

Clovis Unified School District  
Supplemental Literature for Grade 2

Title	Author	Summary
26 Fairmont Ave.	dePaola, Tomie	Children's author-illustrator Tomie De Paola describes his experiences at home and in school when he was a boy.
Abe Lincoln for Class President	Strasser, Todd	Abe Lincoln gets sent into a time machine and doesn't remember anything. If they don't get Abe Lincoln back to the past, time will be totally changed. Brian doesn't want Abe to go back.
Abraham Lincoln	Mara, Wil	A brief overview of the life of the man who was President of the United States during the difficult years of the Civil War and who issued the Emancipation Proclamation freeing the slaves.
Adelita	dePaola, <u>Tomie</u>	After the death of her mother and father, Adelita is badly mistreated by her stepmother and stepsisters until she finds her own true love at a grand fiesta.
Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day	Viorst, Judith	The plight of a boy who had a bad day is described. All sorts of misfortunes confront him during the day. His mother consoles him by saying, "Some days are like that."
Amelia Bedelia	Parrish, Peggy	Idioms are introduced to young children in this early reader through the antics of the bumbling charming, eager-to-please housekeeper, Amelia Bedelia.
Armadillo Rodeo	Brett, Jan	Bo, an adventurous, near-sighted armadillo, leaves his mother and brothers to follow a girl heading to a rodeo wearing new red boots which Bo mistakes for another armadillo.
Arrow to the Sun	McDermott, Gerald	A Pueblo Indian boy is the son of the Sun God and wishes to meet his father. He is shaped into an arrow and shot toward the Sun. He meets several tests while on his quest and then returns to Earth to teach man of the Sun's spirit.
Aunt Harriet's Underground Railroad in the Sky	Ringgold, Faith	With Harriet Tubman as her guide, Cassie retraces the steps escaping slaves took on the Underground Railroad in order to reunite with her younger brother.
Baby Sister for Frances	Hoban, Russell	When things change around the house after her baby sister is born, Frances decides to run away--but not too far.
Because of Winn Dixie	DiCamillo, <u>Kate</u>	The summer ten-year-old Opal and her father move to Naomi, Florida, is the same summer Opal adopts Winn-Dixie, the scrappy dog abandoned in the town grocery store. One afternoon Winn-Dixie wanders off, and Opal finds her dog snacking on peanut butter at the house of the woman deemed a witch by Opal's bothersome playmates. In their regular visits, Opal reads <i>Gone with the Wind</i> to Gloria. In turn, this "witch" acts as a mother-figure to Opal, teaching her about being tolerant of others and their mistakes.
Best School Year Ever, The	Robinson, Barbara	The six horrible Herdmans, the worst kids in the history of the world, cause mayhem throughout the school year.
Best Teacher in the World, The	Maccarone, <u>Grace</u>	Bunny's favorite teacher, Mrs. Darcy, teaches Bunny not to be afraid to ask questions.
Biggest Bear	Ward, <u>Lynd K.</u>	Johnny goes hunting for a bearskin to hang on his family's barn and returns with a small bundle of

		trouble.
Boxcar Children #33 Pizza Mystery, The	Warner, Gertrude Chandler	When their favorite pizza restaurant almost goes out of business, the Alden children try to help their friends stay open while they find out who is behind all their problems.
Bremen Town Musicians	Grimm, Brothers	The Bremen-town musicians consist of a donkey, dog, cat, and a rooster on their way to Bremen-town to become musicians.
Cam Jansen and the Mystery of the Television Dog	Alder, David A.	Cam and Eric go to meet Poochie, the TV dog. Amidst the confusion, the dog disappears. Can Cam's photographic memory rescue Poochie?
Catwings Return	LeGuin, Orsula K.	Wishing to visit their mother, two winged cats leave their new country home to return to the city, where they discover a winged kitten in a building about to be demolished.
Cendrillion	San Souci, Robert D.	In this Creole variant of the familiar Cinderella tale set in the Caribbean, a Caribbean fairy godmother sets the record straight on what "really" happened in the famous tale. California author.
Chalk Box Kid, The	Bulla, Clyde Robert	Nine-year-old Gregory's house does not have room for a garden, but he creates a surprising and very different garden in an unusual place.
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory	Dahl, Roald	Charlie Bucket is so poor that he can only afford one candy bar a year, wins candy for life and a tour of Willie Wonka's top-secret chocolate factory. There are four other prizewinners, each a selfish child with a nasty personality. The story is filled with excitement, fantasy, humor, and moral lessons. This selection is the first of a series about Charlie Bucket.
Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator	Dahl, Roald	Taking up where Charlie and the Chocolate Factory leaves off, Charlie, his family, and Mr. Wonka find themselves launched into space in the great glass elevator.
Charlotte's Web	White, E.B.	Wilbur the pig is desolate when he discovers that he is destined to be the farmer's Christmas dinner until his spider friend, Charlotte decides to help him.
Chato's Kitchen	Soto, <u>Gary</u>	Chato, a low-riding gato (cat), and his pal Novio Boy plan a dinner for the new mouse neighbors, intending to dine on them for the main course. Their plan is foiled, however, by the quick-thinking mice. Awarded the Pura Belpre award, the scratchboard illustrations are controversial because one of the cats is wearing a red bandanna.
Chicken Sunday	Polacco, Patricia	The children of the neighborhood want to thank Miss Eula for her delicious Sunday chicken dinners by buying her a beautiful Easter hat. When they are accused of throwing eggs at Mr. Kodinski's shop, they have to find a way to clear their names and earn money for the hat.
Chrysanthemum	Henkes, Kevin	A young mouse named Chrysanthemum loves her beautiful name until classmates at school make fun of it. Fortunately, the music teacher understands and helps Chrysanthemum realize that her name is wonderful after all.
Cinderella	Werner, Jane	The original Little Golden Book from the 1940s featuring Walt Disney's <i>Cinderella</i> . This enchanting fairy tale is beautifully rendered with vintage artwork bringing Cinderella and her cruel stepsisters to life.
Cindy Ellen	Lowell, <u>Susan</u>	Cindy Ellen loses one of her diamond spurs at the square dance in this wild western retelling of the classic Cinderella story.
Class Clown	Hurwitz, Johanna	At first, Lucus Cott enjoys his reputation of being the third-grade class clown. His pranks are usually "good intentions gone wrong," and he vows that he will become a perfect student. However, it is with some difficulty that he learns there is a right and wrong way to use his humor. TEACHER'S PET and CLASS PRESIDENT are from the same series.

Days of the Blackbird	dePaola, Tomie	In this elegant tale, Tomie dePaola imagines how the Days of the Blackbird in northern Italy came to be. Gemma and her father, the Duke of Gennaro, live in a house with a courtyard that fills with birds of all colors through the spring and summer. When the Duke falls ill at the end of summer, Gemma begs the birds to stay to raise his spirits with their song. However, as snow and fierce winds begin to swirl down on the village, the birds must fly south to stay warm, and eventually only one loyal bird remains.
Emily's Runaway Imagination	Cleary, Beverly	Set in the 1920s, in small-town America, Fourth-grader Emily Barlett's runaway imagination keeps her busy! Whether it's getting the farm pigs drunk on rotten apples or bleaching the plow horse to keep him really white, Emily's adventures will keep readers laughing.
Erandi's Braids	<a href="#">Antonio Hernandez Madrigal</a>	Erandi is excited. Tomorrow is her birthday, and Mama has promised her a present. But tomorrow brings unexpected worries. Their fishing net is full of holes and beyond repair. Suddenly Mama needs money to buy a new one. Erandi knows that the hair buyers have come up from the city to buy the beautiful thick black braids of the village women.
Flat Stanley	Brown, Jeff	After a bulletin board falls on Stanley while he is sleeping, he finds that being flat has its advantages.
Frederick Douglass Fights for Freedom	Davidson, Margaret	Traces the life of the black abolitionist, from his early years in slavery to his later success as a persuasive editor, orator, and writer.
Frog & Toad Are Friends	Lobel, <a href="#">Arnold</a>	Five tales recounting the adventures of two best friends - Frog and Toad.
Fudge-A-Mania	Blume, Judy	Pete describes the family vacation in Maine with the Tubmans, highlighted by the antics of his younger brother Fudge.
Go Fish	Stolz, Mary	The story tells of a day in the life of a young African American, Thomas, and his grandfather. Readers follow along as the two read, fish, and play cards while conversing about life and sharing stories from their African ancestors. This book is part of a series by this author.
Goldilocks and the Three Bears	Brett, Jan	The classic story of the little girl who goes into the home of the three bears while they are out walking in the woods is depicted in this illustrated version of the story.
Graves Family, The	Polacco, Patricia and Plimpton, <a href="#">George A.</a>	When the spooky Graves family moves to town and tries to fit in with the "normal" residents of Union City, everyone is in for a few surprises.
Green Frogs, The	Heo, <a href="#">Yumi</a>	A folktale about two green frogs that always disobey their mother, explaining why green frogs cry out whenever it rains.
Halloween Echo	Clymer, <a href="#">Susan</a>	
Hannah	Whelan, Gloria	Because she is blind, nine-year-old Hannah finds that her world is confined to the family home and weekly visits to church. Set in 1887 Michigan, when the Braille method of reading and writing is new to America, Hannah's life is profoundly changed by a teacher who boards with her family and convinces them to allow Hannah to attend school and learn Braille.
Hat, The	Brett, Jan	Lisa puts her winter clothes on the line to air. When the wind blows a sock away, Hedgie the hedgehog finds it, sticks his nose in, and then finds it is stuck on his prickles. When the other animals laugh at him, he tells them it's his new hat, and soon they are all wearing a new article of clothing on their heads.

Headless Horseman, The	Gelsey, <u>James</u>	Scooby and his friends are up against one of their spookiest frights ever -- the Headless Horseman! Scooby and Shaggy are scared out of their wits.
Horrible and the Ant Invasion	Kline, Suzy	It's a busy time in Room 2B--an ant observation project is beginning, Miss Mackle is teaching square dancing, and class pictures are being taken. Then one of the fish from the 2B fish tank goes belly-up! Is Harry to blame?
How to Eat Fried Worms	Rockwell, Thomas	Billy will win \$50 if he wins the bet he made that he will eat 15 worms, one per day. This story reflects contemporary language.
If You Sailed on the Mayflower	McGovern, Ann	Imagine being a Pilgrim on the Mayflower, anxiously awaiting arrival in a new land. This popular book in the If You series answers a variety of questions about Pilgrim life--both on the ship and on shore--helping readers understand what it was like to have lived at that time.
It Could Always be Worse	Zemach, Margot	This Yiddish folktale and 1977 Caldecott Honor Book tells of a poor man who lives in a noisy house and yearns for a peaceful life. When he goes to his Rabbi for advice, he learns an important lesson about one's perspective. Detailed paintings reflect his chaotic existence.
James and the Giant Peach	Dahl, Roald	This classic tale of fantasy and wonder appeals to readers of all ages. Everyone is rooting for James as the magic peach grows in his yard, enabling him to escape "the aunts."
John Henry- An American Legend	Keats, Ezra Jack	Describes the life of the legendary steel-driving man who was born and who died with a hammer in his hand.
Josefina Story Quilt	Coerr, Eleanor	While traveling west with her family in 1850, a young girl makes a patchwork quilt chronicling the experiences of the journey and reserves a special patch for her pet hen Josefina.
Keep the Lights Burning Abby	Roop, Connie and Peter	In the winter of 1856, a storm delays the lighthouse keeper's return to an island off the coast of Maine, and his daughter Abbie must keep the lights burning by herself.
Keeping Quilt, The	Polacco, Patricia	Great-Grandma Anna comes to America from Russia during her childhood and brings with her a quilt that her mother had made for her. Over the ensuing years, the quilt is handed down through five generations. The quilt is used for the wedding canopy as well as to welcome new babies into the world. This book incorporates Jewish beliefs with family traditions.
Legend of Indian Paintbrush, The	dePaola, <u>Tomie</u>	Little Gopher follows his destiny, as revealed in a Dream-Vision, of becoming an artist for his people and eventually is able to bring the colors of the sunset down to the earth.
Legend of the Bluebonnet	dePaola, <u>Tomie</u>	A retelling of the Comanche Indian legend of how a little girl's sacrifice brought the flower called bluebonnet to Texas.
Leo the Late Bloomer	Kraus, Robert	Distressed by his inability to read, write, talk, and even eat neatly, the young tiger Leo feels even worse when his father expresses concern about his son's being left behind while everyone else seems to have mastered those skills. Leo's mother reassures his father with her statement, "Leo is just a late bloomer." Her words have proved comforting to many children who have identified with the young tiger.
Lily and Miss Liberty	Stevens, Carla	A little girl makes crowns and sells them to help raise money for the pedestal needed for mounting France's gift of the Statue of Liberty to this country.
Little House	Burton, Virginia L.	Sitting on a hill surrounded by apple trees, a little house watches as the seasons and years go by. As distant city lights move closer, it becomes surrounded by the city and is eventually rescued by a descendent of the original family. Detailed drawings highlight the passage of time and change.

Little Sister, The	Martin, <u>Ann M.</u>	Many little girls are sure to relate to Karen's excitement when she is asked to be a flower girl in Ms. Coleman's wedding.
Martin and the Tooth Fairy	Chardiet, <u>Bernice</u> and <u>Maccarone, Grace</u>	When Martin receives more money from the Tooth Fairy than his friends at school, he offers to put their teeth under his pillow for a percentage of the profits.
Marvin Redpost	Sachar, <u>Louis</u>	Even though they have all come to school in holey clothes, Marvin and his third grade class manage to impress their surprise visitor--the President of the United States.
Mitten, The	Brett, Jan	Several animals sleep snugly in Nicki's lost mitten until the bear sneezes.
Mr. Lincoln's Way	Patricia Polacco's	A bully overcomes his prejudice when an African American principal invites him to help attract birds to the school atrium.
Mr. Popper's Penguins	Richard & Florence Atwater	The unexpected delivery of a large crate containing an Antarctic penguin changes the life and fortunes of Mr. Popper, a house painter obsessed by dreams of the Polar regions.
Muggie Maggie	Cleary, Beverly	Maggie resists learning cursive writing in the third grade, until she discovers that knowing how to read and write cursive promises to open up an entirely new world of knowledge for her.
My Father's Dragon	Gannett, <u>Ruth Stiles</u>	A young boy determines to rescue a poor baby dragon that is being used by a group of lazy wild animals to ferry them across the river on Wild Island.
Nate the Great	Sharmat, <u>Marjorie Weinman</u>	Nate the Great, boy detective and pancake lover, is on a case - who stole Annie's painting of her dog, Fang? Garbed in deerstalker hat, trench coat, and rubbers (his mother insists), Nate follows all leads. With a deadpan style reminiscent of Sam Spade, Nate follows the clues and solves his case - and eats a lot of pancakes on the way.
Nobody Listens to Andrew	Guilfoile, <u>Elizabeth</u>	When his family and friends finally get around to listening to Andrew, they find he really does have something important to say.
Nutcracker Ballet	Stine, <u>Megan</u> and Olsen, <u>Ashley</u>	When their friend Miranda wins the role of Clara in the school's ballet performance of "The Nutcracker," Mary-Kate and Ashley soon have a mystery when Miranda's lucky ballet slippers are stolen.
On My Way	dePaola, <u>Tomie</u>	Children's author-illustrator Tomie De Paola describes his experiences at home and in school when he was a boy.
One Fine Day	Hogrogian, <u>Nonny</u>	After the old woman cuts off his tail when he steals her milk, the fox must go through a long series of transactions before she will sew it back on again.
Otherwise Known as Sheila the Great	Blume, Judy	A summer in Tarrytown, N.Y., is a lot of fun for ten-year-old Sheila even though her friends make her face up to some self-truths she doesn't want to admit.
Pink and Say	Polacco, Patricia	Racism and prejudice are set aside when Say Curtis remembers his meeting with Pinkus Aylee, a black soldier, during the Civil War. While recovering from battle wounds, Pink teaches Say to read. The two are captured by Southern troops, and only one survives to pass down this story of friendship and caring.
Polar Express	Van Allsburg, Chris	A young boy travels to the North Pole on a train that comes to his home on Christmas Eve. He is chosen by Santa to receive the first gift of Christmas, but he loses it (a bell) on the trip home. The bell reappears, however, the next morning under his Christmas tree.
Ramona Quimby, Age 8	Cleary, Beverly	The further adventures of the Quimby family as Ramona enters the third grade.

Random House Book of Poetry	Prelutsky, Jack	This volume of poetry contains a poem for every occasion, interest level, and teaching unit in the elementary school curriculum. The poems are arranged by theme, and each theme is introduced by an original Prelutsky poem. The poetry is by both American and English poets.
Return of the Home Run Kid	Christopher, <u>Matt</u>	Sylvester Coddmyer III is having a dismal baseball season until he takes advice from a mysterious ex-ballplayer named Cheeko and starts to play more aggressively.
Ring of Truth, The	<u>Bateman</u> , Teresa	After the king of the leprechauns bestows on him the Ring of Truth, Patrick O'Kelley no longer expects to win a blarney contest.
Robert and the Snake Escape	Seuling, Barbara	Robert and his best friend Paul have lots of fun on a weekend skiing vacation, but when they return, they have to try to find their missing third grade class pet, Sally the snake.
Rumpelstiltskin	Brothers, Grimm	A strange little man helps the miller's daughter spin straw into gold for the king on the condition that she will give him her first-born child.
Santa Clause Doesn't Mop Floors	Dadey, Debbie Jones, & Marcia Thornton	Mr. Dobson, the janitor, quits after Eddie and Howie smear peanut butter all over the stair railing. Mrs. Jeepers is gone and Mrs. Ewing is the third grade substitute teacher. Principal Davis tells the third grade they must clean the school until a new janitor arrives. Finally Mr. Jolly comes to the rescue.
Sarah Plain and Tall	MacLachlan, <u>Patricia</u>	When their father invites a mail-order bride to come live with them in their prairie home, Caleb and Anna are captivated by their new mother and hope that she will stay.
School Spirit	Johana Hurwitz	The school board has threatened to close Edison-Armstrong School, and fifth-graders Julio, Lucas, Cricket, and Zoe decide to form the Save Our School Committee. When bossy Jennifer Harper, a sixth grader, takes over the committee, Julio decides he must do something on his own to help. In between searching for a worthwhile project, he accidentally sets off the fire alarm, frightens his grandmother by walking on the window ledge of their apartment, and comes up with the best birthday gift for his brother. In the end, Jennifer gets all the credit for saving the building, which is disappointing to Julio, who worked so hard, but not unrealistic.
Second Grade- Friends Again	Cohen, Miriam	Jacob and Honey are two friends who think they will be friends forever. But, in the story both friends do mean things to each other and get in fights. Jacob and Honey learn that it is hard to be a good friend sometimes and that everyone needs a friend.
Shiloh	Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds	When Marty finds a lost beagle in the hills behind his West Virginia home, he tries to hide the dog from his family and from its real owner, who is a mean-spirited man. Convinced that he's Shiloh's last chance, Marty risks his own safety for the puppy's sake and strikes a bargain with an unlikely partner. This book is the first in a trilogy containing; SHILOH SEASON and SAVING SHILOH.
Smokey Mountain Rose	Schroeder, <u>Alan</u>	In this variation on the Cinderella story, based on the Charles Perrault version but set in the Smoky Mountains, Rose loses her glass slipper at a party given by the rich feller on the other side of the creek.
Song Lee and the Hamster Hunt	Kline, <u>Suzy Weaver</u>	When Song Lee's hamster escapes from its cage in Room 2B, the class members and other students in South School become involved in the search for him.
Sootface	Souci, <u>Robert D. San</u>	Although she is mocked and mistreated by her two older sisters, an Indian maiden wins a mighty invisible warrior for her husband with her kind and honest heart.
Star Spangled Banner	Qualey, <u>Marsha</u> and Key,	Provides a history and words to all four verses of the song called "The Star-Spangled Banner,"

	<u>Francis Scott</u>	which became the national anthem of the United States in 1931.
Starting School	Janet Ahlberg	The first four months of school for eight first graders are chronicled in wonderful watercolor detail. Numerous pictures show the small school obstacles that each five-year-old must overcome.
Stone Fox	Gardiner, John Reynolds	In order to save his grandfather's Wyoming farm, Little Willy enters the National Dog Sled Races hoping to win the money to pay her back taxes. His formidable opponent is Stone Fox, who has never lost a race. The courageous Little Willy and his gallant dog, Searchlight, give the race their best try. California author.
Stories Julian Tells, The	Cameron, Ann	Julian can lead his young brother Huey into a pack of trouble in a flick of an eye. Relationships with their father are central in the six stand-alone stories. Other titles in this series are STORIES HUEY TELLS, MORE STORIES JULIAN TELLS.
Strega Nona	dePaola, Tomie	Strega Nona, a witch with a special gift, can cure illnesses, help girls find husbands, and get rid of warts. Big Anthony, her helper, misuses a bit of her magic, with terrible consequences, and learns a lesson.
Strega Nona Takes a Vacation	dePaola, Tomie	Strega Nona sends home gifts of candy and bubble bath while on vacation, but when Bambolona grabs the candy, Big Anthony is left with a lot of bubbles.
Superfudge	Blume, Judy	Peter describes the highs and lows of life with his younger brother Fudge.
Sylvester & the Magic Pebble	Steig, <u>William</u>	In a moment of fright, Sylvester the donkey asks his magic pebble to turn him into a rock but then can not hold the pebble to wish himself back to normal again.
Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing	Blume, Judy	Peter finds his demanding two-year-old brother an ever increasing problem.
Tar Beach	Ringgold, Faith	With hopes for a better life, young Cassie imagines that she can fly over Harlem and toward happiness. Quilt paintings illustrate Cassie's fanciful journeys and her unwavering hope. California author/illustrator.
Tarantula Shoes	Birdseye, <u>Tom</u>	After moving from Arizona to Kentucky with his parents, his five-year-old twin brother and sister, and his pet tarantula, Fang, an eleven-year-old works creatively to earn the money for a special pair of basketball shoes that will help him feel accepted.
Teacher's Pet	Clements, <u>Andrew</u>	Jake remembers the terrible days in third grade when everybody thought he was the teachers' pet.
Thank You, Mr. Falker	Polacco, Patricia	Trisha has looked forward to learning to read. But it isn't until she is in fifth grade that she finds a dedicated teacher who helps her to understand and overcome her problem with reading. This powerful literacy story is based on the author's actual experience.
Thanksgiving Story	Dalgliesh, <u>Alice</u>	A Pilgrim family's struggle to survive in their harsh new homeland culminates in a thanksgiving feast.
Tops and Bottoms	Stevens, Janet (adapter)	Lazy Bear and clever Hare make a deal to plant crops and split the profits—Bear can have the tops, and Hare will have the bottoms. But when it's time for harvest, Hare gets the carrots, radishes, and beets, and Bear just gets the tops.
Tortoise and the Hare, The	<u>Aesop</u>	Recounts the race between the boastful hare and the persevering tortoise.
Triplet Trouble	Dadey, <u>Debbie</u>	Meet the Tucker Triplets! Mr. Parker's class is in for triple trouble and laughs! Mr. Parker's class is

		going to a museum. Some of the kids think that the day might be boring, but not Alex. She has a plan for fun - and trouble! The Tucker Triplets and Sam are in for an adventure.
Turkey Girl, The	Pollock, <u>Penny</u>	In this Indian variant of a familiar story, some turkeys make a gown of feathers for the poor girl who tends them so that she can participate in a sacred dance, but they desert her when she fails to return as promised.
Watch the Stars Come Out	Levinson, Riki	A grandmother tells her granddaughter of her voyage from Europe to the United States at the turn of the twentieth century. Well-researched information is reflected in the superb paintings that illustrate this immigration story.
Wayside School	Sachar, Louis	Slapstick humor about the out-of-the-ordinary, 30-stories-high Wayside School. The teacher's trials and the students' antics make for a humorous read-aloud book. This is a sequel to <b>SIDEWAYS STORIES FROM WAYSIDE SCHOOL</b> .
Witches, The	Dahl, Roald	The Grand High Witch has a fiendish plan for getting rid of all the children in England. This terrible plan is overheard by the young boy narrator of the story. Fortunately his grandmother knows a lot about witches. But can the boy and his grandmother overcome the witches?
Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears	Verna Aardema	An African folktale about an obnoxious mosquito that causes uproar in the jungle. The action of the mosquito begins a chain of events leading to the death of an owlet, and to Mother Owl's reluctance to wake the sun. In the end, the mosquito is punished and we learn why the mosquito buzzes in people's ears asking, "Zeee! Is everyone still mad with me?"

