPL call # JUV FIC O'CONNOR)
When her mother uproots them again and takes a job as a housekeeper, ten-year-old Mavis is determined to find a best friend in Alabama, where the summer also holds the promise of friendship and change for a sad man, a stray dog, and a timid girl.
- Park, Barbara. Skinnybones. BL 4.1; RL O (Ringwood PL call # JUV FIC PARK)
Life looks hopeless when Alex's losing team has to play baseball against T. J.'s winning team. But Alex has a hidden talent that could save the day – unless it ruins his life first.
- Parry, Rosanne. Wolf Called Wander. BL 4.3; RL Q (RPL call # JUV FIC PARRY)
A young wolf separated from his pack journeys 1,000 miles across the Pacific Northwest, dealing with forest fires, hunters, highways and hunger before finding a new home.
- Patterson, James. *Middle School*. [series]
Middle School the Worst Years of my Life. Book 1 - BL 4.5; RL V (RPL call # JUV FIC PATTERSON)
When Rafe enters middle school, he teams up with his best friend to create a game to make school more fun by trying to break every rule in the school's code of conduct.

- Paterson, Katherine. The Great Gilly Hopkins. BL 4.6; RL S (RPL call # JUV FIC PATTERSON)
An eleven-year-old foster child tries to cope with her longings and fears as she schemes against everyone who tries to be friendly.
- Pennypacker, Sara. Pax. BL 5.3; RL T (RPL # JUV FIC PENNYPACKER)
After being forced to give up his pet fox, Pax, a young boy named Peter decides to leave home and get his best friend back.
- Philbrick, W. R. Wildfire. BL 4.5; RL X
Sam Castine is at summer camp when the camp is evacuated ahead of a fast-moving wildfire. After making the mistake of going back for his phone, he finds himself left behind, disoriented, and running for his life.
- Pierce, Lincoln. *Big Nate*. [series]
Big Nate in a Class by Himself. Book 1. - BL 3.1; RL S (RPL call # JUV GN PIERCE)
Supremely confident middle-school student Nate Wright manages to make getting detention from every one of his teachers in the same day seem like an achievement.
- Riordan, Rick. *Heroes of Olympus*. [series]
The Lost Hero. Book 1 - BL 4.5; RL W (RPL call # JUV FIC RIORDAN VOL #1)
Jason, Piper, and Leo, three students from a school for “bad kids,” find themselves at Camp Halfblood, where they learn they are demigods and begin a quest to free Hera, who has been imprisoned by Mother Earth herself.
- Riordan, Rick. *Kane Chronicles*. [series]
Red Pyramid. Book 1 - BL 4.5; RL W (RPL call # JUV FIC RIORDAN #1)
Siblings Carter and Sadie Kane, descendants of Egyptian magicians, must defeat the evil god Set after the gods are accidentally released in the present.
- Riordan, Rick. *Magnus Chase and the Gods of Asgard*. [series]
Sword of Summer. Book 1 - BL 4.8; RL Y (RPL call # JUV FIC RIORDAN BK #1)
Magnus Chase, a homeless boy living in Boston, finds out he is the son of a Norse god and his birthright is a weapon that has been lost for thousands of years.
- Riordan, Rick. *Percy Jackson and the Olympians*. [series]
The Lightning Thief. Book 1 - BL 4.7; RL W (RPL call # JUV FIC RIORDAN BK #1)
Twelve-year-old Percy Jackson learns he is a demigod, the son of a mortal woman and Poseidon, god of the sea. His mother sends him to a summer camp for demigods, where he and his new friends set out
- Rivers, Karen. The Girl in the Well is Me. BL 4.7; RL Y (RPL call # JUV FIC RIVERS)
Eleven-year-old Kamie reflects on her life as she fights claustrophobia while waiting to be rescued from a well she fell into during a fake club initiation.