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Title	Author	Summary
Ace: The Very Important Pig	King-Smith, <u>Dick</u>	Ace is an intelligent, lovable, unlikely pig hero, similar to his ancestor Babe: The Gallant Pig. Ace is distinguished from his littermates by a black mark in the shape of a club from a deck of cards, and also by his ability to understand human speech. The lonely, good-natured Farmer Tubbs is used to talking to his animals, but he is amazed when this young piglet makes his wants known with different grunts.
Agatha's Feather Bed	Deedy, Carmen Agra	Professional storyteller Carmen Deedy spins a riotous morality tale in Agatha's Feather Bed. Agatha, a weaver, orders a new feather bed from B.B. Lean, then six shivering, geese pay her a visit.
All About Sam	Lowry, <u>Lois</u>	The adventures of Sam, Anastasia Krupnik's younger brother, from his first day as a newborn through his mischievous times as a toddler.
An Occasional Cow	Horvath, Polly	When Imogene found out she had to leave New York City for the summer and visit relatives in Iowa, she certainly did not expect to have all the excitement and fun she ended up having.
Annie and the Old One	Miles, <u>Miska</u>	Faced with the impending death of her much-loved grandmother, Annie gradually comes to recognize the wonder of all living things and the justice of every creature's eventual return to the earth.
Atta Boy, Sam	Lowry, Lois	Sam Krupnik, a delightfully funny four-year-old, needs a birthday gift for his mom. Sam decides to make

		his own perfume for his mother. Sam sets out to collect his mom's favorite smells in an old grape juice container. He collects seawater, chicken soup, hair, tissues from a baby, and yeast. Sam finds himself in some amusing predicaments! He is scared of his gift when it starts bubbling and gurgling in his toy box. The surprise ending reveals what happens to his perfume and the emergency gift that his family gives to Mrs. Krupnik to wish her a happy birthday.
Aunt Chip and the Triple Creek Dam Affair	<u>Polacco, Patricia</u>	Because of television, a whole town forgets how to read until Aunt Chip, the town librarian, intervenes.
Bad Case of Stripes, A	<u>Shannon, David</u>	In order to ensure her popularity, Camilla Cream always does what is expected, until the day arrives when she no longer recognizes herself.
Baseball in April and Other Stories	Soto, <u>Gary</u>	Events of everyday life reveal big themes--youth/age, love/friendship, success/failure--in this collection of short stories featuring Latino kids as they perform in the school talent show, go out on dates, and take part in activities.
Battle for the Castle	<u>Winthrop, Elizabeth</u>	William and friend Jason time-travel to the Middle Ages, where they become involved in a struggle to prevent the return of evil as a ruling power.
Because of Winn Dixie	<u>DiCamillo, Kate</u>	When Opal and her father, the preacher, move to Florida, Opal goes into a Winn-Dixie supermarket and comes out with a dog. With the help of her new pal, Opal makes a variety of new, interesting friends. She spends the summer collecting stories about them and thinking about her absent mother.
Ben Franklin and the Magic Square	Murphy, Frank Waltz, Richard	In this offering from the Step into Reading + Math series, young readers will learn about both Benjamin Franklin and magic squares--square grids of numerals in which all the numbers in any vertical, horizontal, or diagonal row adds up to the same sum.
Best Christmas Pageant Ever	Robinson, <u>Barbara</u>	The least behaved kids in town take over the Christmas pageant with hilarious and tender consequences.
Best School Year Ever, The	Robinson, Barbara	The six horrible Herdmans, the worst kids in the history of the world, cause mayhem throughout the school year.
Beware of Storybook Wolves	Child, <u>Lauren</u>	When two wolves escape one night from his fairy tale book and threaten to eat him, Herb enlists the reluctant help of Cinderella's fairy godmother.
BFG	Dahl, <u>Roald</u>	Sophie and the BFG cook up an ingenious plan to rid the world of trogglehumping, begthumping giants.
Box Car Kids Series	Chandler- Warner, Gertrude	This pleasant story opens as four tired and hungry siblings aged 5 to 15, press their noses against a bakery window, eyeing the lovely goodies inside. They have recently lost their parents and are on the run from their mean grandfather, whom they have never met. They find an abandoned boxcar in the woods, set up housekeeping, and live quite happily on berries, bread, and a little meat bought with the oldest boy's gardening pay. Life is very good until one of the girls becomes sick and they must tell an adult about where they live.
Brave Potatoes	<u>Speed, Toby</u>	When prize potatoes at a country fair sneak out for some midway fun, they don't count on Chef Hackemup who is eyeing them for his kitchen in this very funny tale of some gallant spuds.
Brother Eagle, Sister Sky	Jeffers, <u>Susan</u>	A Suquamish Indian chief describes his people's respect and love for the earth and concern for its destruction.
Bud, Not Buddy	Curtis, <u>Christopher Paul</u>	Ten-year-old Bud hits the road in search of his father and his home.
Cactus Hotel	Claire E. Gallo	The life cycle of the giant saguaro cactus.
Cajun Night Before Christmas	<u>Trosclair, Howard Jacobs</u>	This book takes a folklore view of Santa in Louisiana.

Callie and Me	Wallace, Bill Wallace, Carol	Gray, a kitten, narrates his experiences as he discovers the world around him. A naturally good hunter, he can't quite understand why his human "Mama" doesn't appreciate the offerings he leaves on her doorstep.
Calling the Doves	Herrera, <u>Juan Felipe</u>	The author's story of his migrant farm worker childhood. He recreates the joy of eating breakfast under the open sky, listening to Mexican songs in the little trailer house his father built, and celebrating with other families at a fiesta in the mountains.
Captain Underpants	Pilkey, <u>Day</u>	He used to be Principal Krupp, but now he's the crime fighting, Captain Underpants, the only superhero wacky enough to tackle the evil Dr. Diaper.
Castle in the Attic	Winthrop, <u>Elizabeth</u>	Ten-year-old William is so distraught at the idea of his beloved Nanny returning to England that, with the aid of a magic token, he shrinks her to toy size and keeps her in the model castle that had been her parting gift to him.
Kat Kong	Pilkey, Dave	These two funny picture books spoof Godzilla and King Kong as they launch the mice inhabitants of Mousopolis against, respectively, a killer cat and dog.
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory	Dahl, <u>Roald</u>	Charlie Bucket is so poor that he can only afford one candy bar a year. He wins candy for life and a tour of Willie Wonka's top-secret chocolate factory. There are four other prizewinners, each a selfish child with a nasty personality. The story is filled with excitement, fantasy, humor, and moral lessons. This selection is the first of a series about Charlie Bucket.
Charlotte's Web	White, <u>E.B.</u>	A bashful and naive young pig named Wilbur becomes friends with a spider named Charlotte, who saves Wilbur's life by convincing the farmer and community members that he is no ordinary porker.
Chocolate Fever	Smith, <u>Robert Kimmel</u>	From eating too much chocolate, Henry breaks out in brown bumps that help him foil some hijackers and teach him a valuable lesson about self-indulgence.
Chocolate Touch, The	Catling, <u>Patrick Skene</u>	Originally written in 1952 this is the story of how a boy's desire for chocolate becomes his fatal flaw.
Chronicles of Narnia, The	Lewis, <u>C. S.</u>	The Chronicles of Narnia is a series of seven <a href="#">fantasy novels for children</a> . They present the adventures of <a href="#">children</a> who play central roles in the unfolding history of the realm of <a href="#">Narnia</a> , where some animals talk, <a href="#">magic</a> is common, and <a href="#">good</a> is fighting <a href="#">evil</a> .
Chrysanthemum	Henkes, Kevin	A young mouse named Chrysanthemum loves her beautiful name until classmates at school make fun of it. Fortunately, the music teacher understands and helps Chrysanthemum realize that her name is wonderful after all.
CinderHazel	Lattimore, Deborah	A comic take on the "Cinderella" theme. Hazel is a determined witch who loves dirt, although the reason for this obsession is never revealed. She is delighted when her snobby stepsisters and stepmother call her "Cinderhazel."
Coming to America: The Story of Immigration	Maestro, Betsy	This bright picture book tells of the migration of diverse immigrant and ethnic groups to North America, dating back to the travels of native peoples across the Bering Strait, and including the Atlantic slave trade and the journey of immigrants from Europe and Asia.
Cricket in Time Square, The	Selden, <u>George</u>	The adventures of a country cricket that unintentionally arrives in New York and is befriended by Tucker Mouse and Harry Cat.
Different Dragons	<u>Little, Jean</u>	Ben, who fears everything, especially his aunt's dog, learns that everyone sometimes has something to fear.
Doorbell Ring, The	Hutchins, <u>Pat</u>	Each time the doorbell rings, there are more people who have come to share Ma's wonderful cookies.
Double Fudge	Blume, Judy	A continuation of the Fudge book series. In this book Fudge continues to embarrass his family, especially his older brother Peter, who is just starting 7th grade.

Dr. Dolittle	Lofting, Hugh	A doctor has a special bond with animals.
Dumb Bunnies & The Dumb Bunnies Easter, The	Denim, <u>Sue</u>	It's December 24th, and the Dumb Bunnies are celebrating the holidays in their own way.
Eddie Dickens Trilogy, The	Ardagh, <u>Philip</u>	When both of Eddie's parents catch a disease that makes them turn yellow, it's agreed he should go away and stay with relatives at their house, Awful End. Alas for Eddie, those relatives are Mad Uncle Jack and Even Madder Aunt Maud - and the journey to Awful End will take him to everywhere from St. Horrid's Home for Grateful Orphans to an audience with The Empress of All China.
Elmer	McKee, David	All the elephants of the jungle were gray except Elmer, who was a patchwork of brilliant colors until the day he got tired of being different and making the other elephants laugh.
Fables	Lobel, Arnold	Twenty original fables about an array of animal characters from crocodile to ostrich.
Falling Up	Silverstein, Shel	A collection of humorous poems and drawings.
Farmer Boy	Wilder, Laura Ingalls	From shearing sheep and milking cows to training young calves, Almanzo Wilder worked very hard on his family's farm in New York. But when his chores were all done, Almanzo could go to his favorite place in the whole world — the Horse-Barn. Almanzo dreams of one day having a horse of his own!
Feathers and Fools	Fox, <u>Mem</u>	Two flocks of birds began to fear each other because of their differences. The fear grew, and soon the birds became enemies, hoarding great quantities of weapons to protect themselves--until panic struck and the chance for peace seemed lost forever.
Flying Flea, The	Wallace, <u>Carol Wallace, Bill</u>	The house people had picked me out of my litter to be a mouser. Callie was getting too old for the job. So it was mine. But I didn't plan on getting dive-bombed by a mockingbird building her nest...or adopting the baby who fell out.
Fool of the World and the Flying Ship, The	Ransome, <u>Arthur</u>	When the Czar proclaims that he will marry his daughter to the man who brings him a flying ship, the Fool of the World sets out to try his luck and meets some unusual companions on the way.
Freak the Mighty	Philbrick, Rodman	A novel about two boys — a slow learner, too large for his age, and a tiny, disabled genius — who pair up to create one formidable human force known as "Freak the Mighty."
Freckle Juice	Blume, Judy	Poor Andrew wishes he had freckles like his classmate, Nicky. When he decides to ask Nicky how he got his freckles, he doesn't realize that Sharon, who's always bugging him, is standing nearby. Amused that Andrew would do <i>anything</i> to get freckles; Sharon offers him her "special" recipe.
Freddy in Peril	Reiche, <u>Dietlof</u>	A cat, two guinea pigs, and a colony of brave sewer rats band together in order to save Freddy, a golden hamster, from an evil scientist who's discovered that Freddy can read and write, and plans to hamster- <i>nap</i> him in order to dissect his brain.
Frindle	Clements, Andrew	Nicholas Allen is a troublemaker, and his language arts teacher, Mrs. Granger, will make sure these days are over — but when Nick invents a new word for <i>pen</i> , the nonsense explodes to new heights. This is an imaginative tale about creative thought and the power of words.
Frog Prince Continued, The	Scieszka, Jon	After the frog turns into a prince, he and the Princess do not live happily ever after and the Prince decides to look for a witch to help him remedy the situation.
Frog Prince, The	Porter, Jane	The story of a woman who must start a new life as an event planner in San Francisco after her fairy tale marriage falls apart
From Seed to Plant	Gibbons, Gail	This book explores the complex relationship between seeds and plants in a simple, concise format. The topics discussed include plant reproduction, pollen transference, seed dispersal and germination.

Fugitive Factor 1 & 2, The	Korman, Gordan	Aiden and Meg Falconer are out to find the evidence that will free their parents from a life sentence in prison. But in order to do that, they have to live undercover. Ever since they broke out of a juvenile detention facility, they've been chased by the FBI ... and by a strange killer they've nicknamed Hairless Joe.
Gingerbread Man, The	McCafferty, <u>Catherine</u>	The freshly baked Gingerbread Man escapes from the oven and outruns all those who try to catch him. But will he be able to avoid the clever fox or end up as his tasty snack?
Good Little Girl, The	David, Lawrence	Miranda, a good little girl who usually smiles cheerfully when her preoccupied parents are too busy for her, is finally pushed to the limit when her mother forgets the waffle mix for the Saturday Family Waffle Breakfast. Angry beyond words, Miranda is transformed into a green-faced, red-eyed, snarling child named Lucretia, who always gets what she wants.
Grandfather Tang's Story	Tompert, Ann	Two competitive fox fairies go through rapid physical transformations until a hunter's arrow reminds them of their true friendship. This original tangram tale is framed by the loving relationship between a grandfather and granddaughter.
Grandfathers Journey	Say, Allen	A Japanese-American man recounts his grandfather's journey to America, which he later undertakes himself, and the feelings of being torn by a love for two different countries.
Great Horn Spoon	Fleischman, Sid	The year is 1849. Young Jack Flagg sets out to recoup his Aunt Arabella's fortune on a ship bound from Boston to the California gold fields. Thus begin the wild, swashbuckling adventures of a determined 12-year-old and his intrepid butler.
Great Kapok Tree, The	Cherry, <u>Lynne</u>	The many different animals that live in a great kapok tree in the Brazilian rainforest try to convince a man with an ax of the importance of not cutting down their home.
Greedy Triangle, The	Burns, <u>Marilyn</u>	Dissatisfied with its shape, a triangle keeps asking the local shapeshifter to add more lines and angles until it doesn't know which side is up.
Grouchy Ladybug, The	Carle, Eric	A grouchy ladybug, looking for a fight, challenges everyone she meets regardless of their size or strength.
Harriet the Spy	Fitzhugh, Louise	In an effort to become a famous writer, Harriet follows a regular spy route and records everything she sees in her secret notebook — until it falls into the wrong hands.
Harriet's Hare	King-Smith, Dick	Eight-year-old Harriet lives on a farm in England. Her mother is deceased her father is a loving but busy farmer, and the housekeeper is a character but not a companion. Then one summer morning, "a perfect circle of flattened wheat" changes her life.
Harry's Mad	King-Smith, Dick	Harry's parents and friends think he's mad, because he acts out the rich fantasies of his 10-year-old imagination. And when his eccentric American uncle dies and leaves Harry a parrot named Madison (Mad), they're convinced of it.
Hatchet	<u>Paulsen, Gary</u>	Thirteen year-old Brian Robeson, the sole survivor of a plane crash in the Canadian wilderness, must draw on his untested skill and strength to survive alone in the wilderness.
Hatching Dragon	Downer, Ann Rayyan, Omar	In this fantasy, three different seekers pursue a lost dragon. Wycca, the dragon belongs to Gideon, a busy twelfth-century wizard. When he finds that she has wandered through a bolt-hole into the future, he packs up his magic implements and steps into the mysterious opening to emerge in twenty-first century Boston.
Heroes	Cormier, Robert	Eighteen-year-old Francis Cassavant has returned from World War II an unwilling hero. Although he can still see and hear, a grenade has blown away his nose, his ears, his teeth, and his cheeks, leaving him faceless. Hiding his ghastly wounds with bandages and a white silk scarf, Francis for has returned to his hometown with a secret mission--a plot for revenge against his enemy Larry LaSalle.

Hey Little Ant	Hoose, Phillip	The boy tells the ant that someone so small couldn't possibly have any feelings, and that he's a crook for stealing food at picnics. The ant replies that he has a family and responsibilities, and that he and the boy are really not so different. How would the boy feel if the situation were reversed?
Holes	<u>Sachar, Louis</u>	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 boys' juvenile detention center in the Texas desert. As punishment, the boys here must each dig a hole every day. Ultimately, Stanley "digs up the truth" -- and through his experience, finds his first real friend, a treasure, and a new sense of himself.
Hoot	Hiaasen, Carl	Roy, who is new to his small Florida community, becomes involved in another boy's attempt to save a colony of burrowing owls from a proposed construction site.
Hooway for Wodney Wat	<u>Lester, Helen</u>	All his classmates make fun of Rodney because he can't pronounce his name, but it is Rodney's speech impediment that drives away the class bully.
Horrible Harry Moves Up to Third Grade	Kline, Suzy	Horrible Harry and friends start off third grade with a new room and a field trip to an old copper mine to study rocks.
Hot and Cold Summer	Hurwitz, Johanna	Two inseparable ten-year-old boys discover there is room in their friendship for another person and it really doesn't matter that she is a girl.
How To Be Cool in Third Grade	Duffey, <u>Betsy</u>	When Robbie York is marked as a target by a bully at school, he decides that the only way to survive the third grade is by being cool.
How to Eat Fried Worms	Rockwell, Thomas	Two boys set out to prove that worms can make a delicious meal.
I, Freddy	Reiche, <u>Dietlof</u>	Freddy, a remarkably intelligent golden hamster learns how to read and how to write on a computer and escapes captivity to become an independent and civilized creature.
Ida B.	Hannigan, <u>Katherine</u>	In Wisconsin, fourth-grader Ida B. spends happy hours being home-schooled and playing in her family's apple orchard, until her mother begins treatment for breast cancer and her parents must sell part of the orchard and send her to public school.
Important Book, The	Brown, <u>Margaret Wise</u>	From the author of Goodnight Moon and The Runaway Bunny comes a book that points out the important things about everyday objects and what makes them special.
In My Family	Garza, <u>Carmen Lomas</u>	The author describes, in bilingual text and illustrations, her experiences growing up in a Hispanic community in Texas.
Indian in the Cupboard	<u>Banks, Lynne Reid</u>	The toy Indian Omri received for his birthday comes to life.
Island of the Blue Dolphin	O'Dell, <u>Scott</u>	Left alone on a beautiful but isolated island off the coast of California, a young Indian girl spends eighteen years, not only merely surviving through her enormous courage and self-reliance, but also finding a measure of happiness in her solitary life.
Jalapeno Bagels	Wing, <u>Natasha</u>	Pablo, a Jewish Mexican boy, can't decide what to bring into school for International Day. He would like something that represents both his Jewish and Mexican heritages together.
James and the Giant Peach	Dahl, <u>Roald</u>	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.
Jim Ugly	<u>Fleischman, Sid</u>	Certain that his actor father is not dead, despite rumors to the contrary, twelve-year-old Jake Bannock sets out with his part-wolf dog, Jim Ugly, to find his father.
Jip: His Story	Paterson, <u>Katherine</u>	While living on a Vermont poor farm during 1855 and 1856, Jip learns his identity and that of his mother and comes to understand how he arrived at this place.

John Henry	Lester, Julius	Retells the life of the legendary African American hero who raced against a steam drill to cut through a mountain.
Johnny Appleseed	Demuth, Patricia Brennan	Recounts the story of the man who traveled west planting apple seeds to make the country a better place to live.
Joyful Noise	Horn, <u>Jeff</u>	One man, through an accidental communication with the dead, finds proof of such an afterlife.
Judy Moody Series	McDonald, <u>Megan</u>	Third grader Judy Moody is in a first day of school bad mood until she gets an assignment to create a collage all about herself and begins creating her masterpiece, the Me collage.
Jumanji	Allsburg, Chris Van	Left on their own for an afternoon, two bored and restless children find more excitement than they bargained for in a mysterious and mystical jungle adventure board game.
Kid in the Red Jacket, The	<u>Park, Barbara</u>	When ten-year-old Howard has to move with his family to a distant state, he is forced to live on a street named Chester Pewe, adjust to a new school, and get used to being shadowed by the little girl in a nearby house.
King Who Rained, The	Gwynne, Fred	A little girl pictures the things her parents talk about, such as a king who rained, bear feet, and the foot prince in the snow.
Knots on a Counting Rope	Martin, Bill Archambault, John Clarke, J.	A grandfather and his blind grandson, Boy-Strength-of-Blue-Horses, reminisce about the young boy's birth, his first horse, and an exciting horse race.
Last of the Really Great Whangdoodles, The	Edwards, Julie	With help from an eccentric professor who gives their imaginations special intensive training, three children succeed in locating the last of the great Whangdoodles and granting his heart's desire.
Legend of the Bluebonnet	Paola, <u>Tomie de</u>	A retelling of the Comanche Indian legend of how a little girl's sacrifice brought the flower called bluebonnet to Texas.
Legend of the Indian Paintbrush, The	Paola, <u>Tomie de</u>	Little Gopher follows his destiny, as revealed in a Dream-Vision, of becoming an artist for his people and eventually is able to bring the colors of the sunset down to the earth.
Lion, the Witch, the Wardrobe, The	Lewis, C.S.	Four English schoolchildren find their way through the back of a wardrobe into the magic land of Narnia and assist its ruler, the golden lion Aslan, to triumph over the White Witch, who has cursed the land with eternal winter.
Little House Series	Wilder, <u>Laura Ingalls</u>	The nine classic Little House books portray the life of Laura Ingalls and her remarkable pioneer childhood. Although her books are historical fiction, Wilder brought to life her family's real-life adventures, challenges and triumphs on the American frontier. Originally published in 1932, Little House in the Big Woods is the first book in the Little House Series.
Loser	<u>Spinelli, Jerry</u>	Zinkoff is unlike other kids in school and so doesn't worry about coming in last place or always having the wrong answers, despite the teasing and comments he gets from those around him, in a tale about maintaining individuality amidst pressures of fitting in with the crowd.
Magic Tree House Series	Osborne, Mary Pope	The mysterious tree house whisks Jack and Annie back to the prehistoric past. Can they figure out how to get home before dark...or will they become a dinosaur's dinner? In Book 2, <i>The Knight at Dawn</i> , the Magic Tree House sends the siblings back to the Middle Ages for another wild adventure -- this time, in a storybook castle. In <i>Mummies in the Morning</i> (Book 3), Jack and Annie find themselves in ancient Egypt. There, they meet a long-dead queen who needs their help. Will Jack and Annie be able to solve the puzzle, or will they end up as mummies themselves? And in Book 4, <i>Pirates Past Noon</i> , the Magic Tree House transports Jack and Annie back to the days of deserted islands and nasty pirates. Will they discover buried

		treasure? Or will they walk the plank?
Maniac Magee	Spinelli, Jerry	After his parents die, Jeffrey Lionel Magee's life becomes legendary, as he accomplishes athletic and other feats which awe his contemporaries.
Math Curse	Scieszka, Jon	When the teacher tells her class that they can think of almost everything as a math problem, one student acquires a math anxiety which becomes a real curse.
Miss Daisy is Crazy	Gutman, Dan	Miss Daisy's unusual teaching methods surprise her second grade students, especially reluctant learner A.J.
Mixed Up Files of Mrs. Basil, Trandwiller, The		A tale of two kids who run away from home and discover adventure in the Metropolitan Museum. There, after the galleries close, they have adventures among the medieval armor and precious statues.
Molly's Pilgrim	Cohen, Barbara	Told to make a Pilgrim doll for the Thanksgiving display at school, Molly is embarrassed when her mother tries to help her out by creating a doll dressed as she herself was dressed before leaving Russia to seek religious freedom.
Mouse and the Motorcycle	Cleary, <u>Beverly</u>	A reckless young mouse named Ralph makes friends with a boy in room 215 of the Mountain View Inn and discovers the joys of motorcycling.
Mr. Peabody's Apples	<u>Madonna</u>	<i>Mr. Peabody's Apples</i> takes place in 1949 in Happville, USA. One Saturday, Mr. Peabody, the beloved elementary school teacher and baseball coach, finds himself all alone on the baseball field. He wonders where everybody is until he sees the bat boy, Billy Little, walking toward him with a sad look on his face. Billy tells him that another student, Tommy Tittlebottom, spread a rumor that Mr. Peabody was a thief after Tommy saw Mr. Peabody taking apples twice from the local market.
Mr. Popper's Penguin	<u>Atwater, Richard Atwater, Florence</u>	With twelve penguins on his hands as pets, Mr. Popper finds himself unable to continue his occupation as a house painter.
Mrs. Roopy is Loopy	Gutman, Dan	A.J. and his classmates are convinced that new school librarian, Mrs. Roopy, has multiple personality disorder because she keeps pretending to be famous people.
Mushy Gushy Valentine	Park, <u>Barbara</u>	When Junie B. Jones receives a mushy gushy "valentine" on Valentine's Day, she tries to find out who in her kindergarten class is her secret admirer.
My Life in Dog Years	Paulsen, Gary	The author describes some of the dogs that have had special places in his life, including his first dog, Snowball, in the Phillippines; Dirk, who protected him from bullies; and Cookie, who saved his life.
Mysteries of Harris Burdick, The	<u>Chris Van Allsburg</u>	Presents a series of loosely related drawings each accompanied by a title and a caption which the reader may use to make up his or her own story.
Mystery of the Dollhouse, The Murders	Wright, <u>Betty Ren</u>	A dollhouse filled with a ghostly light in the middle of the night and dolls that have moved from where she last left them lead Amy and her retarded sister to unravel the mystery surrounding grisly murders that took place years ago.
Nate the Great	Sharmat, <u>Marjorie Weinman</u>	Nate the Great, boy detective and pancake lover, is on a case - who stole Annie's painting of her dog, Fang? Garbed in deerstalker hat, trench coat, and rubbers (his mother insists), Nate follows all leads. With a deadpan style reminiscent of Sam Spade, Nate follows the clues and solves his case - and eats a lot of pancakes on the way.
Native Americans	Pendleton, Lorann	The story of <i>Native Americans</i> is part of <i>Discoveries</i> , a dynamic new reference series for children. Atmospheric illustrations, strong photographs and lively text engage and encourage readers to discover for themselves the world around them.

Nature's Green Umbrella	Gibbons, Gail	A colorful, informative look at tropical rain forests. Gibbons has drawn and labeled about 50 animals and numerous plants and trees.
Never Take a Pig to Lunch	Calmenson, <u>Stephanie</u>	A collection of humorous poetry about animals by well-known poets.
Number the Stars	Lowry, Lois	In 1943, during the German occupation of Denmark, ten-year-old Annemarie learns how to be brave and courageous when she helps shelter her Jewish friend from the Nazis.
Oh, The Places You Will Go	Suess, Dr.	All journeys face perils, whether from indecision, from loneliness, or worst of all, from too much waiting. Seuss' hero is up to the challenge, and his odyssey is captured in this story.
Oh, The Things You Can Think	Suess, Dr.	Relates in verse some of the unusual things you can think if only you try.
On My Honor	Bauer, Marion Dane	When his best friend drowns while they are both swimming in a treacherous river that they had promised never to go near, Joel is devastated and terrified at having to tell both sets of parents the terrible consequences of their disobedience.
One Grain of Rice	Demi, <u>Hitz</u>	A reward of one grain of rice doubles day by day into millions of grains of rice when a selfish raja is outwitted by a clever village girl.
Pasquala	Faber, Gail	A young Yokuts Indian girl describes her life on the shores of Old Buena Vista Lake in central California and the events that led her to a Spanish mission outside the world of her people.
Paul Bunyan	Kellogg, <u>Steven</u>	Recounts the life of the extraordinary lumberjack whose unusual size and strength brought him many fantastic adventures.
Pecos Bill	Kellogg, <u>Steven</u>	Incidents from the life of Pecos Bill, from his childhood among the coyotes to his unusual wedding day.
Perfect Pancakes if You Please	Wise, William	King Felix loves pancakes so much that he offers his daughter's hand in marriage to the man who can make the perfect pancake.
Perloo The Bold	Avi	Perloo, a peaceful scholar who has been chosen to succeed Jolaine as leader of the furry underground people called the Montmers, finds himself in danger when Jolaine dies and her evil son seizes control of the burrow.
Piggie Pie	Palatini, <u>Margie</u>	Gritch the witch flies to Old MacDonald's farm for some pigs to make a piggie pie, but when she arrives she can't find a single porker.
Pinduli	Cannon, <u>Janell</u>	Pinduli, a young striped hyena, is hurt by the unkind words of Dog, Lion, and Zebra, but her clever trick in return promotes her clan's survival and spreads harmony throughout the savannah. Includes notes about hyenas and other animals of the African savannah.
Polar Express	Allsburg, <u>Chris Van</u>	A young boy travels to the North Pole on a train that comes to his home on Christmas Eve. He is chosen by Santa to receive the first gift of Christmas, but he loses it (a bell) on the trip home. The bell reappears, however, the next morning under his Christmas tree.
Poppy	Avi	Poppy the deer mouse urges her family to move next to a field of corn big enough to feed them all forever, but Mr. Ocax, a terrifying owl, has other ideas.
Project 00	Kump, Don	Project-00 is an adventurous tale of building character and adapting to unusual situations
Punctuation Takes a Vacation	<u>Pulver</u> , Robin	When all the punctuation marks in Mr. Wright's class decide to take a vacation, the students discover just how difficult life can be without them.
Racing the Sun	Pitts, Paul	Brandon Rogers is like any 12-year-old growing up in suburbia until his elderly and ill grandfather comes to live with his family. Then he learns about his history and heritage and comes to accept that he is Brandon Redhouse . . . and a full-blooded Navajo.

Ralph S. Mouse	Cleary, <u>Beverly</u>	Presents the further adventures of a motorcycle-riding mouse who goes to school and becomes the instigator of an investigation of rodents and the peacemaker for two lonely boys.
Ramona Series	Cleary, Beverly	As she starts the fourth grade, Ramona believes that this year will be "the best year of her life, so far." She can show off her calluses from swinging on the rings in the park; the boy she calls Yard Ape sits across the aisle from her; her teacher praises her writing; and she has a new baby sister, Roberta. But best of all, she has a new best friend, Daisy.
Reason for a Flower, The	Heller, Ruth	Brief text and lavish illustrations explain plant reproduction and the purpose of a flower and present some plants which don't seem to be flowers but are.
Rough Face Girl, The	Martin, <u>Rafe</u>	In this Algonquin Indian version of the Cinderella story, the Rough-Face Girl and her two beautiful but heartless sisters compete for the affections of the Invisible Being.
Runaway Ralph	Cleary, Beverly	Ralph runs away looking for freedom but winds up a prisoner at a summer camp.
Sarah, Plain and Tall	<u>MacLachlan</u> , Patricia	When their father invites a mail-order bride to come live with them in their prairie home, Caleb and Anna are captivated by their new mother and hope that she will stay.
Saving Shiloh	Naylor, <u>Phyllis Reynolds</u>	Sixth-grader Marty and his family try to help their rough neighbor, Judd Travers, change his mean ways, even though their West Virginia community continues to expect the worst of him.
See You Around, Sam	Lowry, <u>Lois</u>	Sam (Anastasia's little brother) is forbidden to wear his plastic fangs in the house and attempts to run away to Alaska, where the walruses will surely accept his oral protrusions.
Series of Unfortunate Events, The	Snicket, Lemony	After the sudden death of their parents, the three Baudelaire children must depend on each other and their wits when it turns out that the distant relative who is appointed their guardian is determined to use any means necessary to get their fortune.
Skylark	MacLachlan, Patricia	When a drought tests the commitment of a mail-order bride from Maine to her new home on the prairie, her stepchildren hope they will be able to remain a family.
Smelly, Stinky Sneaker Contest	Bunting, Eve	The Slam Dunker company is sponsoring a contest-the kid who produces the stinkiest sneakers will win three pairs of prized Slam Dunkers. The footwear must be made smelly by natural means, and Colin, coached by his friend Webster, tries everything to win the prize; no socks, jogging, sleeping with the sneakers on, no washing of feet, etc.
Some Things Are Scary	Heide, <u>Florence Parry</u>	More a list than a story, this story acknowledges the fears that reside in all of us, no matter our age. The majority deal with children's very real concerns (not being chosen for a team, being hugged by someone you don't like, watching too much hair being cut off, discovering your best friend has a different best friend or is moving away, growing up).
Something From Nothing	Gilman, <u>Phoebe</u>	In this retelling of a traditional Jewish folktale, Joseph's baby blanket is transformed into ever smaller items as he grows until there is nothing left--but then Joseph has an idea.
Squanto: Friend of the Pilgrims	<u>Bulla, Clyde Robert</u>	An Indian helps the Pilgrims make peace with Chief Massosoit's tribe.
Star Girl	Spinelli, Jerry	Part fairy godmother, part outcast, part dream-come-true, the star of Spinelli's novel shares many of the mythical qualities as the protagonist of his Maniac Magee. Spinelli poses searching questions about loyalty to one's friends and oneself and leaves readers to form their own answers.
Stinky Cheese Man, The	Scieszka, <u>Jon</u>	Humorous revisions of familiar fairy tales.
Stone Fox	Gardiner, John	In spite of tremendous odds, a ten-year-old boy and his dog are determined to win a dogsled race and the

	<u>Reynolds</u>	five-hundred-dollar prize.
Superfudge	Blume, <u>Judy</u>	Peter describes the highs and lows of life with his younger brother Fudge.
Swamp Angel	Isaacs, <u>Anne</u>	Along with other amazing feats, Angelica Longrider, also known as Swamp Angel, wrestles a huge bear, known as Thundering Tarnation, to save the winter supplies of the settlers in Tennessee.
Tales of a 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Nothing	Blume, <u>Judy</u>	Peter finds his demanding two-year-old brother an ever increasing problem.
Tar Beach	Ringgold, <u>Faith</u>	A young girl dreams of flying above her Harlem home, claiming all she sees for herself and her family.
Testing Miss Malarkey	Finchler, <u>Judy</u>	The new school year brings standardized testing to every school and Miss Malarkey's is no exception. Teachers, students, and even parents are preparing for THE TEST. Even though the grown-ups tell the children not to worry, they're acting kind of strange. The kids are beginning to think that maybe the test is more important than they're being led to believe.
Thank you, Mr. Falker	Polacco, <u>Patricia</u>	Trisha has looked forward to learning to read. But it isn't until she is in fifth grade that she finds a dedicated teacher who helps her to understand and overcome her problem with reading. This powerful literacy story is based on the author's actual experience.
Time for Andrew, A	<u>Hahn, Mary Downing.</u>	When he goes to spend the summer with his great-aunt in the family's old house, eleven-year-old Drew is drawn eighty years into the past to trade places with his great-great-uncle who is dying of diphtheria.
Toad Rage	Gleitzman, <u>Morris</u>	Determined to understand why humans hate cane toads and to improve relations between the species, Limpy embarks on a dangerous trek from his swamp to the Summer Olympics in Sydney, Australia.
Today I Feel Sill and Other Moods That Make My Day	Curtis, <u>Jamie Lee</u>	The many moods of a little girl with red curly hair are described.
Too Many Tamales	Soto, <u>Gary</u>	Maria tries on her mother's wedding ring while helping make tamales for a Christmas family get-together. Panic ensues when hours later, she realizes the ring is missing.
Top Secret	Gardiner, <u>John Reynolds</u>	Despite the disapproval of his parents and his formidable science teacher, nine-year-old Allen determines to do his science project on human photosynthesis.
Tops and Bottoms	Stevens, <u>Janet</u>	Hare turns his bad luck around by striking a clever deal with the rich and lazy bear down the road.
Trouble With Tuck, The	Taylor, <u>Theodore</u>	A young girl trains her blind dog to follow and trust a seeing-eye companion dog.
True Story of the Three Little Pigs, The	Scieszka, <u>Jon</u>	The wolf gives his own outlandish version of what really happened when he tangled with the three little pigs.
Tuck Everlasting	Babbitt, <u>Natalie Hearne,</u> <u>Betsy</u>	The Tuck family is confronted with an agonizing situation when they discover that a ten-year-old girl and a malicious stranger now share their secret about a spring whose water prevents one from ever growing older.
Twits, The	Dahl, <u>Roald</u>	The misadventures of two terrible old people who enjoy playing nasty tricks and are finally outwitted by a family of monkeys.
Two Bad Ants	Allsburg, <u>Chris Van</u>	When two bad ants desert from their colony, they experience a dangerous adventure that convinces them to return to their former safety.
Up and Down Spring	Hurwitz, <u>Johana</u>	This is the third offering about Rory, Derek, and Bolivia. The boys are at Bolivia's house in Ithaca for spring break. Rory tries to hide his fear of flying from the other two, pretending to be sick when Uncle Harold invites them for a spin in his small plane.
Velveteen Rabbit, The	Williams, <u>Marjorie</u>	Thrown out when his owner becomes ill, a toy rabbit who has longed to be real receives his dearest wish.
Very First Americans, The	Ashrose, <u>Cara</u>	Briefly describes some of the hundreds of Indian tribes that lived across America before the arrival of

		Europeans.
War With Grandpa, The	Smith, <u>Robert Kimmel</u>	Upset that he has to give up the room he loves to his grandfather, Pete decides to declare war in an attempt to get it back.
Watchdog and the Coyotes	Wallace, <u>Bill</u>	Some dogs have a bark bigger than their bite. But Sweetie, the Great Dane, can't afford to bark or bite. After three nips and three masters, the next stop is the pound. So when the burglar comes calling, he wags his tail. When the coyotes come prowling, he tries to make peace. How can Sweetie outfox 12 coyotes without sinking his teeth into trouble?
Wayside School Gets A Little Stranger	Sachar, <u>Louis</u>	More humorous episodes from the classroom on the thirtieth floor of Wayside School, where students learn to tango, face the cafeteria's dreaded Mushroom Surprise, and study a hobo during show and tell. One in a series.
Weather Words and What They Mean	Gibbons, <u>Gail</u>	Introduces basic weather terms and concepts.
Week in the Woods, A	<u>Clements, Andrew</u>	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.
Weslandia	Fleischman, Paul	Wesley's garden produces a crop of huge, strange plants which provide him with clothing, shelter, food, and drinks, thus helping him create his own civilization and changing his life.
When Jessie Came Across the Sea	Hest, Amy	A thirteen-year-old Jewish orphan reluctantly leaves her grandmother and immigrates to New York City, where she works for three years sewing lace and earning money to bring Grandmother to the United States, too.
Where do Angels Buy Their Clothes?	Hall, <u>Starr</u>	Starr uses a fun, rhyming cadence to whisk you away to the clouds where Angels ride the Express to their stores in the sky.
Where the Sidewalk Ends	Silverstein, <u>Shel</u>	A boy who turns into a TV set and a girl who eats a whale are only two of the characters in a collection of humorous poetry illustrated with the author's own drawings.
Whispering Cloth, The	Shea, <u>Pegi Deitz</u>	A young girl in a Thai refugee camp in the mid 1970's finds the story within herself to create her own pa'ndau.
Why Banana Split	Walton, Rick	An erratic pun sampler from a veteran riddler. When dinosaur Rex visits (suitcase with travel stickers daintily in claw), everyone and every thing clears out of town: people, cattle, trains, lettuce, and jackhammers.
Wonderful Wizard of Oz, The	Baum, <u>L. Frank</u>	This edition is told in a shorter version of L. Frank Baum's original text
Woodland Mysteries	Schultz, <u>Irene</u>	Suspense novels that encourage reluctant readers.
Word Eater	Amato, Mary	Lerner Chanse, a new student at Cleveland Park Middle School, finds a worm that magically makes things disappear, and she hopes it will help her fit in, or get revenge, at her hated school.
Word Jar, The	DeGross, Monalisa	A gentle, thoughtful story of a young African-American boy's discovery of the power of words. Each time a word strikes Donavan as special (e.g., extraterrestrial, orchestral, perseverance, boisterous); he writes it down on a slip of paper and puts it in a jar.
Wretched Stone, The	Allsburg, <u>Chris Van</u>	A strange glowing stone picked up on a sea voyage captivates a ship's crew and has a terrible transforming effect on them.
Yen-Shen		A Chinese Cinderella story.
You Are Special	Lucado, <u>Max</u>	Punchinello's opinion of himself changes after talking to his creator.

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Supplemental Literature for Grade 4

Title	Author	Summary
18 <sup>th</sup> Emergency, The	Byars, <u>Betsy</u>	When the toughest boy in school swears to kill him, twelve year-old Mouse finds little help from friends and must prepare for this emergency alone.
26 Fairmont Ave.	Paola, <u>Tomie De</u>	Children's author-illustrator Tomie De Paola describes his experiences at home and in school when he was a boy.
A Long Way from Chicago	Peck, Richards	A boy recounts his annual summer trips to rural Illinois with his sister during the Great Depression to visit their larger-than-life grandmother.
A Night Without Stars	Howe, James	When eleven-year-old Maria must go to the hospital for open-heart surgery, she finds strength in her friendship with a badly scarred burn victim.
A Traitor Among the Boys	Reynolds Naylor, Phyllis	Young Peter Hartford doesn't understand his brothers' rivalry with the Malloy sisters, and gladly confides the boys' secret plot against the girls in return for homemade cookies. Hilarious pranks and surprising affections hatch and grow between the Malloy girls and the Hartford boys, until a blizzard ups the ante.
A Wrinkle in Time	L'Engle, Madeleine	Meg and Charles Wallace and Calvin O'Keefe search for Meg's father, a scientist who disappeared while trying to solve the tesseract (wrinkle in time) problem. The story combines theology, fantasy, and science in a story of time and space travel and the power of good over evil.
Aliens Ate my Homework	Coville, Bruce	Rod is surprised when a miniature spaceship lands in his school science project and reveals five tiny aliens, who ask his help in apprehending an interstellar criminal.
Amber Brown Wants Extra Credit	<u>Danziger, Paula</u>	Unhappy over her parents' divorce and her mother's boyfriend Max, nine-year-old Amber finds her schoolwork suffering.
Anne Frank's Story	Ralph, <u>Brenda Lewis</u>	Thirteen-year-old Anne Frank went into hiding from the Nazis with her family in 1942.
Aquamarine	Anshaw, <u>Carol</u>	Imagine how different your life would be if you had made other choices at a crucial turning point in the past. Aquamarine probes that idea through the character of Jesse Austin, a former Olympic swimmer who, at age 17, lost the gold medal in the Mexico City games--a loss that has haunted her ever since.
Arm of the Starfish, The	L'Engle, <u>Madeleine</u>	Adam Eddigton, a brilliant student of marine biology, is thrilled when he is selected to be the summer assistant to Dr. O'Keefe. As he travels to Dr. O'Keefe's laboratory, which is on a small island off the coast of Portugal, he meets the attractive Caroline Cuttter. She gives Adam a mysterious warning about a passenger he will meet on his next flight. When her warning comes true, Adam finds himself in the center of a power struggle between two groups of people--only one of which can be right.
Back Yard Angel	Delton, Judy	Although ten-year-old Angel loves her little brother Rags dearly, the constant responsibility of taking care of him weighs heavily on her young shoulders.

Ballad of the Civil War, The	Stolz, Mary	Weary of the war, a Union lieutenant recalls his life with his twin brother on their family's Virginia plantation and the events that led them to fight on different sides in the Civil War.
Balto and the Great Race	Kimmel, Elizabeth	Recounts how the sled dog Balto saved Nome, Alaska, in 1925 from a diphtheria epidemic by delivering medicine through a raging snowstorm.
Bandit's Moon	Fleischman, Sid	Orphan Annyrose sets off to find her brother in the California gold fields, is held hostage by O. O. Mary, and rescued by the notorious outlaw Joaquin Murietta. Thinking Annyrose is a boy, Murietta spares her life after she promises to teach him to read so that he can find out what is being said about him in newspapers and on posters.
Because of Winn-Dixie	DiCamillo, Kate	When Opal and her father, the preacher, move to Florida, Opal goes into a Winn-Dixie supermarket and comes out with a dog. With the help of her new pal, Opal makes a variety of new, interesting friends. She spends the summer collecting stories about them and thinking about her absent mother.
Biddy Mason The Open Hand	Ferris, <u>Jeri Chase</u>	Recounts the life of Biddy Mason, a slave who found freedom in California in 1856, who practiced the philosophy of sharing as she nursed the sick, delivered babies, and started many philanthropic projects after becoming a wealthy landowner in Los Angeles.
Black Pearl	O'Dell, Scott	Sixteen-year-old Ramon joins his father to dive for pearls in Baja California. Rejecting the village legends about a monster fish called Manta Diablo; Ramon captures the great black pearl of his dreams. But when strange events afflict him, he realizes that there may be truth in the old tales.
Black Star, Bright Dawn	O'Dell, Scott	Bright Dawn never thought she would be taking her father's place in the Iditarod, the challenging and treacherous dogsled race that covers more than 1,000 miles between Anchorage and Nome. Bright Dawn loves the trail, but she comes to know its perils, too, when she has to depend on her lead dog, Black Star, not just for the race, but for her life.
Blue Willow	Gates, Dorris	A little girl, who wants most of all to have a real home and to go to a regular school, hopes that the valley her family has come to, which so resembles the pattern on her treasured blue willow plate, will be their permanent home.
Boggart, The	Cooper, Susan	When Emily and her family return to Canada from their trip to Scotland, where they visited the castle they had inherited, strange things begin to happen. Could it be possible that she has accidentally trapped an invisible, mischievous spirit - the Boggart - in her computer?
Boston Jane	Holm, Jennifer	Schooled in the lessons of etiquette for young ladies of 1854, Miss Jane Peck of Philadelphia finds little use for manners during her long sea voyage to the Pacific Northwest and while living among the American traders and Chinook Indians of Washington Territory.
Bound for Oregon	Leeuwen, <u>Jean Van</u>	The adventures of nine-year-old Mary Ellen Todd and her family as they travel from Arkansas across the Oregon Trail in 1852. Mary Ellen has to deal with not only the difficult and dangerous journey, but also with her feelings about her new stepmother, and her sadness over leaving her beloved grandmother behind in Arkansas.
Boy	Dahl, Roald	Anecdotes from the author's childhood are presented, which include summer vacations in Norway and life at an English boarding school. This author is well known for his book CHARLIE AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY and JAMES AND THE GIANT PEACH. Language reflects the time of the author's youth.

Brian's Winter	Paulsen, Gary	Brian Robeson, a young boy marooned in the wilds of Alaska in the book HATCHET, is the hero of this novel. Paulsen reintroduces the original survival story but imagines that Brian isn't rescued in the fall and therefore must fight the elements of nature in order to survive a freezing winter in the Alaskan wilderness.
Bridge to Terabithia	Paterson, Katherine	The life of a ten-year-old boy in rural Virginia expands when he becomes friends with a newcomer who subsequently meets an untimely death trying to reach their hideaway, Terabithia, during a storm.
Broccoli Tapes, The	Slepian, <u>Jan</u>	During a stay of several months in Hawaii with her family, Sara reports her experiences by tape back to her sixth grade class in Boston, detailing her "adoption" of a wild cat, a friendship with a troubled Hawaiian boy, and the death of a beloved grandmother.
Bud, Not Buddy	Curtis, Christopher Paul	Ten-year-old Bud - "not Buddy" - Caldwell is an orphan on the run during the Great Depression. He escapes from an abusive foster home to find the man he believes to be his father. One dilemma after another uncovers a tough character who perseveres and triumphs in his quest.
Bud, Snow and the Burly Bear-Scare	Wallace, Bill and Carol	A young moose, his mother, and his animal friends' team up to fight a bully of a grizzly bear one long, hard winter, and make friends with some humans in the process.
Bunnacula	Howe, Deborah; Howe, James	When a little rabbit called Bunnacula enters the Monroe household, vegetables begin turning white, and Chester the cat is convinced that Bunnacula is a vampire rabbit who sucks the juices out of vegetables. This is the first in a series of rollicking stories about Harold, Chester, and Bunnacula.
By the Great Horned Spoon	Fleischman, Sid	It is 1849 and Jack Flagg stows away on a ship headed for the California gold fields where he plans to recoup his Auntie Arabella's fortune.
California Gold Rush	Caughey, <u>John Walton</u>	Describes adventures and disasters in the lives of people who rushed to the gold mines of California in 1848 and explains how this event sparked the state's development.
Call of the Wild	London, Jack	As Buck, a mistreated sled dog, roams the Alaskan wilderness and once again experiences the "call of the wild," he finds friendship with a new master.
Castle in the Attic	Winthrop, <u>Elizabeth</u>	Ten-year-old William is so distraught at the idea of his beloved Nanny returning to England that, with the aid of a magic token, he shrinks her to toy size and keeps her in the model castle that had been her parting gift to him.
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory	Dahl, Roald	Charlie Bucket, so poor that he can only afford one candy bar a year, wins candy for life and a tour of Willie Wonka's top-secret chocolate factory. There are four other prizewinners, each a selfish child with a nasty personality. The story is filled with excitement, fantasy, humor, and moral lessons. This selection is the first of a series about Charlie Bucket.
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Charlotte's Web	White, E. B.	A bashful and naive young pig named Wilbur becomes friends with a spider named Charlotte, who saves Wilbur's life by convincing the farmer and community members that he is no ordinary porker.
Class Clown	Hurwitz, Johanna	At first, Lucus Cott enjoys his reputation of being the third-grade class clown. His pranks are usually "good intentions gone wrong," and he vows that he will become a perfect student. However, it is with some difficulty that he learns there is a right and wrong way to use his humor. TEACHER'S PET and CLASS PRESIDENT are from the same series.