- Rowling, J. K. *Harry Potter* [series]
Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone. Book 1 - BL 5.5; RL V (RPL call # YA FIC ROWLING)
Rescued from the outrageous neglect of his aunt and uncle, a young boy with a great destiny proves his worth while attending Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry.
- Roy, Ron. *A-Z Mysteries*. [series]
The Absent Author. Book 1 - BL 3.4; RL N (RPL call # JUV FIC ROY)
Dink and his two friends investigate the apparent kidnapping of famous mystery author Wallis Wallace.
- Russell, Renee. *Dork Diaries*. [series]
Tales from a Not-So-Fabulous Life. Book 1 - BL 5.4; RL U (RPL call # JUV FIC RUSSELL)
Fourteen-year-old Nikki Maxwell writes and sketches in her diary about her struggle to be popular at her exclusive new private school and about giving up on being part of the elite group, before figuring out a way to simply be herself.
- Ryan, Pam Munoz. Esperanza Rising. BL 5.3; RL V (RPL call # JUV FIC RYAN)
Esperanza and her mother are forced to leave their life of wealth and privilege in Mexico to work in the labor camps of Southern California on the eve of the Great Depression.
- Sachar, Louis. Holes. BL 4.6; RL V (RPL call # YA FIC 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.
- Sachar, Louis. Marvin Redpost Alone in his Teacher's House. BL 2.9; RL L
(R PL call # JUV FIC SACHAR)
Marvin's friends think he's the luckiest boy in the world when his teacher asks him to dog-sit for a week. He gets to be alone in Mrs. North's house! But pretty soon it starts to look as if Marvin is not so lucky after all.
- Smith, Alexander McCall. The Great Cake Mystery: Precious Ramotswe's Very First Case.
BL 4.5; RL R (RPL call # JUV FIC MCCALL SMITH)
Before becoming the first female private investigator in Botswana, Precious Ramotswe tracks down a thief who has been stealing her classmates' snacks.
- Smith, Roland. Storm Runners. BL 4.5; RL U (RPL call # JUV FIC SMITH)
Twelve-year-old Chase Masters travels the country with his father, a "storm runner." But Chase is tested in ways he never could have imagined when he and a new friend are caught in a hurricane near St. Petersburg, Florida.
- Sutherland, Tui. *Wings of Fire* [series].
Series summary: The seven dragon tribes have been at war for generations, locked in an endless battle over an ancient, lost treasure. A secret movement called the Talons of Peace is determined to bring an end to the fighting, with the help of a prophecy -- a foretelling that calls for great sacrifice.
The Dragonet Prophecy, Book 1 - BL 5.0; RL X (RPL call # JUV FIC SUTHERLAND BK 1)

- Tarshis, Lauren. *I survived* [series] There is no series order.
I Survived the Sinking of the Titanic. BL 3.9; RL R (RPL call # JUV FIC TARSHIS (pbk))
Ten-year-old George Calder's life changes forever as he, his little sister Phoebe, and Aunt Daisy set out across the ocean on the Titanic in 1912.
- Telgemeier, Raina. Ghosts. BL 2.6; RL R (RPL call # JUV FIC TELGEMEIER)
Catrina and her family have moved to the coast of northern California for the sake of her little sister, Maya, who has cystic fibrosis. Cat is even less happy about the move when she is told that her new town is inhabited by ghosts. [graphic novel]
- Telgemeier, Raina. Smile. BL 2.6; RL T (RPL call # YA GN TELGEMEIER)
The author relates her experiences after she injured her two front teeth and had to have surgeries and wear embarrassing braces and headgear, all the while also dealing with the trials and tribulations of middle school. [graphic novel]
- Telgemeier, Raina. Sisters. BL 2.4; RL R (RPL call # JUV GN FIC TELGEMEIER)
The author tells the story of her relationship with her sister, which unfolds during the course of a road trip from their home in San Francisco to a family reunion in Colorado. [graphic novel]
- Turnage, Sheila. *Mo & Dale Mystery* [series]
Three Times Lucky. Book 1. BL 3.9 RL W (RPL call # JUV FIC TURNAGE)
Washed ashore as a baby in tiny Tupelo Landing, North Carolina, Mo LoBeau, now age eleven, and her best friend Dale turn detective when the amnesiac Colonel, owner of a café and co-parent of Mo with his cook, Miss Lana, seems implicated in a murder.
- Wallace, Rich. *Kickers* [series]
The Ball Hogs. BL 3.7; RL O (RPL call # JUV FIC WALLACE)
Nine-year-old Ben, a natural athlete and member of the Bobcats co-ed soccer team, wants to overcome his inexperience and prove himself on the field; but his obnoxious teammate, Mark, keeps hogging the ball.
- Weeks, Sarah. Pie. BL 5.6; RL Q
Alice's Aunt Polly passes away and entrusts the recipe for her world-famous pie crust to her cat, which she leaves in Alice's care. As everyone tries to discover the secret ingredients, Alice learns some important lessons about faith, love, and family.
- Winthrop, Elizabeth. The Castle in the Attic. BL 4.9; RL R (RPL call # JUV FIC WINTHROP)
A gift of a toy castle, complete with silver knight, introduces William to an adventure involving magic and a personal quest.