Courage in the Sky	Kerby, Mona	Follows the life of the pilot who was the first woman to cross the Atlantic by herself in a plane.
Cricket in Times of Square, The	Selden, <u>George</u>	Music and friendship change the lives of a cricket, a mouse, a cat, and a young boy in New York City's Time Square subway station.
Cuckoo Child, The	Freeman, Suzie	Eleven-year-old Mia refuses to believe that her parents are not coming back after they're reported lost at sea.
Dame Shirley	<u>Rawls</u> , Jim	Relates how a series of letters, written by a woman known as Dame Shirley and published in a San Francisco magazine in 1854 and 1855, were instrumental in inciting the California gold rush.
Danger! Volcanoes	Simon, <u>Seymour</u>	Introduces the facts about volcanoes, what they are, why and how they erupt, different types of volcanoes found around the world, and the effects of some famous eruptions of the twentieth century.
Danny Champion of the World	Dahl, Roald	Danny's mother died when he was only four months old, and since that time he's been raised by his kind and gentle father. Despite missing his mother, Danny is well-adjusted boy who lives with his father in a caravan behind his father's gas station. Danny thinks he knows his father very well, but at age nine, he discovers that his father has been hiding a big secret: he's a poacher. When Danny uncovers his dad's secret, he is eager to join in the fun.
Daring to be Abigail	Vail, Rachel	During her summer at Camp Nashaquitsa, eleven-year-old Abby tries to reinvent herself, while worrying about her mother, missing her dead father, and getting to know her equally self-conscious bunkmates
Dear Mr. Henshaw	Cleary, Beverly	Leigh Botts, now a sixth-grader, began writing to his favorite author, Boyd Henshaw, when Leigh was in the second grade. The reader journeys with Leigh and learns how he adjusts to new situations, including the absence of his father from the home.
Dew Drop Dead	Howe, James	While setting up a homeless shelter at the church, Sebastian and his friends, Corrie and David, solve the mystery of a dead man found in an abandoned inn.
Digger	<u>Pratchett</u> , Terry	A group of small creatures called gnomes, whose families have lived for generations hidden in a department store, are forced to flee to a country quarry, where they struggle against harsh weather, destructive humans, and dissension among themselves.
Donavan's World Jar	Degross, <u>Monalisa</u>	When the jar that Donavan keeps his word collection in fills up, he finds a special way to give his words away and get something wonderful in return.
Donner Party	Calabro, Marian	The Westward Movement to California was a journey that required bravery, skill, and strong determination. One of the most remembered trips was the ill-fated journey of the Donner Party. The journey started in the spring of 1846 and ended when the party became trapped and snowbound in the wild Sierras. Many died, and those who survived did so at a tremendous cost.
Door in the Wall, The	De Angeli, Marguerite	In this tale of the Middle Ages, Robin, son of Sir Jon de Bureford, is crippled by a strange disease. He is rescued by Brother Luke, who opens Robin's eyes to the many doors in life.
Double Fudge	Blume, Judy	Five-year-old Farley Drexel Hatcher, better known as "Fudge," and his older brother, Peter, return for another adventure. Here Fudge develops an obsession with money (and what money can buy) that continually embarrasses Peter.
Dragons in the Waters	L'Engle, <u>Madeleine</u>	A thirteen-year-old boy's trip to Venezuela with his cousin culminates in murder and the discovery of an unexpected bond with an Indian tribe, dating from the days of Simão Bolívar.
Dreadful Acts	Ardagh, Philip	Twelve-year-old Eddie Dickens survives encounters with an escape artist in a runaway hearse's coffin,

		a hot air balloon bearing the escape artist's lovely assistant, a gas explosion, and a jewel thief on the run.
Eat your Poison, Dear	Howe, James	Teen sleuth Sebastian Barth works to solve another mystery when his school is flooded with cases of food poisoning. Could the cafeteria's cook, Miss Swille, be out to kill the students?
Ella Enchanted	Levine, Gail Carson	This fairy tale adaptation presents Ella (Cinderella) with a very unusual problem. A gift from one of her godmothers was obedience, and now Ella's life is miserable because she must follow every command, even if it is contrary to her wishes. When a young prince appears, Ella hopes that he can help her break the spell that holds her.
Ellen Tebbits	Cleary, Beverly	Eight-year-old Ellen Tebbits and new-girl-in-town Austine Allen form a fast friendship when they bond over the embarrassing fact that both of their mothers make them wear long woolen underwear all winter. As their friendship blossoms, the girls support each other in school.
Enchantress from the Stars	Engdahl, Sylvia Louise	This thought-provoking novel combines science fiction with fantasy and tells the story of contact on the planet Andrecia between three civilizations. Narratives from members of each group give the reader different versions of this interaction.
Encyclopedia Brown and the Case of the Disgusting Sneakers	Sobol, <u>Donald J.</u>	A stolen teacup. An extra set of footprints. Four very strange words. A pirates treasure. .And a race to find a cheater in Idaville's annual disgusting sneaker contest! These are just some of the ten brain-twisting mysteries that Encyclopedia Brown must solve by using his famous computer like brain.
Esperanza Rising	<u>Pam Muñoz Ryan</u>	Esperanza and her mother are forced to leave their life of wealth and privilege in Mexico to go work in the labor camps of Southern California, where they must adapt to the harsh circumstances facing Mexican farm workers on the eve of the Great Depression.
Exploring the Night Sky	Moore, <u>Patrick</u>	In this title the author, a veteran astronomy writer, describes how to use binoculars for astronomical observation. He explains basic astronomy and the selection of binoculars, and then discusses the stars, clusters, nebulae, and galaxies that await the observer.
Eye of the Storm	Crosson-Tower, <u>Cynthia</u>	This Civil War history is based on the writings of a Union soldier who was captured and sent to Andersonville, the infamous Confederate prison where thousands died. Sneden survived the war and his papers reside in the Virginia Historical Society.
Flunking of Joshua J. Bates, The	Shreve, Susan	Driving home from the beach on Labor Day, Joshua receives some shocking news from his mother: he must repeat third grade.
Forgotten Door, The	Key, Alexander	The boy from another world learns the best and worst of Earth's civilization as he searches for the way back to his own planet.
Fourth Grade Rats	Spinelli, Jerry	On the first day of school, Suds wishes he could still be in the third grade where, according to school tradition, he would be a "Third Grade Angel" rather than a "Fourth Grade Rat." In order to be a true fourth grader, Suds is now supposed to not being afraid of spiders, not cry, push the younger kids off the swings, and say "no" to his mother. Is this really what being a true fourth grader is all about?
Freaky Friday	Rodgers, Mary	A thirteen-year-old girl gains a much more sympathetic understanding of her relationship with her mother when she has to spend a day in her mother's body.
Friendship, The	Taylor, Mildred D.	This short novel relates the circumstances of a confrontation between a white storekeeper and an elderly African American in rural Mississippi in the 1930s. Four observers witness the effects that racism and peer pressure have on the tenuous friendship between the two men. The dialogue uses language reflecting the times, and the story climaxes in violence, depicting a violation of human rights.

		An author's note explains the origin of the story.
Frindle	Clements, Andrew	When he decides to turn his fifth-grade teacher's love of the dictionary around on her, clever Nick Allen invents a new word and begins a chain of events that quickly move beyond his control.
Fudge-a-Mania	Blume, Judy	The adventures of Peter Hatcher and his troublemaking little brother, Fudge. In this novel, Peter is disgusted when his parents announce they will be spending three weeks in Maine with his classmate and sworn enemy, Sheila Tubman.
Gathering Blue	Lowry, Lois	Kira's world of the future is almost medieval, filled with violence, bleakness, anger and hostility. She has the unusual skill of embroidery and is given the honorable job of Threader. She enlists her friend Matt to go out into the unknown world to look for blue thread. This powerful story is bleak at times, but it also portrays hope, change, and enlightenment.
Gentle Ben	Morey, Walt	Traces the friendship between a boy and a bear in the rugged Alaskan Territory.
Ghost Hotel	Weinberg, Larry	Mysteriously drawn to an Indiana museum, a twelve-year-old paralyzed girl encounters ghosts who return her to a former life, where she attempts to save the son of a freed slave traveling by Underground Railroad in Kentucky.
Ghosts Don't Eat Potato Chips	Dadey, Debbie	Eddie's Aunt Mathilda won't eat potato chips. She says her deceased husband, Jasper, loved them and they probably killed him! Now spooky things are happening in Aunt Mathilda's house.
Goblins in the Castle	Coville, Bruce	What moans at midnight in Toad-in-a-Cage Castle? Toad-in-a-Cage Castle was filled with secrets -- secrets such as the hidden passages that led to every room, the long stairway that wound down to the dungeon, and the weird creature named Igor who lived there. But it was the mysterious night noises that bothered William the most -- the strange moans that drifted through the halls of the castle where he was raised.
Golden Compass, The	Pullman, Philip	Lyra, an orphan being raised by the Scholars of Jordan College, is a precocious child who lives a life of adventure on the roofs and in the catacombs of the college. A strange encounter one evening with her uncle and the continued disappearance of young children from the country thrust Lyra into a mystery and a quest found only in fantasy stories. This book is the first in a trilogy of high fantasy; the others are THE SUBTLE KNIFE and THE AMBER SPYGLASS.
Granny Torrelli Makes Soup	Creech, Sharon	Twelve-year-old Rosie and Bailey, the boy next door, have been best friends since infancy. When their friendship is strained because of a new girl in their neighborhood, Granny Torrelli knows just how to smooth over the rough spots.
Hannah of Fairfield	Leeuwen, <u>Jean Van</u>	For almost nine-year-old Hannah Perley of Fairfield, Connecticut, growing up means facing new challenges, from saving the life of a baby lamb to helping the family prepare to send her brother Ben to join the colonial soldiers in the American Revolutionary War.
Harriet the Spy	Fitzhugh, Louise	Intensely curious and intelligent, eleven-year-old Harriet M. Welsch aspires to become a writer and begins by keeping a secret notebook of her observations. When her friends discover the notebook, learn about her spying on them, and read her painfully blunt comments, they decide to teach Harriet a lesson.
Hatchet	Paulsen, Gary	After a plane crash, thirteen-year-old Brian survives 54 days in the wilderness, initially with only the aid of a hatchet given to him by his mother. THE RIVER is the sequel; BRIAN'S WINTER is an alternate ending to the story; and BRIAN'S RETURN chronicles what happens three years after Brian's

		wilderness ordeal.
Heartbeat	Creech, Sharon	Life has rhythms in the life of twelve-year-old Annie, who loves to run, as she ponders the many progressions of adolescence.
Henry and Beezus	Cleary, Beverly	Henry Huggins is determined to buy a shiny red bike to outdo that show-off Scooter McCarthy. But selling bubble gum to the kids at school to earn money only brings Henry trouble. His good friend Beezus and her little sister, Ramona, are determined to help Henry earn the money for the bicycle.
Hey, New Kid	Duffey, Betsy	Third-grader Jeremy dreads going to a new school when his family moves, so he decides to reinvent himself, hoping his new classmates will be impressed.
Holes	Sachar, Louis	Young Stanley Yelnats is sent to a correctional boot camp for a crime he did not commit. Through a series of flashbacks and subplots, the reader solves the puzzle of Camp Green Lake. One of these flashbacks reveals a racially motivated murder. This young adult novel is very useful for studying prediction, foreshadowing, and plot structure.
Holy Enchilada!	Oliver, Lin	Efforts to impress a visiting student from Japan cause Hank to hide his dyslexia while the gang makes enchiladas for a Multi-Cultural Day lunch, and Hank is afraid he was very wrong about the amount of chili powder called for in the recipe.
Homeless Bird	Whelan, Gloria	When a brief (arranged) marriage ends with the death of her young husband, thirteen-year-old Koly is left to find her own life in modern India. After she is cast out of her home, in timeworn tradition, this young woman sets out to forge her own exceptional future, and a life comes together for Koly.
Homesick: My Own Story	Fritz, Jean	The author tells of her youth in 1920s China with the use of family photographs. She recounts detailed memories of picnics on the Great Wall, holidays in the foreign compound, her rebelliousness in British school, and her reaction to being the object of hostility as a foreigner.
Honus and Me	Gutman, Dan	Twelve-year-old Joe, while cleaning out Miss Young's attic, finds the world's most valuable baseball card picturing Honus Wagner. Joe falls asleep wrestling with the thought of telling her about the card. Then he wakes up in the night to see Wagner in his bedroom, and they travel back in time to the 1909 World Series.
Horrible Harry at Halloween	Kline, Suzy	The students in Miss Mackle's third-grade class enjoy a day of Halloween surprises, including Harry's unusual costume.
How to Eat Fried Worms	Rockwell, Thomas	Billy will win \$50 if he wins the bet he made that he will eat 15 worms, one per day. This story reflects contemporary language.
Hundred Dresses, The	Estes, Eleanor	Wanda wears the same faded dress to school every day but claims to have 100 dresses at home. Her classmates tease her and make fun of her name and her accent. After she moves away, they feel shame and guilt in knowing that they were unkind to her.
If that Breathes Fire, We're Toast	Stewart, Jennifer	When eleven-year-old Rick and his mother move from San Diego to Tucson he is not too happy about the change, but when they get a fire-breathing, time-traveling dragon to replace their broken furnace, his new life starts to get more interesting.
If You're Not Here, Please Raise Your Hand	Dakos, Kallie	The 38 poems in this collection capture the ups and downs of elementary school life with uncanny accuracy.
In Search of the Grand Canyon	Fraser, Mary Ann	In 1869 Major John Wesley Powell and nine other men set out to explore the unmapped areas of the Colorado River. They were the first people known to survive a trip down the rapids and through the

		sheer canyons. This account of their story is based on Powell's journals.
In-Between Days, The	Bunting, Eve	George thinks that his father's girlfriend, Caroline Best, is trying to take the place of his dead mother. He wishes she would just stay on the mainland, far away from his family's island home. So he plays a mean trick which he hopes will send her away forever. When George realizes how much his father and younger brother are hurt by his actions, he begins to rethink his feelings about Caroline.
Indian in the Cupboard, The	Cole, Brock	A nine-year-old boy receives a plastic Indian, a cupboard, and a little key for his birthday and finds himself involved in adventure when the Indian comes to life in the cupboard and befriends him.
Island Boy	Cooney, Barbara	Matthias, the youngest of 12 children, lives on an island in Maine and learns the island's secrets. As a grown man, he sails to faraway places but always returns to his beloved island.
Island of the Blue Dolphins	O'Dell, Scott	Left alone on a beautiful but isolated island off the coast of California, a young Indian girl spends eighteen years, not only merely surviving through her enormous courage and self-reliance, but also finding a measure of happiness in her solitary life.
James and the Giant Peach	Dahl, Roald	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.
Jennifer, Hecate, Macbeth, William McKinley, and Me, Elizabeth	Konigsburg, E. L.	Two fifth-grade girls, one of whom is the first black child in a middle-income suburb, play at being apprentice witches.
Jeremy Thatcher, Dragon Hatcher	Neville, Emily	Fourteen-year-old Dave and his lawyer dad never seem to see eye-to-eye. In fact, they are always arguing, which upsets Dave's mother causing her to have an asthma attack. Then Dave finds Cat, a stray, and adopts him. On his outings with Cat, Dave meets new friends and learns a lot about himself and his father.
Jim Abbott: He Beat the Odds	Johnson, Rick	A biography of the one-handed pitcher of the California Angels baseball team.
Johnny Appleseed	Aliki	Legendary Johnny Appleseed traveled west with a pouch of apple seeds, stopping to befriend and visit Indians and settlers and planting the seeds along the way.
Journal of Wong Ming-Chung, The	Yep, Lawrence	A young Chinese boy nicknamed Runt records his experiences in a journal as he travels from southern China to California in 1852 to join his uncle during the Gold Rush.
Judy Moody Saves the World	McDonald, Megan	When Judy Moody gets serious about protecting the environment, her little brother Stink thinks she is overdoing it, but she manages to inspire her third grade class to undertake an award-winning, environment-saving project.
Junie B. Jones is (almost) a Flower Girl	Park, Barbara	Six-year-old Junie B. is disappointed to find out that her aunt has asked someone else to be the flower girl at her wedding.
Kensuke's Kingdom	Morpurgo, <u>Michael</u>	When he and his family set off on an around-the-world sailing trip, a boy named Michael thinks he is in for the adventure of a lifetime. However, he gets more adventure than he ever imagined when he and his dog, Stella, fall overboard, eventually washing ashore on a small island.
Kid in the Red Jacket, The	Park, Barbara	When ten-year-old Howard has to move with his family to a distant state, he is forced to live on a street named Chester Pewe, adjust to a new school, and get used to being shadowed by the little girl in a

		nearby house.
King of the Wind	Henry, <u>Marguerite</u>	Sham and the stable boy Agba travel from Morocco to France to England where, at last, Sham's majesty is recognized and he becomes the "Godolphin Arabian," ancestor of the most superior Thoroughbred horses.
Later Gator	Yep, Laurence	Teddy finds that his imagination has gotten him into trouble once more, when he buys his younger brother Bobby an alligator for his birthday.
Library Card, The	Miller, William	The lives of four young people in different circumstances are changed by their encounters with books.
Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe, The	Lewis, C. S.	Four English schoolchildren find their way through the back of a wardrobe into the magic land of Narnia and assist its ruler, the golden lion Aslan, to triumph over the White Witch, who has cursed the land with eternal winter.
Little House in the Big Woods	Wilder, <u>Laura Ingalls</u>	A year in the life of two young girls growing up on the Wisconsin frontier, as they help their mother with the daily chores, enjoy their father's stories and singing, and share special occasions when they get together with relatives or neighbors.
Little House on the Prairie	Wilder, Laura Ingalls	In this book, the second in the Little House series, the Ingalls family moves by wagon from Wisconsin to the prairies of the Kansas territory. After many days of travel, the family finds just the right spot to build their new home. Life on the prairie can be difficult, but the pioneering family meets each hardship with resolve and unity.
Little Oh	Melmed, <u>Laura Krauss</u>	A mother tells her son the story of Little Oh, a girl made of paper who becomes separated from her human mother.
Long Way From Chicago	Peck, Richard	A boy recounts his annual summer trips with his sister to rural Illinois to visit their larger-than-life grandmother during the Great Depression. Each chapter revisits an adventure or awareness experienced during a memorable year.
Love That Dog	Creech, Sharon	Told in free verse, this story tells of a boy who comes to enjoy poetry through a wise teacher's introduction. His reluctance becomes interest, then enjoyment, and finally a passion for reading and writing poetry. Through poetry he is finally able to communicate his feelings and thoughts.
Lucy Whipple	Cushman, Karen	Desiring to return to Massachusetts, Lucy tries desperately to change her mother's mind about working in the gold fields of California. Writing helps Lucy to understand her conflicting feelings about this wild land.
M.C. Higgins, The Great	Hamilton, Virginia	As a slag heap, the result of strip mining, creeps closer to his house in the Ohio hills, fifteen-year-old M. C. is torn between trying to get his family away and fighting for the home they love.
Mama, I Want to Sing	Higginsen, <u>Vy</u>	In the late 1940s and early 1950s Doris Winter follows her dream to be a singer, eventually rising from church choir member to pop star.
Maniac Magee	Spinelli, Jerry	Maniac is an "on-his-own" kid searching for a place that he can call home. When he sees no difference between the people of the East Side and the West Side, others begin to realize that Jeffrey "Maniac" Magee is truly the "stuff" from which legends are made.
Matilda	Dahl, Roald	Matilda applies her untapped mental powers to rid the school of the evil, child-hating headmistress, Miss Trunchbull, and restore her nice teacher, Miss Honey, to financial security.
Midwife's Apprentice,	Cushman, Karen	Set in medieval England, this is the story of a homeless, orphaned girl named Brat whose life changes

The		when she becomes an assistant to a midwife named Jane.
Million Dollar Shot, The	Gutman, Dan	Eleven-year-old Eddie, who lives in a Louisiana trailer park with his widowed mother, gets a chance to win a million dollars by sinking a foul shot at the National Basketball Association finals.
Miss Hickory	Bailey, Carolyn Sherwin	Miss Hickory, "a country woman whose body was an applewood twig and whose head was a hickory nut," must find a way to survive the fierce New Hampshire winter when her human caretaker leaves to spend the season in Boston.
Miss Rumphius	Cooney, Barbara	Great-Aunt Alice Rumphius promises her grandfather that when she grows up she will live by the sea, visit faraway places, and do something to make the world more beautiful. She accomplishes the first two but is stumped by the third until she becomes the Lupine Lady.
Misty Chincoteague	Henry, <u>Marguerite</u>	Paul and his sister Maureen's determination to own a pony from the herd on Chincoteague Island, Virginia, are greatly increased when the Phantom and her colt are among the ponies rounded up for the yearly auction.
Mouse and the Motorcycle, The	Cleary, Beverly	When Keith and his family vacation at the Mountain View Inn, a little hotel mouse called Ralph learns to ride one of Keith's toy motorcycles. Boy and mouse become fast friends, and their adventures will bring laughter to the young reader. California author and setting.
Mr. Poppers Penguins	Atwater, Richard	Mr. Popper is a house painter who lives in a small American town with his wife and two children. It has always been Mr. Popper's dream to travel to Antarctica and see real live penguins, so when he hears that an explorer named Admiral Drake is going on an Antarctic expedition, Mr. Popper writes him a letter. Admiral Drake responds by sending Mr. Popper his very own penguin. As the story progresses, Mr. Popper soon has a family of 10 penguins.
Mrs. Mack	Polacco, <u>Patricia</u>	Patricia has waited all of her ten years for this summer -- she is finally going to learn to ride a horse! But when her father drives her to a shabby stable in run-down Dogpatch, she can't believe her eyes. The tough-looking kids and scary old man next door don't help. How can she ride here? Then along comes Mrs. Mack with her snakeskin boots and big Southern smile. She knows everything about horses -- and kids. And, sure enough, Pat learns more than she ever imagined -- not just about horses, but people too.
Music of Dolphins, The	Hesse, Karen	At the age of four, Mila fell from a refugee craft and was lost in the ocean between Cuba and Florida. Until her rescue eight years later, she lived as a wild child of the sea. As Mila now learns to communicate and deal with the complexities of human feelings, she develops an understanding of a strange new world--and the human soul.
My Side of the Mountain	George, Jean Craighead	Sam Gibley does what many young people dream of doing—he builds a treehouse in the Catskill Mountains, where he lives alone for a year. The story features his struggle for survival and his ultimate realization that he needs human companionship. The sequel to this selection is THE OTHER SIDE OF THE MOUNTAIN.
Night of the Twisters	Ruckman, Ivy	A fictional account of the night freakish and devastating tornadoes hit Grand Island, Nebraska, as experienced by a twelve-year-old, his family, and friends.
Night Owls, The	Denslow, Sharon Phillips	William and his aunt, both night owls, stay up late and experience the wonder of a midsummer night.

Nothing's Fair in 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Declements, <u>Barthe</u>	Initially repelled by an overweight new student who has serious home problems, the fifth grade class finally learns to accept her.
Number the Stars	Lowry, Lois	In 1943, during the German occupation of Denmark, ten-year-old Annemarie learns how to be courageous when she helps to shelter her Jewish friend from the Nazis.
Off and Running	Soto, Gary	Sensible and smart Miata is running for class president with her best friend, Anna, as her running mate. The girls are shocked to discover that they will be campaigning against Rudy and Alex--the class clowns. While Miata and Anna are serious, Rudy and Alex are loud and funny, and thus get more attention. Are Miata and Anna correct in thinking that the only way they can win the election is to change their personalities to be more like Rudy and Alex?
Old Yeller	Gipson, Fred	The emotional story of the relationship of Travis with his dog, Old Yeller, is set in the Texas hill country in the late 1860s. The novel focuses on the dog's devotion to its duty and its master and on Travis's heartbreaking realization that he must kill Yeller when the dog becomes rabid. The language in the story reflects the times.
Otherwise Known as Sheila the Great	Blume, Judy	A summer in Tarrytown, N.Y., is a lot of fun for ten-year-old Sheila even though her friends make her face up to some self-truths she doesn't want to admit.
Out of the Dust	Hesse, Karen	After an accident that kills her mother and newborn brother and renders her own hands useless, thirteen-year-old Billie Jo struggles to survive. The growing despair and devastation during Oklahoma's dust bowl years of the Great Depression are powerfully depicted in free verse format.
Patty Reed's Doll	<u>Laurgaard</u> , Rachel K.	A wooden doll recalls the hope with which a group of pioneers begins their journey and the ordeals they face as they travel from Springfield, Illinois, to California.
Pet-Sitters, The	Schecter, <u>Ellen</u>	When ten-year-old DeVonn and his friends begin a pet-sitting business, DeVonn ends up caring for a very unusual cat which disappears while her owner is away.
Pirates Don't Wear Pink Sunglasses	Dadey, Debbie	The kids of the Baily School return for another run-in with their increasingly bizarre teachers. In this story, the kids go to a camp where they believe the director is a werewolf and another staff member is a pirate.
Pleasing the Ghost	Creech, Sharon	Dennis has been seeing ghosts, lots of ghosts, ever since the death of his father. Most of the ghosts come and go, but then Dennis receives a visit from the ghost of his Uncle Arvie. Uncle Arvie has lots of plans for Dennis: he needs his help to find a lost love letter, finish a painting, and dig up a buried treasure for Dennis's Aunt Julia, who is Arvie's widow. Dennis loves being haunted by his uncle but wonders if the ghost of his own father will ever come to visit him.
Pony Express, The	Kroll, Steven	A lively, fast-paced text and soft-colored oil painting illustrations bring the excitement of the Pony Express to the reader. Although this form of mail express lasted only 18 months, it was an important step in establishing postal service to the West.
PS Longer Letter Later	Danziger, Paula; Martin, Ann M.	This novel reflects the letters between two seventh-grade best friends after one moves away. The letters focus on everyday issues and explore parent-teen relationships and divorce.
Rabbit Hill	Lawson, Robert	The small animals who live at Rabbit Hill in the Connecticut countryside are excited when they hear that "big folks are coming" to inhabit the empty house on the property. The animals hope that the big folks will keep a proper garden to help maintain their lifestyle and watch carefully as the moving efforts begin.

Ramona and Her Father	Cleary, Beverly	Ramona is now in second grade and life at home changes when her father loses his job. She begins to see the important role that she plays in her family.
Ramona the Pest	Cleary, Beverly	Ramona is now in second grade and life at home changes when her father loses his job. She begins to see the important role that she plays in her family.
Ramona's World	Cleary, Beverly	Follows the adventures of nine-year-old Ramona at home with big sister Beezus and baby sister Roberta and at school in Mrs. Meacham's class.
Rascal	North, <u>Sterling</u>	The author recalls his carefree life in a small midwestern town at the close of World War I, and his adventures with his pet raccoon, Rascal.
Real Thief	Steig, William	When Gawain the goose is deserted by his friends after being unjustly convicted of stealing from his beloved king, the real thief is tortured by his conscience.
Rescue Josh McGuire	Mikaelsen, <u>Ben</u>	When thirteen-year-old Josh runs away to the mountains of Montana with an orphaned bear cub destined for laboratory testing, they both must fight for their lives in a sudden snowstorm.
Return of the Indian	Banks, <u>Lynne Reid</u>	A year after he sends his Indian friend, Little Bear, back into the magic cupboard, Omri decides to bring him back, only to find that he is close to death and in need of help. Sequel to "The Indian in the Cupboard."
Return to Holiday Inn	Howe, James	In this sequel to "Howliday Inn," the Monroe family pets are again boarded at Chateau Bow-Wow, where some spooky goings-on serve as a distraction from the kennel's poor food.
Revolutionary War on Wednesday	Osborne, Mary	Using their magic tree house, Jack and Annie travel back to the time of the American Revolution and help General George Washington during his famous crossing of the Delaware River.
Ribsy	Cleary, Beverly	Separated from his owner, Henry Huggins, in a shopping center parking lot, an ordinary city dog begins a string of bewildering adventures.
Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry	Taylor, <u>Mildred D.</u>	A black family living in Mississippi during the Depression of the 1930s is faced with prejudice and discrimination which its children do not understand.
Roller Skates	Sawyer, Ruth	Relates the incredible adventures of Professor William Waterman Sherman who in 1883 sets off in a balloon across the Pacific, survives the volcanic eruption of Krakatoa, and is eventually picked up in the Atlantic.
Runaway Ralph	Cleary, Beverly	Ralph runs away looking for freedom but winds up a prisoner at a summer camp.
Sable	Hesse, Karen	When a stray dog shows up on the front porch of her Vermont farmhouse, Tate Marshall is delighted because she has always wanted a dog. But when Sable, named for her dark, silky fur, starts roaming, the neighbors become irate, and Sable has to go. Tate, however, has her heart set on getting her beloved dog back.
Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes	Coerr, Eleanor B.	This tale is based on the true story of Sadako Sasaki, who is hospitalized with the "atom bomb disease," leukemia. She races against time to fold 1,000 paper cranes, an act which according to legend will make her well again.
Sarah, Plain and Tall	MacLachlan, Patricia	This short novel, rich in language, images, and emotions, tells the story of a nineteenth-century "mail order bride" who comes to the vast prairie and decides to stay as wife to papa, and mother to young Caleb and Anna.
Saving Shiloh	Naylor, <u>Phyllis Reynolds</u>	Sixth-grader Marty and his family try to help their rough neighbor, Judd Travers, change his mean ways, even though their West Virginia community continues to expect the worst of him.

Scatherine Called Birdy	Cushman, Karen	The thirteen-year-old daughter of an English country knight keeps a journal in which she records the events of her life, particularly her longing for adventures beyond the usual role of women and her efforts to avoid being married off.
Secret Indian	Banks, Lynn	In this third book about Omri and his magic cupboard, Omri and his friend Patrick must risk grownups' discovering their secret when they find themselves in need of a friend's toy plastic doctors to save wounded people from the dangerous world of the Old West which the cupboard enables them to enter.
Shiloh	Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds	When Marty finds a lost beagle in the hills behind his West Virginia home, he tries to hide the dog from his family and from its real owner, who is a mean-spirited man. Convinced that he's Shiloh's last chance, Marty risks his own safety for the puppy's sake and strikes a bargain with an unlikely partner. This book is the first in a trilogy; SHILOH SEASON and SAVING SHILOH.
Sideway Stories from Wayside School	Sachar, <u>Louis</u>	Humorous episodes from the classroom on the thirtieth floor of Wayside School, which was accidentally built sideways with one classroom on each story.
Sign of the Beaver, The	Speare, <u>Elizabeth George</u>	In late 18th-century Maine, 12-year-old Matthew is left alone in his family's newly built cabin for several weeks while his father returns to Massachusetts to fetch the entire family. A series of mishaps leads to Matthew's rescue by the chief of the Beaver tribe. Over a period of months, Matthew teaches an Indian boy, Attean, English, while he learns a great deal about hunting. When the tribe plans to travel, Matthew must make the most challenging decision of his life: to join them, or continue waiting for his family to return. A stirring pioneer tale of perseverance and cooperation.
Snow Angel, The	O'Nan, <u>Stewart</u>	This novel from is narrated by the now adult Arty Parkinson, who reflects on the painful winter of 1974 and the death of his beloved babysitter Annie Marchand. The stories of a young man's unraveling family and the circumstances surrounding the mystery of Annie's death work as a backdrop to this tale of love and loss.
Socks	Woodruff, Elvira	During a backyard slumber party, five children are transported back in time and find themselves crossing the Delaware with George Washington and his troops. This chapter book brings the conditions of the Revolutionary War to life for the young reader.
Soldier X	Wulffson, Don	In 1943 sixteen-year-old Erik experiences the horrors of war when he is drafted into the German army and sent to fight on the Russian front. The story is told in first-person narrative.
Somebody Loves You, Mr. Hatch	Spinelli, Eileen	An anonymous valentine box of chocolates mistakenly delivered to his address changes the life of the unsociable Mr. Hatch, turning him into a laughing friend who helps and appreciates all his neighbors.
Souder	Armstrong, William	Angry and humiliated when his sharecropper father is jailed for stealing food for his family, a young African American boy grows in courage and understanding by learning to read and through his relationship with his devoted dog Souder.
Stage Fright	Hart, Ellen	In a darkened Minneapolis theatre, sleuth Jane Lawless found aging actor Torald Werness dead--impaled on part of the set he had just performed on. She also discovers she's a prime suspect. Yet Jane believes the motive for the murder lies within the dead man's family, a glamorous Midwestern theatrical dynasty, whose talented members give their best performances in real life. So she and her uninhibited crony Cordelia start digging into the family dirt, and discover a tangled web of deceit.
Stone Fox	Gardiner, John Reynolds	In order to save his grandfather's Wyoming farm, Little Willy enters the National Dog Sled Races hoping to win the money to pay her back taxes. His formidable opponent is Stone Fox, who has never lost a race. The courageous Little Willy and his gallant dog, Searchlight, give the race their best try.

Strider	Cleary, Beverly	This sequel to DEAR MR. HENSHAW starts a few years after that book's conclusion and is told via the diary entries of the now 14-year-old Leigh Botts. A more confident and introspective writer than he was in the sixth grade, Leigh tells of his continuing friendship with Barry, the changes that have come into his parents' lives, his growing interest in a lovely classmate named Geneva, and his adoption of the stray dog he names Strider.
Stuart Little	White, E. B.	A heroic little mouse with very human qualities travels across the American countryside and finds himself involved in one adventure after another as he searches for his lost friend.
Stubby and the Puppy Pack	Wallace, Nikki	Kikki the cat is lonely when her best friend moves away, but the other cats in the neighborhood don't want to be her friend.
Summer of My German Soldier	Greene, Bette	Set in rural Arkansas during World War II, this story tells of an unlikely friendship between a twelve-year-old Jewish girl and a German prisoner of war. The girl goes through some shattering experiences as she searches for the strength to survive in a bitterly unhappy family. The novel depicts abusive family relationships.
Summer of the Swans	Byars, Betsy Cromer	Fourteen-year-old Sara is jolted out of a period of discontent by the disappearance of her mentally handicapped ten-year-old brother, Charlie. She gains new insight into herself and her family as she forgets about her self-perceived miseries and realizes her love for Charlie.
Superfudge	Blume, Judy	Peter describes the highs and lows of life with his younger brother, Fudge.
Taking Sides	Soto, Gary	Fourteen-year-old Lincoln Mendoza, an aspiring basketball player, must come to terms with his divided loyalties when he moves from the Hispanic inner city to a white suburban neighborhood.
Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing	Blume, Judy	Nine-year-old Peter Hatcher's life is full of problems, most of them caused by his younger brother, Fudge. In fact, Fudge's antics garner so much of his parent's attention that Peter sometimes feels like they don't care about him at all--like he is a "nothing." Luckily, Peter finds a way to prove to himself that he is indeed a very important, and well-loved, member of his family.
Teddy Bear's Scrapbook	Howe, Deborah	One boring rainy afternoon Teddy Bear decides to bring out his scrapbook, which contains photographs and newspaper clippings from his long and illustrious past.
There's a Girl in the Boy's Bathroom	Sachar, <u>Louis</u>	An unmanageable, but lovable, eleven-year-old misfit learns to believe in himself when he gets to know the new school counselor, who is a sort of misfit too.
Tiger Rising, The	Dicamillo, <u>Kate</u>	Life changes for 12-year-old Rob Horton when he finds a caged tiger in the woods behind the Kentucky Star Motel. On the very same day, he meets Sistine Bailey and learns how to trust another person for the first time in his life.
Toothpaste Millionaire, The	Merrill, <u>Jean</u>	A young girl describes how her school friend made over a million dollars by creating and marketing a cheaper and better toothpaste.
Tornado	Byars, Betsy Cromer	Waiting out a tornado in a storm cellar becomes a time to share stories of a dog that was blown into a farmhand's life. In each chapter the farmhand tells one story about Tornado the dog and his amazing feats.
Treasure in a Stream	Hoobler, Dorothy	The lives of ten-year-old Amy and the members of her farming family are changed forever when gold is discovered on Mr. Sutter's land.
Trouble at Betts Pets	Easton, Kelly	A number of changes are taking place in fifth-grader Aaron's life: business at the family pet shop is

		declining, forcing his parents to consider selling the store; luxury condominiums are going up on the land that houses a community garden, displacing the homeless woman who lives there; and Aaron gets to know his seemingly perfect classmate Sharon when she begins to tutor him in math.
Trouble with Tuck, The	Taylor, <u>Theodore</u>	Helen and her dog Tuck are special friends--Tuck has saved her life more than once. Now Tuck is going blind, and it is Helen's turn. She is determined not to let Tuck's life be ended or even limited by his blindness.
Tuck Everlasting	Babbitt, Natalie	The Tuck family has become ageless by drinking from a magic spring. When ten-year-old Winnie Foster and a greedy evil stranger discover their secret, the Tucks are determined to prevent a disaster.
Twits	Dahl, Roald	Animals seek revenge against a horrible couple named the Twits in this humorous book. Mr. and Mrs. Twit spend their days playing nasty tricks on each other. The Twits mistreat their pets, a family of monkeys, training them to do everything upside down so they can feature them in a traveling circus. Tired of being abused themselves, the monkeys, with the help of a clever African bird set out to teach them a lesson they'll never have the opportunity to forget.
Walk Two Moons	Creech, Sharon	While Salamanca tells her grandparents the story of her friend Phoebe, whose mother disappeared, her own experiences are slowly revealed. The story explores a young girl's struggle in accepting her mother's death and features American Indian wisdom and values. The emotional intensity of loss confronts almost all the characters. The book covers many issues, including adoption.
Wanted... Mud Blossom	Byars, Betsey	The Blossom family has an especially eventful weekend during which Junior Blossom loses the school hamster and Paps dog Mud is put on trial for the hamster's murder!
Watsons go to Birmingham, The	Curtis, Christopher Paul	This story follows the Watsons, an African American family living in Flint, Michigan, as they travel south to visit their grandmother in Alabama. There they are confronted with the 1963 bombing of black churches. The book combines humorous characterization with important history.
Wayside School is Falling Down	Sachar, Louis	Humorous stories about the out-of-the-ordinary, 30-stories-high Wayside School. The teacher's trials and the students' antics make for a zany read-aloud book. This is a sequel to <b>SIDEWAYS STORIES FROM WAYSIDE SCHOOL</b> .
Westing Game, The	Raskin, Ellen	This novel investigates the mysterious death of an eccentric millionaire. It introduces an unlikely assortment of heirs who must uncover the circumstances of his death before they can claim their inheritance.
What Eric Knew	Howe, James	When amateur detective Sebastian Barth's best friend, Eric Mather, moves away, Sebastian is understandably upset. His upset turns to concern when Eric begins sending mysterious notes, convincing Sebastian that there was more to the move than his friend originally let on.
Where the Red Fern Grows	Rawls, Wilson	A young boy living in the Ozarks achieves his heart's desire when he becomes the owner of two redbone hounds and teaches them to be champion hunters.
Where the Red Fern Grows	Rawls, Wilson	This story of a young boy's childhood in the Ozarks features his intense relationship with two coon hounds and the many adventures they have while hunting. The story follows Billy from the time he only dreams of having dogs to the moment one of them is killed while saving its master.
Whipping Boy, The	Fleischman, Sid	Because disciplining the heir to the throne was forbidden, young Jemmy was taken from the streets and routinely punished in place of Prince Brat. When Prince Brat becomes bored, he decides to run away and take his whipping boy with him. Their identities are inadvertently exchanged, and high adventures and antics begin.

Wild Man Island	Hobbs, Will	The wilderness adventure of resourceful fourteen-year-old Andy, marooned on Alaska's remote Admiralty Island after a storm veers his kayak off course is depicted in this story. Andy encounters a myriad of perils, including animals, hunger, hypothermia, a maze of unexplored caves, and a mysterious wild man who holds the key to his rescue.
Wind in the Willows	Grahame, Kenneth	The humorous adventures of four animal friends, resourceful Rat, loyal Mole, exasperating Toad of Toad Hall and stern but wise Badger are related as they share life and habitat along a river in the English countryside.
Winter in the Big Woods	Wilder, <u>Laura Ingalls</u>	A little pioneer girl and her family spend the winter in their log cabin in the Big Woods of Wisconsin.
Wright Brothers, The	Old, Wendie	The story of the Wright Brothers is portrayed in brief, accessible chapters, beginning with their childhood fascination with flight and love of problem solving to their stunning achievement.
Zia	O'Dell, Scott	Zia and her brother journey to San Nicolas Island to rescue Karana, who finds it hard to adjust to mission life as she continues to long for her island life. This is the sequel to ISLAND OF THE BLUE DOLPHINS.

### Clovis Unified School District Supplemental Literature for Grade 5

Book Title	Author	Summary
13 <sup>th</sup> Floor	Fleischman, Sid	When his older sister disappears, twelve-year-old Buddy Stebbins follows her back in time and finds himself aboard a seventeenth-century pirate ship captained by a distant relative.
Abraham Lincoln		The story of President Lincoln, from his birth in Kentucky in 1809 to his life in Washington and the end of the Civil War.
Absolutely Normal Chaos	Creech, Sharon	Thirteen-year-old Mary Lou grows up considerably during the summer while learning about romance, homesickness, death, and her cousin's search for his biological father.
Across Five Aprils	Hunt, Irene	The effects of the Civil War on the Creighton family, farmers in Southern Illinois, are depicted as the older men are pulled one by one into the war, leaving the youngest, Jethro, to keep their farm going. The novel is based on the author's family records, letters, and grandfather's stories.
Adventures of Blue Avenger, The	Howe, Norma	On his sixteenth birthday, still trying to cope with the unexpected death of his father, David Schumacher decides--or does he--to change his name to Blue Avenger, hoping to find a way to make a difference in his Oakland neighborhood and in the world.
Adventures of Captain Underpants, The	<u>Pilkey, Dav</u>	Captain Underpants, the former school principal turned crime-fighting, superhero, uses his talents to outwit the evil Dr. Diaper.
Afternoon of the Elves	<u>Lisle, Janet Taylor</u>	As Hillary works in the miniature village, allegedly built by elves, in Sara-Kate's backyard, she becomes more and more curious about Sara-Kate's real life inside her big, gloomy house with her mysterious, silent mother.
Al Capone does my Shirts	<u>Choldenko, Gennifer</u>	A twelve-year-old boy named Moose moves to Alcatraz Island in 1935 when guards' families were

		housed there, and has to contend with his extraordinary new environment in addition to life with his autistic sister Natalie.
All Alone in the Universe	<u>Perkins, Lynne Rae</u>	In a poignant coming-of-age story, Debbie finds herself hurt and lonely when Maureen, her best friend since the third grade, inexplicably starts to ignore her and keeps company with someone else.
All the World's a Stage!	<u>Davidson, Rebecca Piatt</u>	An introduction to some of the characters and plays of William Shakespeare.
Amazing Days of Abby Hayes, The	Mazer, Anne	Abby Hayes is sick of using her sister's battered old rollerblades. She is determined to buy herself a brand new pair with purple wheels. But no matter how much money she earns doing odd jobs, she always seems to spend her profits on other things. A story about learning to save money.
Ambassador for Peace	Hilts, Len	Hilts' biography is a readable but problematic account of the life of Comanche chief Quanah Parker. Quanah was the last major hold-out in the long and bitter fight to prevent the Comanche's from being placed on a reservation, but after his surrender in 1875, he lead his people in the assimilation of a new way of life.
Amelia Earhart	<u>Parlin, John</u>	Provides an easy-to-read introduction to the life of Amelia Earhart.
American Tall Tales	Osborne, Mary Pope	A collection of tall tales celebrates such American folk heroes as Sally Ann Thunder Ann Whirlwind, Pecos Bill, John Henry, and Paul Bunyan.
Among the Barons	<u>Haddix, Margaret Peterson</u>	Forced to hide for most of his life because he is a third child in a society that only permits two children per family, Luke Garner, sent to boarding school where he adopts a new identity as a Baron--a member of the elite--finds his newfound station in life short-lived by the arrival of his jealous brother.
Among the Betrayed	<u>Haddix, Margaret Peterson</u>	Thirteen-year-old Nina is imprisoned by the Population Police, who give her the option of helping them identify illegal "third-born" children, or facing death.
Among the Brave	<u>Haddix, Margaret Peterson</u>	In a world where families are only allowed two children, third children are considered illegal and sent away to prison, but when Trey and the "Shadow Children" decide to take a stand against the system, they are aware that only one side will be victorious in this dangerous war.
Among the Hidden	<u>Haddix, Margaret Peterson</u>	In a future where the Population Police enforce the law limiting a family to only two children, Luke has lived all his twelve years in isolation and fear on his family's farm, until another "third" convinces him that the government is wrong.
Among the Imposters	<u>Sullivan, George</u>	A collection of twelve true stories about daring imposters relates the masquerades of Ferdinand Demara, a high school dropout who pretended to be a doctor and actually performed surgery; Victor Lustwig, a criminal who sold the Eiffel Tower; and more.
And Then What Happened, Paul Revere?	Fritz, Jean	Readers learn about Paul Revere's midnight ride to Lexington to warn the colonists that the British were coming and also that he made false teeth, silver spoons, church bells, and many other fascinating things.
Animorphs; The Exposed	Applegate, K.A.	To rescue their android friends, the Chee, the Animorphs must use a giant squid morph to get to the Chee ship deep in a trench beneath the ocean. And they must reach the ship before Visser Three does.
Animorphs; The Proposal	Applegate, K.A.	The fact that his mother has been infested by an alien parasite and his father is planning to remarry puts Marco under such stress that he begins to morph into bizarre creatures that he is afraid will

		attract the attention of the Yeerks.
Animorphs; The Suspicion	Applegate, K.A.	The Yeerks are not the only invaders of Earth. Meet the new enemy: the Helmacrons. Cassie finds their miniature spaceship and donates it to a toy drive.
Animorphs; The Threat	Applegate, K.A.	The "Threat" is a new Animorph named David. At first he's a valuable warrior. But as crucial battle plans unfold, the Animorphs realize they've made a terrible mistake.
Animorphs; The Underground	Applegate, K.A.	This continuing series includes; animorphs #17: Underground, #18: Decision, #19: Departure, and "#20: Discovery".
Art of Keeping Cool, The	<u>Lisle, Janet Taylor</u>	In 1942, Robert and his cousin Elliot uncover long-hidden family secrets while staying in their grandparents' Rhode Island town, where they also become involved with a reclusive German artist who is suspected of being a spy.
Arthur, for the very first time	MacLachlan, Patricia	Ten-year-old Arthur spends the summer with two relatives, his eccentric great-aunt and great-uncle. This experience helps him look at himself and his family differently.
At Her Majesty's Request: An African Princess in Victoria England	<u>Myers, Walter Dean</u>	Biography of the African princess saved from execution and taken to England where Queen Victoria oversaw her upbringing and where she lived for a time before marrying an African missionary.
Back to Paul Revere	<u>Gormley, Beatrice</u>	Nine-year-old Andrea orders wings through the mail with a guarantee to fly. They work, but there is a frightening side effect.
Back to the Titanic	<u>Gormley, Beatrice</u>	Action, adventure, science, and discovery come together in this fascinating and educational story about three enterprising kids who find a way to travel through time to save the Titanic from sinking.
Bad Beginnings – A Series of Unfortunate Events	Handler, <u>Daniel</u>	After the sudden death of their parents, the three Baudelaire children must depend on each other and their wits when it turns out that the distant relative who is appointed their guardian is determined to use any means necessary to get their fortune.
Bald Eagles	<u>Wolfe, Art and Bruning, Donald F.</u>	A collection of photos, accompanied by the authoritative text of Donald Bruning, curator of ornithology at the Wildlife Conservation Society of the Bronx Zoo.
Bandit's Moon	Fleischman, Sid	Orphan Annyrose sets off to find her brother in the California gold fields, is held hostage by O. O. Mary, and rescued by the notorious outlaw Joaquin Murietta. Thinking Annyrose is a boy, Murietta spares her life after she promises to teach him to read so that he can find out what is being said about him in newspapers and on posters.
Bat 6	Wolff, Virginia Euwer	The annual sixth-grade girls' baseball game is always a community affair and an ongoing tradition for Bear Creek Ridge and Barlow Road grade schools. The fiftieth anniversary game of 1949 appears to be one of the best competitions ever. In chapters told from the players' points of view, bigotry and prejudice over events from World War II emerge and dramatically change the simple game.
Battle for the Castle, The	<u>Winthrop, Elizabeth</u>	Twelve-year-old William uses the magic token from his housekeeper to return, through the toy castle in his attic, to the medieval land of Sir Simon, which is now menaced by a skeleton ship bearing a plague of ravenous rats.
Battle that won the Civil War, The	Fraser, Mary Ann	An introduction to the siege of and battles for Vicksburg. The action and planning are carefully presented in clear, easy-to-understand terms. Fraser not only recounts details of the campaign, but readers are introduced to the people behind the events.