Nonfiction

- Bang, Molly. Buried Sunlight: How Fossil Fuels Have Changed the Earth. BL 4.9; RL R-S (RPL call # JUV 333.8 BAN)
Introduces fossil fuels and explains how coal, oil, and gas are really "buried sunlight," trapped beneath the surface of our planet for millions and millions of years.
- *Nic Bishop ...* [series – no series order]
The titles in this series are by the acclaimed photographer and award-winning author Nic Bishop. Fascinating close-up looks at the wonders of the natural world.
Bishop, Nic. Nic Bishop Lizards. BL 5.2; RL T-U (RPL call # JUV 597.95 BIS)
Nic Bishop's engrossing photos give a close-up view into the world of lizards hatching, gliding, basking, eating, and running on water.
- Brown, Don. All Stations! Distress! April 15, 1912: The Day the Titanic Sank. BL 5.4; RL U-V (RPL call # JUV 910.9163 BRO)
An account of the deadly voyage of the Titanic in April 1912, when about 2,200 passengers and crew, rich and poor alike, fought to survive.
- Cherrix, Amy E. Backyard Bears : Conservation, Habitat Changes, and the Rise of Urban Wildlife BL 7.7 (RPL call # JUV 599.785)
North Carolina's black bears were once a threatened species. Now their numbers are rising in and around Asheville. But what happens when conservation efforts for a species are so successful that there's a boom in the population? Can humans and bears live compatibly? What are the long-term effects for the bears?
- Chin, Jason. Grand Canyon. BL 6.4; RL W-Z (RPL call # 917.91 CHIN)
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Go behind the scenes with the people at National Geographic who research and photograph wild animals.
Rosing, Norbert. Face to Face with Polar Bears. BL 5.2; RL T-U (RPL call # JUV 599.786 ROS)
The author describes his experiences photographing polar bears, shares what he has learned about the animals, and showcases some of his pictures.
- Floca, Brian. Locomotive. BL 4.7; RL R-S (RPL call # JUV 385.0973 FLO)
It is the summer of 1869. Trains, crews, and families are traveling together, riding America's brand-new transcontinental railroad.
- Grogan, John. Marley: A Dog Like No Other. BL 4.9; RL R-S (RPL call # JUV 636.7 GRO)
This middle grade version of the memoir MARLEY AND ME recalls how Marley grew from a mischievous puppy into a nearly impossible adult dog that no amount of obedience school training could correct.

- Hatkoff, Juliana. Looking for Miza: The True Story of the Mountain Gorilla Family who Rescued One of Their Own. BL 5.8; RL V
When a gorilla named Miza is left alone in the jungles of Virunga National Park after her mother disappears, her father Kabirizi – with help from Congolese rangers – searches for her and eventually returns her to the endangered population of mountain gorillas.
- Hatkoff, Isabella. Owen & Mzee: The True Story of a Remarkable Friendship.
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The true story of the unusual relationship between Owen, a baby hippopotamus orphaned by the December 2004 tsunami, and Mzee, a 130-year-old giant tortoise.
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- Keating, Jess. Pink is for Blobfish: Discovering the World's Perfectly Pink Animals. BL 6.1; RL W-Z
(RPL call # JUV 591.472 KEA)
An informative introduction to the weirdest, wildest, pinkest creatures in the animal kingdom.
- Jenkins, Steve. Almost Gone: The World's Rarest Animals. BL 5.7; RL T-U
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Profiles animal species around the world that have gone extinct within human history or are at risk for extinction.
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Explores the interconnections between humans and the natural world, showing that humans and animals share patterns of behavior.
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Large populations of little brown bats have been dying off. Follow the scientists working to save the little brown bat in this real-life science mystery.
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