Because of Winn-Dixie	DiCamillo, Kate	When Opal and her father, the preacher, move to Florida, Opal goes into a Winn-Dixie supermarket and comes out with a dog. With the help of her new pal, Opal makes a variety of new, interesting friends. She spends the summer collecting stories about them and thinking about her absent mother.
Behind the Bedroom Wall	<u>Williams, Laura E.</u>	In 1939, Korinna is a member of a Nazi youth group and believes Hitler's speeches that he is helping the world, but when Korinna discovers that her family is hiding a Jewish family behind her bedroom wall, she has to decide to whom she is truly loyal.
Beloved Dearly, The	<u>Cooney, Doug</u>	Having run a successful pet funeral business for some time, Ernie hires Swimming Pool to assist him, yet when he refuses to give her the raise she deserves, Swimming Pool sets up her own business that operates in direct competition with her former boss.
Ben and Me...	Lawson, Robert	The story of Benjamin Franklin as told by Amos--a mouse who claims to be his closest friend and advisor, as well as the original creator of many of Franklin's inventions.
Best Horse, The	O-Mara, Lesly	The 18 stories in this collection represent the imaginations of writers renowned for their horse tales, such as James Herriot, Anna Sewell, and Enid Bagnold, as well as other great authors including Charles Dickens, Mark Twain and Rudyard Kipling, who offer their own unique visions and experiences with the noblest of creatures.
BFG, The	<u>Roald Dahl</u>	The BFG--Big Friendly Giant--kidnaps Sophie from her bed in the orphanage and takes her back to Giantland where she becomes involved in a scheme to end the loathsome activities of nine evil giants.
Bloomability	Creech, Sharon	When her aunt and uncle take her from New Mexico to Lugano, Switzerland, to attend an international school, thirteen-year-old Dinnie discovers an expanding world and her place within it.
Blue Willow	Gates, Doris	A book about Janey, a wistful girl whose family has lost their home during the Dust Bowl catastrophe. A revealing picture of the Depression era.
Boggart, The	<u>Cooper, Susan Rayyan, Omar</u>	After visiting the castle in Scotland which her family has inherited and returning home to Canada, twelve-year-old Emily finds that she has accidentally brought back with her a boggart, an invisible and mischievous spirit with a fondness for practical jokes.
Book of Ghosts	<u>Jones, Ceri and Adams, Pam</u>	Rhyming text and die-cut pages present a ghost at the window, a ghost in the water tap, and ghosts everywhere you look.
Borrowers, The	<u>Norton, Mary Krush, Beth Krush, Joe</u>	The miniature world of the Clock family--Pod, Homily, and Arrietty--who live beneath the floor of a country house in a home furnished with objects they have borrowed from the humans who live above them, comes to life in this version of the classic tale
Boston Jane	<u>Holm, Jennifer L.</u>	After her fiancée abandons her after bringing her to the Washington Territory from Philadelphia, Jane Peck must find a way to survive, without her family and a home, in order to make some kind of life for herself in her rough and rural surroundings.
Boxcar Children, The	<u>Warner, Gertrude Chandler</u>	Four orphaned children take up residence in an abandoned railroad boxcar.
Boy Who Saved Baseball, The	Ritter, John	The fate of a small California town rests on the outcome of one baseball game, and Tom Gallagher hopes to lead his team to victory with the secrets of the now disgraced player, Dante Del Gato.
Brian's Hunt	<u>Paulsen, Gary</u>	When a badly wounded dog stumbles into Brian's life, Brian tends to his new friend with great care,

		but worries that this may be a sign that his friends, the Cree, may be in danger and so must plan a daring trip to their camp in the north to find out what has happened to them.
Brian's Winter	Paulsen, Gary	Brian Robeson, a young boy marooned in the wilds of Alaska in the book HATCHET, is the hero of this novel. Paulsen reintroduces the original survival story but imagines that Brian isn't rescued in the fall and therefore must fight the elements of nature in order to survive a freezing winter in the Alaskan wilderness.
Bridge to Taribithea	Paterson, Katherine	The life of a ten-year-old boy in rural Virginia expands when he becomes friends with a newcomer who subsequently meets an untimely death trying to reach their hideaway, Terabithia, during a storm.
Bud, Not Buddy	Curtis, Christopher Paul	Ten-year-old Bud - "not Buddy" - Caldwell is an orphan on the run during the Great Depression. He escapes from an abusive foster home to find the man he believes to be his father. One dilemma after another uncovers a tough character who perseveres and triumphs in his quest.
Bull Run	Fleischman, Paul	The impact of war is described through a variety of voices—from generals to fighting men, and anxious mothers and wives at home. In short vignettes Northerners and Southerners alike share insights about a major Civil War battle at Bull Run, Virginia.
Bunnicula	Howe, Deborah; Howe, James	When a little rabbit called Bunnicula enters the Monroe household, vegetables begin turning white, and Chester the cat is convinced that Bunnicula is a vampire rabbit who sucks the juices out of vegetables. This is the first in a series of stories about Harold, Chester, and Bunnicula.
Caddie Woodlawn	<u>Ryrie, Carol Brink</u>	Chronicles the adventures of eleven-year-old Caddie growing up with her six brothers and sisters on the Wisconsin frontier in the mid-nineteenth century.
Caleb's Story	<u>MacLachlan, Patricia</u>	The stranger lurking on the Witting family's prairie farm turns out to be their long-lost grandfather, whose presence plus prodding from Sarah forces Jacob to deal with his past.
Call of the Wild	London, Jack	As Buck, a mistreated sled dog, roams the Alaskan wilderness and once again experiences the "call of the wild," he finds friendship with a new master.
Carlota	<u>O'Dell, Scott</u>	On the ranch and in battle, Carlota feels she must prove again and again that she is as courageous and strong as the son her father wishes she were.
Carolina Crow Girl	Hobbs, Valerie	After eleven-year-old Carolina begins to make decisions for herself and no longer feels constrained by her mother, she is able to let her pet crow fly free.
Castle in the Attic, The	<u>Winthrop, Elizabeth</u>	Ten-year-old William is so distraught at the idea of his beloved Nanny returning to England that, with the aid of a magic token, he shrinks her to toy size and keeps her in the model castle that had been her parting gift to him.
Cay, The	Taylor, Theodore	When the freighter on which they are traveling is torpedoed by a German submarine during World War II, an adolescent white boy, blinded by a blow on the head, and an old black man are stranded on a tiny Caribbean island where the boy acquires a new kind of vision and courage with the help of his old companion.
Ceiling of Stars, A	Creel, Ann	In a series of letters and journal entries, twelve-year-old Vivien describes being abandoned by her mother and struggling to survive on the streets of a big city while searching for her family.
Celery Stalks at Midnight, The	Howe, James	Chester the cat is more than ever convinced that Bunnicula is a vampire when there is a harvest of white vegetables on the morning after the night that Bunnicula was probably wandering through the neighborhood.

Chalk Box Kid, The	<u>Bulla, Clyde Robert</u>	Nine-year-old Gregory's house does not have room for a garden, but he creates a surprising and very different garden in an unusual place, which wins him the admiration of the children at his new school.
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory	Dahl, Roald	Charlie Bucket, so poor that he can only afford one candy bar a year, wins candy for life and a tour of Willie Wonka's top-secret chocolate factory. There are four other prizewinners, each a selfish child with a nasty personality. The story is filled with excitement, fantasy, humor, and moral lessons. This selection is the first of a series about Charlie Bucket.
Charlotte's Web	White, E. B.	A bashful and naive young pig named Wilbur becomes friends with a spider named Charlotte, who saves Wilbur's life by convincing the farmer and community members that he is no ordinary porker.
Chronicles of Narnia, The	Lewis, <u>C. S.</u>	The Chronicles of Narnia is a series of seven <a href="#">fantasy novels for children</a> . They present the adventures of <a href="#">children</a> who play central roles in the unfolding history of the realm of <a href="#">Narnia</a> , where some animals talk, <a href="#">magic</a> is common, and <a href="#">good</a> is fighting <a href="#">evil</a> .
Class at the End of the Hall, The	Evans, Douglas	Incredible encounters seem to be the norm at this school, and the unbelievable experiences all seem to prove a point. Humorous stories of familiar students and unbelievable classroom inhabitants make this book an attractive alternative to stories of the supernatural that entertain without any substance.
Clay Marble, The	<u>Ho, Minfong</u>	In the late 1970s twelve-year-old Dara joins a refugee camp in war-torn Cambodia and becomes separated from her family.
Club Earth	Gauthier, <u>Gail</u> and Sons, <u>Putnams</u>	When their house becomes a vacation resort for aliens from other planets, Robby and Will enjoy the excitement before finally finding a way to get rid of their free-loading guests.
Contemporary Reader, The	<u>Goshgarian, Gary (Edt)</u>	The Contemporary Reader includes more contemporary selections on interesting issues familiar to students and relevant to our times.
Courage of Sarah Noble, The	<u>Dalgliesh, Alice</u>	An eight-year-old girl finds courage to go alone with her father to build a new home in the Connecticut wilderness, and to stay with the Indians until he returns with her family.
Cowpokes and Desperados	Paulsen, Gary	Dunc and Amos are bound for Uncle Woody's Santa Fe cattle ranch for a week of fun. Who's been making off with all the prize cattle? Can Dunc and Amos stop the rustlers in time to save the ranch?
Coyote Autumn	Wallace, Bill	After moving to the country, thirteen-year-old Brad, who has always wanted a dog, adopts a motherless coyote.
Crash	Spinelli, Jerry	Coogan is an arrogant, athletic seventh-grader with a jock mentality and a knack for putdowns, especially of Penn Webb. Things change when Crash's grandfather comes to live with them and suffers a severe stroke. Crash begins to see life through different eyes and grows to appreciate the simple gift of kindness that Penn offers his grandfather to help him heal.
Cricket in Time Square	Selden, George	The adventures of a country cricket who unintentionally arrives in New York and is befriended by Tucker Mouse and Harry Cat.
Cynthia Ann Parker	Hacker, <u>Margaret Schmidt</u>	Cynthia Ann Parker's experiences as a captive of the Comanches (1836-60), are probably the most familiar of all the pioneer women captured by Indians in the Southwest.
Danger on Crab Island	Saunders, Susan	Twelve-year-old Dana Chapin is part of Neptune Project, helping her parents rescue injured sea creatures and preserve the natural balance of the seas, when her cousin Tyler comes to live with them at their Atlantic coast lighthouse home. He's looking for excitement but finds more than he bargained for when he challenges the mighty Atlantic Ocean and needs to be rescued himself.

Dark is Rising, The	Cooper, Susan	On his eleventh birthday Will Stanton discovers that he is the last of the Old Ones, destined to seek the six magical Signs that will enable the Old Ones to triumph over the evil forces of the Dark.
Dear Mr. Henshaw	Cleary, Beverly	Leigh Botts, now a sixth-grader, began writing to his favorite author, Boyd Henshaw, when Leigh was in the second grade. The reader journeys with Leigh and learns how he adjusts to new situations, including the absence of his father from the home.
Dacey's Song	Voigt, Cynthia	This sequel to the novel HOMECOMING portrays Dacey, a strong-minded teen, trying to ease up on the responsibility of acting as a parent now that she has found a home for her younger siblings
Different Dragons	<u>Little, Jean</u>	Timid Ben learns how to deal with his fears when he spends the weekend with Aunt Rose and meets a big Labrador retriever named Gully.
Dipper of Copper Creek	<u>George, Jean</u>	Prospecting for gold with his grandfather in the Colorado Rockies, Doug encounters the strangest bird he has ever seen, a water ouzel, and is forced to save the bird when an avalanche destroys its home.
Dog Called Kitty, A	Wallace, Bill	Ricky overcomes his deep fear of dogs to rescue a starving puppy, eventually growing to love his misfit dog named Kitty.
Dog Friday	<u>McKay, Hilary</u>	Meeting the four Robinson children next door, ten-year-old Robin Brogan joins in the mayhem that always accompanies the Robinsons and rescues an abandoned dog that he hopes he will be able to adopt.
Dogsong	Paulsen, Gary	A fourteen-year-old Eskimo boy who feels at odds with aspects of modern life takes a 1400-mile journey by dog sled across ice, tundra, and mountains seeking his own "song" of himself.
Dog with Golden Eyes, The	Wilbur, Frances	Thirteen-year-old Cassie secretly adopts what she thinks is a stray dog, only to eventually realize that the animal is a full-grown Arctic wolf.
Dog Years	Grass, Gunter	This novel, set in three parts from the 1920s to the 1950s, follows the lives of two blood brothers and a dog, who is a favorite of Adolf Hitler. The author traces the labyrinth of the Third Reich, including the rise, fall and aftermath.
Dogs on the Job	Farran, <u>Christopher</u>	A collection of true stories of animals that work for a living, including Alaskan sled dogs, bomb-sniffing dogs, and canine movie stars.
Don't Get Caught in the Teacher's Lounge	Strasser, <u>Todd</u>	A group of students bend every rule in school--but they never get caught.
Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde	<u>Stevenson, Robert Louis</u>	A lawyer in Victorian London tries to understand the nature of the strange relationship between his physician friend and the cruel and violent man he seems to protect.
Dragon Rider	<u>Funke, Cornelia Bell,</u> <u>Anthea</u>	Searching for the mythical Rim of Heaven, a place where dragons can be safe forever, Firedrake and Sorrel get assistance from the most unexpected source--an orphan boy named Ben--while battling against an evil dragon hunter bent on their destruction.
Dragonwings	Yep, Laurence	In 1903 Moonshadow travels from a remote village in China to California to join his father, whom he has never seen. Despite tremendous difficulties and disasters, father and son struggle to build a life in San Francisco, working toward their dream of creating a dragon-like flying machine.
Dream Boat	<u>Odom, Mel</u>	After her friend Cristoval is kidnapped by troll-like beings, Sabrina discovers that he is really an Other Realm prince and the only one with the power to free his kingdom from the tyranny of its

		would-be king,
Egypt Game, The	<u>Zilpha Keatley Snyder</u>	The A-Z Antique Shop is a shabby store run by an older man known as the Professor. The shop's abandoned storage yard features a few curios and soon draws the attention of 11-year-old April Hall, her friend Melanie Ross, and Melanie's younger brother, Marshall. Inspired by their mutual love of Egypt, April and Melanie turn the storage yard into the land of Egypt--a land filled with altars, oracles, and sacred rituals created by the girls.
Einstein Anderson and the On-Line Spaceman	Simon, <u>Seymour</u>	Einstein Anderson uses his scientific knowledge to solve a variety of problems, from crying rocks and dangerous plants to a dinosaur beater and a backwards monster.
Enn McEwan, Your Days are Numbered	Ritchie, <u>Allen</u>	In danger of flunking sixth grade because of math, Erin takes a job in a deli where she is told to help with the bookkeeping.
Escape From Memory	<u>Haddix, Margaret Peterson</u>	After experimenting with hypnotism at a party, Kira finds her life spiraling out of control when her mother mysteriously vanishes and a woman named Aunt Memory arrives, claiming to know where her mother is, but Kira soon learns that the power of her memories is the only way she can ever save her mother.
Eyes of Kid Midas, The	<u>Shusterman, Neal</u>	Kevin Midas finds sunglasses that grant their wearer access to their every dream, but before Kevin realizes it, his dreams and wishes are tearing his world apart, as he struggles to control his thirst for revenge as well as his desire for everything.
Family Under the Bridge, The	<u>Carlson, Natalie Savage</u>	An old tramp, adopted by three fatherless children when their mother hides them under a bridge on the Seine, finds a home for mother and children and a job for himself.
Far North	Hobbs, Will	Flying to the subarctic wilds of Canada to visit his father, who is working at a diamond mine, fifteen-year-old Gabe is accidentally stranded with his roommate in a remote area and must test his survival skills.
Fear Place	<u>Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds</u>	During a camping/research expedition with his parents, Doug must overcome his fear of heights after he and his older brother have one of their fights, Gordon disappears during their parents' absence, and Doug must find Gordon before it is too late.
Fever 1793	<u>Anderson, Laurie Halse</u>	In 1793 Philadelphia, sixteen-year-old Matilda Cook, separated from her sick mother, learns about perseverance and self-reliance when she is forced to cope with the horrors of a yellow fever epidemic.
Figgs and Phantoms	Raskin, <u>Ellen</u>	Chronicles the adventures of the unusual Figg family after they left show business and settled in the town of Pineapple.
Five Minute Mysteries	<u>Weber, Kenneth</u>	A series of short mysteries.
Flags	<u>Rowland-Entwistle, T.</u>	Discusses the history of flags, their symbolic meanings, and former and current uses.
Flying Solo	Fletcher, Ralph	When their substitute teacher fails to show up, Mr. Fabiano's sixth-grade students decide to run the class, and things are going smoothly, until a battle rages between Rachel White and Bastian Fauvell over a fellow student who died six months earlier, causing Rachel to come to terms with her grief.
Following Fake Man	<u>Holmes, Barbara</u>	For twelve years, the only thing Homer was told was that his father was a neurologist who died of a neurological disease, so when Homer arrives at a town in Maine where his father once lived, he feels it is time to get answers to the questions his family wouldn't answer.

Football Fugitive	Christopher, Matt	Representing a pro football player whom his son admires brings a lawyer closer to his young son.
Freddy in Peril	<u>Reiche, Dietlof</u>	A cat, two guinea pigs, and a colony of brave sewer rats band together in order to save Freddy, a golden hamster, from an evil scientist who's discovered that Freddy can read and write, and plans to dissect his brain.
Freedom Train	Sterling, Dorothy	Crossing the Mason-Dixon Line nineteen times, a brave black woman led many fellow slaves to freedom.
Frightful's Mountain	<u>George, Jean Craighead</u>	The third book of a series that began with My Side of the Mountain is told from Frightful's viewpoint; as she must now survive on her own where human encroachment, winter, and famine threaten her efforts to return to her first home.
Frindle	<u>Clements, Andrew</u>	Fifth-grade language arts teacher Mrs. Granger comes to regret her lesson that language is controlled by human beings when Nick Allen begins a wildly successful campaign to rename the ballpoint pen.
From the Mixed up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler	Konigsburg, <u>E. L.</u>	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.
Gathering of Days, A	Blos W., Jane	The journal of a fourteen-year-old girl, kept the last year she lived on the family farm, records daily events in her small New Hampshire town, her father's remarriage, and the death of her best friend.
George Washington's Socks	Woodruff, <u>Elvira</u>	In the midst of a backyard campout, ten-year-old Matt and four other children find themselves transported back into the time of George Washington and the American Revolution, where they begin to live out American history firsthand and learn the sober realities of war.
George's Marvelous Medicine	<u>Dahl, Roald</u>	George decides that his grumpy, selfish old grandmother must be a witch and concocts some marvelous medicine to take care of her.
Ghost of the Third Row, The		Sixth-grader Nina Tanleven, trying out for a part in a play is pretty scary. But nothing can compare to seeing a ghost, a woman in white, sitting in the audience! Nina senses that she has nothing to fear from this apparition, but she is intrigued.
Gib and the Gray Ghost	<u>Snyder, Zilpha K.</u>	Unsure of his future with his soon-to-be adoptive family, orphan Gib Whittaker works in the barn and awaits his fate, yet when a starved and beaten horse suddenly appears, Gib realizes his purpose in life through his determination to save the beautiful creature from death.
Gift of the Sacred Dog, The	<u>Goble, Paul</u>	The Great Spirit gives the sacred dog to an Indian boy seeking relief for his hungry people
Girls Revenge, The	<u>Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds</u>	A simple interview over a class project leads to chaos as Caroline Malloy and Wally Hatford find new ways to shock and disgust the other in every possibly way, yet the tables turn on them both when their distasteful pranks get out of their control.
Girls to the Rescue	<u>Lansky, Bruce (Edt)</u>	In a collection of stories about heroic girls, Kayla saves her cousin from a tornado, Rosie uses her skateboarding skills to rescue her brother, Keesha stands up to city officials, and Emily saves a woodland.
Godzilla Ate My Homework	<u>Jones, Marcia</u>	Parker's new pet, a spunky guinea pig named Godzilla, eats up some important papers and stirs up trouble for everyone in Parker's family.
Going for Great	Brockmann, <u>Carolee</u>	Feeling abandoned by her parents and her best friend, sixth grader Jenna worries that her severe

		stage fright will spoil her performance at a flute competition--until she gets to know a class misfit who is a good musician and an even better friend.
Going Places	<u>Bergman, Thomas</u>	Focuses on children with cerebral palsy and follows their daily activities and treatment.
Good Dog	Gottfried, <u>Maya</u>	In this picture book, artist Robert Rahway Zakanitch gives us 16 expressive portraits of dogs, and Maya Gottfried captures their voices and inner personalities in 16 poems.
Goosebumps	<u>Stine, R. L.</u>	Tells the stories of an evil baby sister, a remote control with unexpected powers, a teacher fond of snakes, and a teddy bear gone bad
Graduation of Jake Moon, The	<u>Park, Barbara</u>	Fourteen-year-old Jake recalls how he has spent the last four years of his life watching his grandfather descend slowly but surely into the horrors of Alzheimer's disease.
Great Gilly Hopkins, The	<u>Paterson, Katherine</u>	Finding herself in the latest and most intolerable of a string of foster homes, an eleven-year-old who prides herself on her cleverness and unmanageability tries gamely to provoke the adults around her
Great Turkey Walk, The	<u>Karr, Kathleen</u>	In a Wild West adventure set in 1860, young Simon Green hatches a plan to herd a huge flock of bronze turkeys from his home in eastern Missouri to Denver and undertakes the biggest journey of his life.
Greater than Angels	<u>Matas, Carol</u>	Set during World War II and based on actual occurrences, a young Jewish girl, after being deported from Germany, begins to fear for her life in her French village as the Nazi's work their way further into her new country.
Greedy Gremlin, The	<u>West, Tracey</u>	When Violet's cousin Leon becomes trapped inside a video game, Sprite blames Jolt, a tricky gremlin, and enlists the aid of Violet and Sprite in freeing the boy.
Guests	<u>Dorris, Michael</u>	Moss and Trouble, an Algonquin boy and girl, struggle with the problems of growing up in the Massachusetts area during the time of the first Thanksgiving.
Guns for General Washington	<u>Reit, Seymour</u>	In the bitter winter of 1775-76, Colonel Henry Knox and his younger brother Will, both of the Continental Army, become frustrated with the British blockade of Boston and decide to attempt to move 183 cannons from Fort Ticonderoga, over 300 miles of mountainous wilderness, to defend the besieged city.
Hank and the case of deadly ha-ha game	Erickson, <u>John R.</u>	Hank the Cowdog, Head of Ranch Security, and assistant deputy Drover engage in an epic battle with the coyotes, Rip and Snort, as they all seek some meaty treats.
Hank Zipzer: Day of the Iguana	<u>Oliver, Lin</u> and <u>Winkler, Henry</u>	Hank has never been fond of his sister's pet iguana, and their relationship worsens when she lays her eggs inside his science project.
Harris and Me	<u>Paulsen, Gary</u>	An eleven-year-old city boy is sent to spend time on his relatives' farm, where his rude, crude, trouble-minded cousin, Harris, makes his summer a memorable one.
Hatchet	<u>Paulsen, Gary</u>	Thirteen-year-old Brian Robeson, the sole survivor of a plane crash in the Canadian wilderness, must draw on his untested skill and strength to survive.
Heaven	Johnson, Angela	Johnson explores the themes of what makes a place home and which people family.
Helen Keller	Davidson, Margaret	A biography stressing the childhood of the woman who overcame the handicaps of being blind and deaf.
Holes	<u>Sachar, Louis</u>	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 boys' juvenile detention center in the Texas desert. As punishment, the

		boys here must each dig a hole every day. Ultimately, Stanley "digs up the truth" -- and through his experience, finds his first real friend, a treasure, and a new sense of himself.
Holy Enchilada!	<u>Winkler, Henry</u>	Efforts to impress a visiting student from Japan cause Hank to hide his dyslexia while the gang makes enchiladas for a Multi-Cultural Day lunch, and Hank is afraid he was very wrong about the amount of chili powder called for in the recipe.
Hunter's League	Odom, Mel	Just weeks after his father's horrific death, Matt Hunter confronts the murderous Lucius Creighdor and vows revenge. But battling this vicious foe is treacherous for Matt -- and his steadfast league of friends.
I Remember the Alamo	<u>Love, D. Anne</u>	Having moved from Kentucky to Texas, young Jessie finds her life in a state of chaos as her father and brother set off to fight the Mexicans while she and the rest of her kin are forced to live within the safety of the fort.
I was a 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Alien	Coville, <u>Bruce</u>	When aliens come to Earth on an interplanetary trade mission, sixth-grader Tim makes friends with the ambassador's son and together they uncover a plot to sabotage the mission.
Iceberg Hermit, The	<u>Roth, Arthur</u>	Shipwrecked in 1757 on an iceberg in the Arctic seas with only an orphaned polar bear cub for companionship, seventeen-year-old Allan begins a seemingly hopeless struggle for survival.
Ida B.	Miller, <u>Karen E. Quinones</u>	Ida B. Barrett Wells Tower is a residential building for low-income families. When it first opened, four-year-old Brenda Carver and her mother moved to the tenth floor. On moving day, she met Rosa Rivera, who moved onto the twelfth floor, and Sharif Goldsby, who moved in with his grandmother. Twenty years later, all three are still residents.
If You Lived at the Time of the Civil War	<u>Moore, Kay</u>	Describes what life was like, both in the North, or Union States, and South, or Confederate States, during the Civil War.
If You Lived With the Sioux Indians	Kamma, Anne	Describes the daily life of the Sioux Indians, including their clothing, food, games, customs, and family life, before and after the coming of the white man.
If You Sailed on the Mayflower in 1620	<u>McGovern, Ann</u>	A fact-filled history of the Pilgrims and the early Plymouth Colony told in question-and-answer style with illustrations.
In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson	<u>Lord, Bette</u>	Shirley Temple Wong leaves her homeland to live in Brooklyn but has great difficulty in adjusting to life in America until she discovers baseball.
Incredible Journey, The	<u>Burnford, Sheila Every</u>	A Siamese cat, an old bull terrier, and a young Labrador retriever travel together 250 miles through the Canadian wilderness to find their family, facing starvation, exposure to the elements, and encounters with wild animals
Indian Captive	<u>Lenski, Lois</u>	The true story of Mary Jemison, a young girl taken captive by the Seneca Indians, features a personal account of the experience authentically reconstructed and illustrated, and includes the discoveries that can be made when two cultures collide.
Indian in the Cupboard	<u>Banks, Lynne Reid</u>	The toy Indian Omri received for his birthday comes to life.
Indigo	Hoffman, Alice	When her mother dies, Martha is so unhappy living in the dried-up town of Oak Grove that she convinces two unusual brothers who long to return to the ocean to run away with her.

Island Book 1: Shipwreck, The	Blumberg, Rhonda	The true tale of a 14-year-old Japanese boy who, after being shipwrecked while fishing in 1841, was marooned for six months, rescued by an American whaling ship, educated in New England, and returned home to become an honored samurai.
Island of the Blue Dolphin	O'Dell, <u>Scott</u>	Left alone on a beautiful but isolated island off the coast of California, a young Indian girl spends eighteen years, not only merely surviving through her enormous courage and self-reliance, but also finding a measure of happiness in her solitary life.
Islander, The	<u>Rylant, Cynthia</u>	This story charts the journey of Daniel Jennings, who lives on an island in the Pacific Northwest with his grandfather and spends ten years of his youth unraveling the mysteries of a mermaid and a life-saving key.
It Came From the Cafeteria	Lerangis, <u>Peter</u>	The bloblike creature that Ethan Krantz cooked up as a science project has now invaded the cafeteria and shows no signs of leaving.
It's All Greek to Me	<u>Scieszka, Jon</u>	As they are about to go on stage, Joe, Fred, and Sam are transported back to the time of Zeus and the other gods in Greek mythology, who, strangely enough, behave much as the characters in the trio's class play.
Jacob's Rescue. A Holocaust Story	Drucker, <u>Malka</u>	In answer to his daughter's questions, a man recalls the terrifying years of his childhood when a brave Polish couple, Alex and Mela Roslan, hid him and other Jewish children from the Nazis. Based on a true story.
Jaguar	Smith, Roland	Jacob Lansa, 14, has just barely returned from Kenya and settled down to life in Poughkeepsie, NY, when his restless father, a wildlife biologist, is called away to a field project in Brazil.
Jake's Orphan	<u>Brooke, Margaret</u>	When taken from an orphanage to work on a farm in North Dakota in 1926, twelve-year-old Tree searches for a home not only for himself but also for his irrepressible younger brother.
James and the Giant Peach	Dahl, Roald	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.
Janitor's Boy, The	<u>Clements, Andrew</u>	Fifth grader Jack finds himself the target of ridicule at school when it becomes known that his father is one of the janitors, and he turns his anger onto his father.
Jason's Gold	Hobbs, Will	When news of the discovery of gold in Canada's Yukon Territory in 1897 reaches fifteen-year-old Jason, he embarks on a 10,000-mile journey to strike it rich.
Jim Ugly	<u>Fleischman, Sid</u>	Certain that his actor father is not dead, despite rumors to the contrary, twelve-year-old Jake Bannock sets out with his part-wolf dog, Jim Ugly, to find his father.
Jip: His Story	Paterson, <u>Katherine</u>	While living on a Vermont farm during 1855 and 1856, Jip learns his identity and that of his mother and comes to understand how he arrived at this place.
Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key	<u>Gantos, Jack</u>	As Joey struggles with Attention Deficit Hyperactive Disorder, he works extra hard to keep his behavior in check as he begins to feel incapable of doing anything right in the eyes of others.
Johnny Tremain	<u>Forbes, Esther</u>	After injuring his hand, a silversmith's apprentice in Boston becomes a messenger for the Sons of Liberty in the days before the American Revolution.
Journey into Terror	<u>Wallace, Bill</u>	Photographing two Learjets in order to test his new camera, Samuel Ross forgets the angry man who tries to stop him, but his new life in Oklahoma is disrupted by the arrival of four thugs who are demanding his film.

Julies of the Wolves	George, <u>Jean Craighead</u>	While running away from home and an unwanted marriage, a thirteen-year-old Eskimo girl becomes lost on the North Slope of Alaska and is befriended by a wolf pack.
Junie B. Jones – Smells Something Fishy	<u>Park, Barbara</u>	Frustrated because the rules for her class's Pet Day will not let her take her dog to school, Junie B. Jones considers taking a raccoon, a worm, a dead fish, and other unusual replacements.
Junie B. Jones –Is Not a Crook	<u>Park, Barbara</u>	Junie B. Jones experiences glee while showing off her new furry mittens in kindergarten, but disaster strikes when they disappear from the playground
Kid in the Red Jacket, The	<u>Park, Barbara</u>	When ten-year-old Howard has to move with his family to a distant state, he is forced to live on a street named Chester Pewe, adjust to a new school, and get used to being shadowed by the little girl in a nearby house.
Kid Who Only Hit Homers, The	Christopher, Matt	Sylvester loves playing baseball, but because he is not a very good hitter, he decides not to join the Redbirds. Then he meets the mysterious George Baruth, who just may be able to help Sylvester improve his game. But will Sylvester ever discover who Mr. Baruth really is?
Kids From Quiller’s Bend, The		
King of the Wind	<u>Henry, Marguerite</u>	Sham and the stable boy Agba travel from Morocco to France to England where, at last, Sham's majesty is recognized and he becomes the "Godolphin Arabian," ancestor of the most superior Thoroughbred horses.
Kite Fighters, The	<u>Park, Linda Sue</u>	In Korea in 1473, eleven-year-old Young-sup overcomes his rivalry with his older brother Kee-sup, who as the first-born son receives special treatment from their father, and combines his kite-flying skill with Kee-sup's kite-making skill in an attempt to win the New Year kite-fighting competition.
Kneeknock Rise	Babbitt, Natalie	A young boy named Eagen goes to visit relatives in the village of Instep. While there he becomes determined to uncover the mystery of Megrimnum--a creature that resides at the top of Kneeknock Rise.
Last Battle, The	Lewis, <u>C. S.</u>	When evil comes to Narnia, Jill and Eustace help fight the great last battle and Aslan leads his people to a new paradise.
Last Lobo, The	Smith, Roland	When Jake, a teenager, takes his grandfather on a visit to their Hopi tribal homeland in Arizona, he finds himself fighting to save an endangered Mexican wolf.
Last of the Really Great Whangdoodles, The	Edwards, Julie	With help from an eccentric professor who gives their imaginations special intensive training, three children succeed in locating the last of the great Whangdoodles and granting his heart's desire.
Legend of Jimmy Spoon, The	<u>Gregory, Kristiana</u>	Twelve-year-old runaway Jimmy Spoon is adopted by a Shoshoni family. In this story, which is based on historical fact, Jimmy learns how to adapt to the Native American way of life.
Legend of Sleepy Hollow, The	Irving, Wwashington	A superstitious schoolmaster, in love with a wealthy farmer's daughter, has a terrifying encounter with a headless horseman.
Leon’s Story	<u>Tillage, Leon Walter</u>	The son of a North Carolina sharecropper recalls the hard times faced by his family and other African Americans in the first half of the twentieth century and the changes that the civil rights movement helped bring about.
Liar	<u>Morris, Winifred</u>	Fourteen-year-old Alex leaves his self-destructive, emotionally abusive mother to live with his grandparents in Rimrock, Oregon, and as he begins a new life in a small rural community, he battles

		his impulses to fight, steal, and lie for survival.
Library Card, The	Spinelli, Jerry	The lives of four young people in different circumstances are changed by their encounters with books.
Lily's Crossing	<u>Giff, Patricia Reilly</u>	During a summer spent at Rockaway Beach in 1944, Lily's friendship with a young Hungarian refugee causes her to see the war and her own world differently.
Lion, the Witch, the Wardrobe, The	Lewis, C.S.	Four English schoolchildren find their way through the back of a wardrobe into the magic land of Narnia and assist its ruler, the golden lion Aslan, to triumph over the White Witch, who has cursed the land with eternal winter.
Long Way From Chicago: A Novel in Stories, A	Peck, Richard	A boy recounts his annual summer trips to rural Illinois with his sister during the Great Depression to visit their larger-than-life grandmother.
Long Winter, The	Wilder, <u>Laura Ingalls</u>	After an October blizzard, Laura's family moves from the claim shanty into town for the winter, a winter that an Indian has predicted will be seven months of bad weather.
Loser	<u>Spinelli, Jerry</u>	Zinkoff is unlike other kids in school and so doesn't worry about coming in last place or always having the wrong answers, despite the teasing and comments he gets from those around him, in a tale about maintaining individuality amidst pressures of fitting in with the crowd.
Love that Dog	<u>Creech, Sharon</u>	A young student, who comes to love poetry through a personal understanding of what different famous poems mean to him, surprises himself by writing his own inspired poem.
Love, Ruby Lavendar	Wiles, Debbie	When her quirky grandmother goes to Hawaii for the summer, nine-year-old Ruby learns to survive on her own in Mississippi by writing letters, befriending chickens as well as the new girl in town, and finally coping with her grandfather's death.
M.C. Higgins the Great	<u>Hamilton, Virginia</u>	Two strangers transform the life and knowledge of a young African American boy who dreams of escape from the strip-mining wounds and strangling routine of his Appalachian Mountains home
Magic Finger, The	<u>Dahl, Roald</u>	Angered by a neighboring family's sport hunting, an eight-year-old girl turns her magic finger on them.
Magic Tree House: Revolutionary War on Wednesday, The	Osbourne, Mary Pope	The Magic Tree House whisks Jack and Annie back to Colonial America. They arrive just as General George Washington is planning the crossing of the Delaware.
Magician's Nephew, The	Lewis, <u>C. S.</u>	This title is the story of two children in Victorian England who unwittingly take part in the (re)birth of the magical land of Narnia.
Maniac Magee	Spinelli, Jerry	After his parents die, Jeffrey Lionel Magee's life becomes legendary, as he accomplishes athletic and other feats which awe his contemporaries.
Marvin Redpost: Class President	Sachar, <u>Louis</u>	Even though they have all come to school in holey clothes, Marvin and his third grade class manage to impress their surprise visitor--the President of the United States.
Matilda	<u>Dahl, Roald</u>	Matilda, a brilliant, sensitive little girl, uses her talents and ingenuity to seek revenge on her crooked father, lazy mother, and the terrifying Miss Trunchbull, her wicked headmistress, and save her beloved teacher, Miss Honey
Million Dollar Shot, The	Gutman, <u>Dan</u>	Eleven-year-old Eddie gets a chance to win a million dollars by sinking a foul shot at the National Basketball Association finals.
Misty of Chincoteague	<u>Henry, Marguerite</u>	The determination of two youngsters to win a Chincoteague pony is greatly increased when the

		Phantom and her colt are among those rounded up for the yearly auction
Moccasin Trail	<u>McGraw, Eloise Jarvis</u>	A pioneer boy, brought up by Crow Indians, is reunited with his family and attempts to orient himself in the white man's culture.
Moon and I, The	Byar	While describing her humorous adventures with a blacksnake, Betsy Byars recounts childhood anecdotes and explains how she writes a book.
Moonlight Man, The	Fox, Paula	Fifteen-year-old Catherine and her father take their first joint vacation in Nova Scotia and finally get to know each other.
Morning Girl	<u>Dorris, Michael</u>	The story of Morning Girl and her brother, Star Boy, two Native Americans of the Taino tribe, their family, and their community, as they grow up together in the Bahamas in the fateful year of 1492.
Mouse and the Motorcycle, The	Cleary, <u>Beverly</u>	A reckless young mouse named Ralph makes friends with a boy in room 215 of the Mountain View Inn and discovers the joys of motorcycling.
Mr. Popper's Penguin	<u>Atwater, Richard Atwater, Florence</u>	With twelve penguins on his hands as pets, Mr. Popper finds himself unable to continue his occupation as a house painter.
Mr. President	<u>Sullivan, George</u>	Presents information on each of the forty presidents of the United States and describes the process of electing a president.
Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH	<u>O'Brien, Robert C.</u>	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.
Music of Dolphins, The	Hesse, Karen	After rescuing an adolescent girl from the sea, researchers learn she has been raised by dolphins and attempt to rehabilitate her to the human world.
My Brother Sam is Dead	<u>Collier, James Lincoln</u>	Recounts the tragedy that strikes the Meeker family during the American Revolution when one son joins the rebel forces while the rest of the family tries to stay neutral in a Tory town.
My Father and the Mad Professor	Odgers, Sally	
My Louisiana Sky	<u>Holt, Kimberly Willis</u>	Set in a small town in the 1950's South, Tiger Ann Parker lives a difficult life as she is constantly teased about her mentally slow parents, yet after they both die and her aunt moves in, Tiger Ann must decide to stay in the only home she knows or move on to new opportunities in the world.
My Side of the Mountain	<u>George, Jean Craighead</u>	Young Sam Gribble spends a winter alone in the Catskills by living off the land
Mystery of the Cupboard, The	Banks, <u>Lynne Reid</u>	After the family moves to the country to a house recently inherited by his mother, Omri finds many secrets revealed to him when he accidentally discovers the link between the house and the magic cupboard. Sequel to "The Secret of the Indian."
Nightmare	<u>Stine, R. L.</u>	Ross Arthur, a boy who can always talk his way out of trouble--and who does not care whether he tells the truth or not--finds himself in an alternate world, the home of his double, where he risks punishment as an "Intruder."
No More Dead Dogs	<u>Korman, Gordon</u>	Truthful Wallace gives a thumbs-down to a book much to the chagrin of his English teacher, who sentences him to help with a stage version of the book but is unaware that Wallace's plot-improvement suggestions will wind up changing the entire production.
No Trouble at All	<u>Grindley, Sally</u>	Grandfather Bear thinks his cubs are so wonderful, he cannot imagine them being naughty even though pictures show the little mischief-makers having a pillow fight, snatching jam from the kitchen, and sneaking outside while they're supposed to be in bed.

Number the Stars	Lowry, Lois	In 1943, during the German occupation of Denmark, ten-year-old Annemarie learns how to be brave and courageous when she helps shelter her Jewish friend from the Nazis.
Numbering all the Bones	<u>Rinaldi, Ann</u>	While most slaves are being freed now that the Civil War has ended, Eulinda's younger brother has been sold after being falsely accused of stealing and her older brother has run away, leaving thirteen-year-old Eulinda alone in a household headed by a cruel mistress and a master who will not acknowledge that Eulinda is his daughter.
Old Yeller	<u>Gipson, Frederick</u>	A faithful dog named Old Yeller helps a boy named Travis and his family survive life on the Texas frontier.
Onion John	<u>Krumgold, Joseph</u>	The friendship between Andy and the elderly Onion John--an immigrant handyman--becomes strained when Andy's father tries to change the old man's ways.
Out of the Darkness	<u>Brooke, Lauren</u>	In the hills of Virginia, Amy works to develop an emotional connection to Gallant Prince, a racehorse that has been severely traumatized in a stable fire.
Parachuting Hamsters	Adler, David A.	When Andy and his friend Tamika spend the weekend in the city with Tamika's aunt and uncle, he tries hard to follow all the rules of etiquette during outings to a French restaurant, an art museum, and the ballet, while using his detective skills to solve a mystery involving "parachuting" hamsters.
Peter Pan	Barrie, James Matthew	Peter, the boy who never grew up, teaches the Darling children how to fly and takes them to Never-Never Land where they have many adventures with pirates, fairies, and Indians.
Phantom Tollbooth, The	Juster, <u>Norton</u>	A journey through a land where Milo learns the importance of words and numbers and finds a cure for his boredom.
Philip Hall Likes Me. I Reckon Maybe	Greene, Bette	Eleven-year-old Beth thinks that Philip Hall likes her, but their on-again, off-again relationship sometimes makes her wonder.
Pictures of Hollis Woods	<u>Giff, Patricia Reilly</u>	After finding the perfect home with Josie, an elderly but forgetful artist, foster child Hollis Woods thinks she has finally found a stable place to hang her hat, but when Social Services decides that Josie may be better off in a home, Hollis won't let her dear friend get wrapped up in the system she despises.
Pocahontas	<u>Donnell, Susan</u>	The cherished daughter of the Great Chief Powhatan, Pocahontas helps the English colonists at Jamestown fight thirst and starvation and becomes the toast of the town while visiting London.
Poison Ivy and Eyebrow Wigs	<u>Pryor, Bonnie</u>	Nine-year-old Martin has a busy year in the fourth grade as he tries to find his own identity both at school and among his large and busy family.
Poppy	<u>Avi</u>	Poppy the deer mouse urges her family to move next to a field of corn big enough to feed them all forever, but Mr. Ocax, a terrifying owl, has other ideas.
Poppy and Rye	<u>Avi</u>	When their home next to a brook is destroyed by beavers, a large family of golden mice is aided by Poppy the deer mouse and her grumpy porcupine friend, who in the process forges a relationship with the son he had abandoned.
Prince Caspian	Lewis, <u>C. S.</u>	Peter, Susan, Edmund, and Lucy are returning to boarding school after a holiday, when Susan's magic horn summons them to the land of Narnia. The rightful King of Narnia, Prince Caspian, is battling the forces of his uncle, who has seized the throne
Quanah Parker	<u>Zemlicka, Shannon</u>	A biography of Quanah Parker, a spiritual and political leader of the Comanche people in the late

	<u>Knudsen, Shannon</u>	nineteenth and early twentieth centuries.
Rabbit Hill	<u>Lawson, Robert</u>	When a new family moves into the neighborhood the animals of Rabbit Hill are very curious about how these human inhabitants will act
Rascal	<u>North, Sterling</u>	The author recalls his carefree life in a small midwestern town at the close of World War I, and his adventures with his pet raccoon, Rascal.
Rasco and the Rats of NIMH	Conly, <u>Jane Leslie</u>	Timothy Frisby, a field mouse, and teams up with the adventurous young rat Rasco as together they try to prevent the destruction of a secret community of rats that can read and write.
Rats on the Roof and Other Stories	<u>Marshall, James</u>	Seven stories deal with various animals, including a frog with magnificent legs, a hungry brontosaurus, a mouse who gets married, and two dogs who send for a cat to get the rats off their roof.
Red Badge of Courage, The	Crane, Stephen	During his service in the Civil War a young Union soldier matures to manhood and finds peace of mind as he comes to grips with his conflicting emotions about war.
Regarding the Fountain	<u>Klise, Kate</u>	A hilarious tale of cross purposes is told in a series of letters between a no-nonsense suburban school principal and an especially creative designer of drinking fountains who dreams of building the grandest fountain ever.
Replica	<u>Bowker, Richard</u>	Brilliant young robotics researcher Shana York is kidnapped by agents of the United States government and blackmailed into creating an android replica of the President.
Report Card, The	Clements, Andrew	Fifth-grader Nora Rowley has always hidden the fact that she is a genius from everyone because all she wants is to be normal, but when she comes up with a plan to prove that grades are not important, things begin to get out of control.
Return of the Indian, The	Banks, <u>Lynne Reid</u>	A year after he sends his Indian friend, Little Bear, back into the magic cupboard, Omri decides to bring him back, only to find that he is close to death and in need of help. Sequel to "The Indian in the Cupboard."
Return of the Plant that Ate Dirty Socks, The	McArthur, Nancy	Vacation has arrived just in time to give Michael and Norman a chance to save their beloved sock-eating plants. The boys' parents have called for an end to the sock-eaters-and they haven't even learned that the troublemakers have started sprouting pods.
River Between Us, The	Peck, Richard	During the early days of the Civil War, the Pruitt family takes in two mysterious young ladies who have fled New Orleans to come north to Illinois.
River Runners	<u>Houston, James A.</u>	Two young boys, who have been sent into the Canadian interior to set up a fur-collecting station, are befriended by a Naskapi Indian family.
River, The	Paulsen, Gary	This sequel to Gary Paulsen's award-winning Hatchet, finds fifteen-year-old Brian returning to the Canadian wilderness where he had been stranded alone after a plane crash two years earlier.
Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry	Taylor D., Mildred	An African American family living in Mississippi during the Depression of the 1930s is faced with prejudice and discrimination which its children do not understand.
Sacajawea	<u>Burt, Olive Wooley</u>	Tells of the Shoshone woman who accompanied the Lewis and Clark Expedition, serving as the party's guide, interpreter, dietician, and nurse.
Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes	Coerr, <u>Eleanor</u>	Hospitalized with the dreaded atom bomb disease, leukemia, a child in Hiroshima races against time to fold one thousand paper cranes to verify the legend that by doing so a sick person will become

		healthy.
Sammy Keyes and the Hotel Thief	<u>Vandraanen, Wendelin</u>	Thirteen-year-old Sammy's penchant for speaking her mind gets her in trouble when she involves herself in the investigation of a robbery at the "seedy" hotel across the street from the seniors' building where she is living with her grandmother.
Sammy Keyes and the Sisters of Mercy	<u>Vandraanen, Wendelin</u>	Sammy continues to make life with her grandmother interesting as she tries to discover who is stealing from St. Mary's church, befriends a homeless girl, and plays in a softball tournament against a bitter rival.
Sammy Keys: The curse of moustache Mary	<u>Vandraanen, Wendelin</u>	While celebrating the New Year with a friend, Sammy encounters a mystery involving an elderly neighbor, a pioneer cabin, and a century-old family feud.
Sarah, Plain and Tall	<u>MacLachlan, Patricia</u>	When their father invites a mail-order bride to come live with them in their prairie home, Caleb and Anna are captivated by their new mother and hope that she will stay.
Sasquatch	<u>Landau, Elaine</u>	Introduces the unidentified apelike Sasquatch said to dwell in the Pacific Northwest, recounts sightings throughout history, and discusses the evidence and theories advanced about its existence.
Save Queen of Sheba	<u>Moeri, Louise</u>	Regaining consciousness after an ambush on his family's wagon train, twelve-year-old David learns that his parents have been killed and that he must assume responsibility for his younger sister on the barren plains.
School Mouse, The	Rosenberg, <u>Amye</u>	School Mouse enjoys his day at school.
Search for Delicious, The	Babbitt, <u>Natalie</u>	The Prime Minister of a mythical kingdom sets out to write a dictionary. Unfortunately, no one is able to come up with the perfect definition for the word "delicious." The Prime Minister's assistant, 12-year-old Gaylen, travels throughout the kingdom asking people for their definitions of the word.
Secret Garden	<u>Carr, M.J.</u>	A young orphan discovers a whole new world when she comes to live with her widowed uncle and crippled cousin, in a mysterious old house with a secret, long-abandoned garden.
Secret Garden, The	Burnett, <u>Frances Hodgson</u>	In this abridged adaptation of the classic novel, a lonely orphan discovers the wonders of a mysterious garden and befriends her invalid cousin.
Secret in the Old Book, The	Erwin, Vicki	Elizabeth explores an old house filled with books and encounters a mysterious boy trying to sell a first edition of a novel.
Secret Letters from 0-10	<u>Morgenstern, Susie</u>	Ernest's simple life is forever changed when Victoria arrives at his school and love strikes his heart, thus as the relationship develops, Ernest takes on a new approach to things as Victoria's zest for life inspires him in more ways than he had ever expected.
Secret of Plantform 13, The	Erwin, <u>Vicki Berger</u>	Elizabeth explores an old house filled with books and encounters a mysterious boy trying to sell a first edition of a novel.
Secret of the Forgotten Cave, The	Keene, <u>Carolyn</u>	Nancy has come to Connecticut to visit George's aunt Elizabeth, and lands right in the middle of a controversy. George's aunt, among others, proposes a bicycle path instead of widening a dangerously winding country road, in order to save a rare species of bat. But a threatening phone call, a sinister warning hanging in the doorway, and a sabotaged car convince Nancy that much more than the bats are at stake.
Seventh Crystal, The	Paulsen, Gary	Chris Masters finds himself in high-tech danger when he begins playing "The Seventh Crystal," a computer game that arrived in the mail one day without a return address.

Shadow Spinner	<u>Fletcher, Susan</u>	When Shahrazad needs help keeping the Sultan amused with an array of tales, she turns to Marjan for assistance, yet when Marjan runs out of tales to tell, she finds herself in a dangerous situation as she heads out to the city streets in a mad search for new stories.
Shiloh	<u>Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds</u>	Despite his poverty, Marty Preston dreams of having his own dog, and he gets his chance when a puppy belonging to his cruel neighbor, Judd Travers, runs away and is hidden by Marty.
Shoeless Joe and Me	Gutman, Dan	When Joe Shotshak travels back in time to meet his baseball idol, Shoeless Joe Jackson, he discovers a plot where some of the players are being bribed in order to alter the outcome of the World Series.
Sign of the Beaver, The	Speare, <u>Elizabeth George</u>	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.
Silver Chair, The	Lewis, <u>C. S.</u>	Two English children undergo hair-raising adventures as they go on a search and rescue mission for the missing Prince Rilian, who is held captive in the underground kingdom of the Emerald Witch
Sing Down the Moon	<u>O'Dell, Scott</u>	In the 1860's, Bright Morning, Running Bird, and their Navajo kinsmen are forced to abandon their homes after Spanish soldiers destroy their crops
Skitterbrain	<u>Brown, Irene</u>	A young pioneer and her spunky companion follow a large cattle herd across the empty prairie in search of a runaway cow.
Skull of Truth, The	Coville, <u>Bruce</u>	Charlie, a sixth-grader with a compulsion to tell lies, acquires a mysterious skull that forces its owner to tell only the truth, causing some awkward moments before he understands its power.
Snail Mail No More	<u>Danziger, Paula Martin, Ann M.</u>	In a follow-up to P.S. Longer Letter Later, Elizabeth and Tara*Starr have found a new way to communicate via e-mail, yet the speed of their letters may not be enough to keep their long-distance friendship alive, as certain events challenge their special bond.
Sniper	Taylor, Theodore	Fifteen-year-old Ben must cope alone when a mysterious sniper begins shooting the big cats in his family's private zoological preserve.
Snow Treasure	<u>McSwigan, Marie</u>	An actual incident in which Norwegian children smuggled gold past the Nazis is the basis for this story of courage and patriotism.
SOS Titanic	<u>Bunting, Eve</u>	Journeying to New York aboard the Titanic, Barry O'Neill resists leaving his grandparent's loving home to reunite with his parents and worries about the bullying Flynn brothers, only to find himself in the middle of a disaster.
Sounder	<u>William H. Armstrong</u>	Angry and humiliated when his sharecropper father is jailed for stealing food for his family, a young African American boy grows in courage and understanding by learning to read and through his relationship with his devoted dog Sounder.
Squanto: Friend of the Pilgrims	<u>Bulla, Clyde Robert</u>	An Indian helps the Pilgrims make peace with Chief Massasoit's tribe.
Star Wars Jedi Quest #2: The Trail of the Jedi	<u>Watson, Jude</u>	Obi-Wan Kenobi and his apprentice, Anakin Skywalker, set out to find an unknown adversary with plans to destroy the Republic, hindered by their enemy's wealth, connections, and ability to remain hidden.
Stargirl	Spinelli, Jerry	Although Stargirl is shunned by many at school for her unique presence, Leo Borlock, a fellow classmate, finds her inspiring and soon finds himself head-over-heels in love.
Stone Fox	Gardiner, John Reynolds	In spite of tremendous odds, a ten-year-old boy and his dog are determined to win a dogsled race and the five-hundred-dollar prize.

Strawberry Hill	<u>Lafaye, A.</u>	During the summer of 1976, twelve-year-old Raleia Pendle feels like a misfit with her hippie parents and begins a friendship with the town recluse.
Strider	Cleary, Beverly	In the sequel to the Newbery Medal-winning Dear Mr. Henshaw, an abandoned dog helps young Leigh catch the eye of the high school track coach and heal the wounds inflicted by his parents' recent divorce.
Summer of my German Soldier	Greene, Bette	Patty Bergen, an unhappy Jewish girl living in Arkansas, shelters a pacifist German POW who escaped from a local prison compound, and she must face the wrath and hatred of her family and her town for her actions.
Summer of the Swans, The	Byars, Betsy	A teenage girl gains new insight into herself and her family when her mentally handicapped brother gets lost.
Summer Pony	Doty, <u>Jean Slaughter</u>	Disappointed with the half-starved and unkempt pony she has rented for the summer, Ginny hesitantly tries to do something with her.
Sun and Spoon	<u>Henkes, Kevin</u>	After Spoon Gilmore's grandmother dies, he begins to worry that he may forget about her as time goes on, until he tries the perfect item that will always remind him of her and their special times together.
Surviving the Applewhites	<u>Tolan, Stephanie S.</u>	Having been thrown out of every school in his home state, Jake Semple arrives at the Creative Academy, a special school run by an unusual and outspoken family, where he is soon befriended by a girl who helps him cope with the wackiness of his new surroundings.
Sweet Friday Island	Taylor, Theodore	Vacationing on what they think is an uninhabited island, fifteen-year-old Peg and her father find their adventure turned into a fight for survival.
Swiss Family Robinson, The	<u>Wyss, J. R.</u>	Wyss's timeless classic is about an industrious Swiss family that miraculously survives shipwreck and builds paradise on an island populated by an impossibly rich array of plants and animals.
Thank You, Jackie Robinson	<u>Cohen, Barbara</u>	Sam Green shares a love for baseball and the Brooklyn Dodgers with Davy, an older man who works for Sam's mother, in a tale set in the 1940s.
There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom	Sachar, <u>Louis</u>	An unmanageable, but lovable, eleven-year-old misfit learns to believe in himself when he gets to know the new school counselor, who is a sort of misfit too.
Thief in the Village and other stories of Jamaica, A	Berry, James	A collection of nine short stories about life in contemporary Jamaica, covering such subjects as a young boy's desire to buy shoes for the cricket team and a girl's adventures on a coconut plantation.
Through my Eyes	Bridges, Ruby	Surrounded by federal marshals, 6-year-old Ruby Bridges became the first black student ever at the all-white William Frantz Public School in New Orleans, Louisiana, on November 14, 1960.
Thunder on the Tennessee	Wisler, <u>G. Clifton</u>	Following his father's example, sixteen-year old Willie Delamer joins the Second Texas Regiment and leaves his beloved Texas to fight for the Confederacy.
Time Cat	Alexander, <u>Lloyd</u>	Jason and his magic cat Gareth travel through time to visit countries all over the world during different periods of history.
Time Warp Trio: Knights of the Kitchen Table, The	<u>Sczieska, Jon</u>	Whether the gang's fighting off the Black Knight in the middle of Camelot, practicing magic tricks on Blackbeard and his pirates, stampeding cattle in the Old West, or running from a woolly mammoth, one thing is for sure: no one's ever bored when the Time Warp Trio's around!
Timothy of the Cay	Taylor, <u>Theodore</u>	Having survived being blinded and shipwrecked on a tiny Caribbean island with the old black man Timothy, twelve-year-old white Phillip is rescued and hopes to regain his sight with an operation.

		Alternate chapters follow the life of Timothy from his days as a young cabin boy
Tom Sawyer	Twain, Mark	A simplified retelling of the classic story of the mischievous 19th-century boy in a Mississippi River town and his friends, Huck Finn and Becky Thatcher, as they run away from home, witness a murder, and find treasure in a cave.
Traitor Among the Boys, A	Reynolds Naylor, Phyllis	Young Peter Hartford doesn't understand his brothers' rivalry with the Malloy sisters, and gladly confides the boys' secret plot against the girls in return for homemade cookies.
Troubles with Explosives	Kelley, <u>Sally</u>	For the umpteenth time Polly is in a new school stuttering through her name. Little does she know that this time may be the last.
True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle, The	<u>Avi</u>	Thirteen-year-old Charlotte Doyle relies on her resourcefulness to survive an 1832 voyage aboard the "Seahawk" commanded by the murderous Jaggery, as she assumes sailor's garb and is accused of murder.
Tuck Everlasting	Babbitt, Natalie Hearne, Betsy	The Tuck family is confronted with an agonizing situation when they discover that a ten-year-old girl and a malicious stranger now share their secret about a spring whose water prevents one from ever growing older.
Twits	Dahl, <u>Roald</u>	The misadventures of two terrible old people who enjoy playing nasty tricks and are finally outwitted by a family of monkeys.
Uncivil War, The	<u>Klass, Sheila Solomon</u>	Having the name Asa Alfita Anderson is not easy for a young girl and only becomes more difficult when a mean-spirited boy suddenly joins the class, but with a name like Robert E. Lee, she does not feel he should be teasing anyone--and the battle begins.
Under the Cat's Eye	Rubinstein, <u>Gillian</u>	Jai and his friends at a boarding school join forces with shape-shifters in their attempt to defeat the headmaster who steals the souls and futures of the students.
Undying Glory	Cox, Clinton	This book details the history of the Massachusetts 54th Regiment, a black regiment that served with valor and distinction in the Civil War.
Utterly Yours, Booker Jones	Duffey, <u>Betsy</u>	Middle school student and aspiring author Booker Jones is evicted from his bedroom when his grandfather moves in, creating problems both at home and at school.
Voices After Midnight	Peck, <u>Richard</u>	Living with their sister and parents in a rented house in New York City during the summer, Chad and Luke uncover a mystery involving the former tenants of the house when the two brothers slip back in time to 1888.
Voyage of the Dawn Treader, The	<u>Lewis, C. S.</u>	Lucy and Edmund, accompanied by their peevish cousin Eustace, sail to the land of Narnia, where Eustace is transformed temporarily into a green dragon because of his selfish behavior and skepticism.
Walk Two Moons	Creech, Sharon	After her mother leaves home suddenly, thirteen-year-old Sal and her grandparents take a car trip retracing her mother's route. Along the way, Sal recounts the story of her friend Phoebe, whose mother also left.
Wanderer	Creech, Sharon	Thirteen-year-old Sophie and her cousin Cody record their transatlantic crossing aboard the Wanderer, a forty-five foot sailboat, which, along with uncles and another cousin, is en route to visit their grandfather in England.

Wanderer, The	<u>Leiber, Fritz</u>	Dramatizes the varied reactions of people from all parts of the world when a stray planet enters the solar system and contacts Earth.
War with Grandpa, The	<u>Smith, Robert Kimmel</u>	Peter becomes determined to get his room back after he is forced to give it up to his grandfather.
Warrior for Freedom		
Watch Out- Man Eating Snake	Giff, <u>Patricia Reilly</u>	Stacy, a kindergartner tells the kids at school that she has a man-eating snake at home, and her older sister Emily gives her advice on making friends.
Watson's Go to Birmingham – 1963, The	Curtis, Christopher Paul	This story follows the Watsons, an African American family living in Flint, Michigan, as they travel south to visit their grandmother in Alabama. There they are confronted with the 1963 bombing of black churches. The book combines humorous characterization with important history. This selection is useful for fifth- and eighth-grade history studies.
Wayside School Series	Sachar, Louis	Mrs. Jewls, the teacher atop the school, is out on maternity leave and her students find themselves facing three consecutive substitutes: Mr. Gorf, who steals kids' voices; Mrs. Drazil, who can be super sweet or sociopathically sour depending on the class's adherence to her rules; and, finally, the mind-reading and malicious Miss Nogard, who has the disturbing desire to turn students against one another.
Well Wished	Billingsley, <u>Franny</u>	In a time of dire need, eleven-year-old Nuria tries to outwit the magical wishing well in her mysterious mountain village.
Westing Game, The	<u>Raskin, Ellen</u>	Each of the sixteen people invited to the reading of a very strange will are given \$10,000, a set of clues, and the chance to become a millionaire.
When Zachary Beaver Came to Town	Holt, <u>Kimberly Willis</u>	During the summer of 1971 in a small Texas town, thirteen-year-old Toby and his best friend Cal meet the star of a sideshow act, 600-pound Zachary, the heaviest boy in the world.
Where the Red Fern Grows	Rawls, <u>Wilson</u>	A young boy living in the Ozarks achieves his heart's desire when he becomes the owner of two redbone hounds and teaches them to be champion hunters.
Whipping Boy, The	Fleischman, Sid	A bratty prince and his whipping boy have many adventures when they inadvertently trade places after becoming involved with dangerous outlaws.
White Fang	London, <u>Jack</u>	The adventures in the northern wilderness of a dog that is part wolf and how he comes to make his peace with man.
White Water	Petersen, <u>P. J.</u>	Greg confronts his own fears and assumes a leadership role when his father is bitten by a rattlesnake during a white-water rafting trip.
Who Comes with Cannons?	Beatty, <u>Patricia</u>	In 1861 twelve-year-old Truth, a Quaker girl from Indiana, is staying with relatives who run a North Carolina station of the Underground Railroad, when her world is changed by the beginning of the Civil War.
Who Ran My Underwear Up the Flag Pole?	Spinelli, <u>Jerry</u>	In this uproariously funny novel, four sixth-grade misfits get involved in the school's football season as cheerleader, player, team manager, and band leader.
Who was Ben Franklin?	Fradin, Dennis Brendall	This is an often funny, always engaging introduction to one of America's most fascinating founding fathers. Franklin is affectionately and respectfully depicted as a man of insatiable intellectual curiosity with a tireless creative and inventive mind who played indispensable roles in the War for Independence and the establishment of the U.S. government.

Who was Harry Houdini	Sutherland, <u>Tui T.</u>	A biography of the famous magician who was also a movie star and a pioneer pilot.
Wings	Steel, <u>Danielle</u>	Cassie O'Malley's father dreamed of giving birth to a flyboy, not a flygirl. But Cassie is the O'Malley with the skill and desire to make her a world class pilot. Although her sex and record-breaking flights propel her to stardom, Cassie must eventually choose between fulfilling the expectations of others and meeting her own needs.
Witch of Blackbird Pond, The	<u>Speare</u> , Elizabeth George	In 1687 in Connecticut, Kit Tyler, feeling out of place in the Puritan household of her aunt, befriends an old woman considered a witch by the community and suddenly finds herself standing trial for witchcraft.
Wood Song	Paulsen, Gary	An autobiographical book that gives through spare but vivid language a look at a man who thought, because he was a hunter and a trapper that he knew about the outdoors. Instead, he discovered he knew very little until he opened himself to the realities of predators and prey, and to the lessons taught to him by the animals he encountered and the sled dogs he trained and raced.
Woodland Mysteries	Schultz, <u>Irene</u>	Suspense novels that encourage reluctant readers.
Word Eater, The	Amato, <u>Mary</u>	Lerner Chanse, a new student at Cleveland Park Middle School, finds a worm that magically makes things disappear, and she hopes it will help her fit in, or get revenge, at her hated school.
Words of Stone	Henkes, <u>Kevin</u>	Busy trying to deal with his many fears and his troubled feelings for his dead mother, ten-year-old Blaze has his life changed when he meets the boisterous and irresistible Joselle.
World at her Fingertips, The	Dash, <u>Joan</u>	This biography of Helen Keller examines her childhood as well as her adult life when she emerged as a radical thinker and a popular presence on both the lecture and vaudeville circuits.
World's Worst Fairy Godmother, The	Coville, <u>Bruce</u>	Every spell Maybelle Clodnowski casts seems to backfire causing magical mix-ups that throw the entire town into an uproar. Then she discovers a secret enemy is working against her. Can a good heart triumph over bad magic? Or will Maybelle find herself facing a fate worse than death?
Worn Tunnel, The	Dahl, Michael	Finnegan Zwake, Uncle Stoppard, and Jared Lemon-Olsen are off to Aguilar--but not for sight-seeing. They're going to the former campsite of Finnegan's legally-dead parents to dig up a golden crocodile which his father had buried under their tent.
Wright Brothers at Kitty Hawk, The	Sobol, <u>Donald</u>	A biography of aviators Orville and Wilbur Wright and their historic first flight at Kitty Hawk.
Year Down Yonder, A	Peck, Richard	Text and illustrations present the life of the boy born on the Kentucky frontier who became the sixteenth president of the United States.
Year of Miss Agnes, The	<u>Kirkpatrick Hill</u>	Ten-year-old Fred (short for Frederika) narrates the story of school and village life among the Athapascans in Alaska during 1948 when Miss Agnes arrived as the new teacher.
Yolonda's Genius	Fenner, <u>Carol</u>	After moving from Chicago to Grand River, Michigan, fifth grader Yolonda determines to prove that her younger brother is not a slow learner but a true musical genius.
You're a Brave Man Julius Zimmerman	Mills, <u>Claudia</u>	Twelve-year-old Julius has his hands full over the summer when his mother attempts to improve his grades and teach him responsibility by signing him up for a French class and getting him a job babysitting.

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<b>Book title</b>	<b>Author</b>	<b>Summary</b>
20,000 Leagues Under the Sea	Jules Vern	Descending beneath the sea in his secret submarine, the Nautilus, Captain Nemo and his crew terrorize other ships.
Absolutely Normal Chaos	Sharon Creech	Thirteen-year-old Mary Lou grows up considerably during the summer while learning about romance, homesickness, death, and her cousin's search for his biological father.
Across Five Aprils	Irene Hunt	Young Jethro Creighton grows from a boy to a man when he is left to take care of the family farm in Illinois during the difficult years of the Civil War.
Adam of the Road	Elizabeth Janet Gray	The adventures of eleven-year-old Adam as he travels the open roads of thirteenth-century England searching for his missing father, a minstrel, and his stolen red spaniel, Nick.
Adventures of Captain Underpants, The	Dav Pilkey	When George and Harold hypnotize their principal into thinking that he is the superhero Captain Underpants, he leads them to the lair of the Dr. Diaper, where they must defeat his evil robot henchmen.
Adventures of Huckleberry Finn	Mark Twain	Huck, escaping from his father, who had imprisoned him in a lonely cabin, meets Jim, a runaway slave, on Jackson's Island on the Mississippi River. Together they float down the Mississippi in this classic about friendship and caring. Dialogue reflects local dialect of the times.
Adventures of Sherlock Holmes, The	Arthur Conan Doyle	It was these tales penned by Arthur Conan Doyle that first introduced the magical and eccentric character of Sherlock Holmes to the readers of <i>The Strand Magazine</i> . In his consulting room at 221B Baker Street, the master sleuth receives a stream of clients all presenting him with baffling and bizarre puzzles for him to solve.
Adventures of Tom Sawyer, The	Mark Twain	The adventures of a mischievous young boy and his friends growing up in a Mississippi River town in the nineteenth century.
Alice in Wonderland	Lewis Carroll	A British mathematician tells a tale of high adventure underground, including mathematical and verbal riddles. This children's classic has many unforgettable characters.
Aliens Ate my Homework	Bruce Coville	Rod is surprised when a miniature spaceship lands in his school science project and reveals five tiny aliens, who ask his help in apprehending an interstellar criminal.
All the World's a Stage!	Rebecca Piatt Davidson	A picture-book tribute to Shakespeare and nine of his well-known plays. The poem brings to life characters ranging from the long-lost twins in The Comedy of Errors to the star-crossed lovers of Romeo and Juliet.
Amelia Earhart	Jane <u>Sutcliffe</u>	Traces the life of the famous pilot, focusing on her record setting flights in the 1920s and 1930s and her inspiration to other women.
Among the Hidden	Margaret Peterson Haddix	In a future where the Population Police enforce the law that limits a family to only two children, third-child Luke lives in isolation and fear on his family's farm. Eventually the twelve-year-old encounters another "third" child, who convinces him that the government is wrong.

And Now Miguel	Joseph Krumgold	Twelve-year-old Miguel Chavez aspires to be allowed to go on the long annual sheep drive with the older men of his family. When he attempts to prove his readiness, his requests are ignored, so he prays to the saint of farmers, San Ysidro. His prayer is answered, but the journey proves treacherous for Miguel.
Anne of green Gables	L. M. Montgomery	Anne, an eleven-year-old orphan, is sent by mistake to live with a lonely, middle-aged brother and sister on a Prince Edward Island farm and proceeds to make an indelible impression on everyone around her.
April Morning	Howard Fast	A novel about the Battle of Lexington, which took place on April 19, 1775.
Arabian Nights	Anonymous	Sheherezade, daughter of King Shahryar's advisor, tells her husband a different story every night to keep the king from killing her.
Around the World in 80 days	Jules Verne	In 1872 Phileas Fogg wins a bet by traveling around the world in seventy-nine days, twenty-three hours, and fifty-seven minutes.
Artemis Fowl	Eoin Colfer	When a twelve-year-old evil genius tries to restore his family fortune by capturing a fairy and demanding a ransom in gold, the fairies fight back with magic, technology, and a particularly nasty troll.
At Her Majesty's Request	Walter Dean Myers	Sarah Forbes Bonetta was an African princess whose parents were murdered by enemy warriors. A British naval officer rescued her and brought her to England, where she became the protégé of Queen Victoria herself.
Bad Case of Stripes	David Shannon	Camilla Cream loves lima beans but won't eat them because her friends hate them. Her constant concern over what others think of her causes Camilla to break out in a "bad case of stripes," for which she finally finds the perfect solution.
Bad Day at Riverbed	Lynn Stone	Describes the anatomy, life cycle, and behavior of the bald eagle.
Ballad of Lucy Whipple	Karen Cushman	In 1849, twelve-year-old California Morning Whipple, who renames herself Lucy, is distraught when her mother moves the family from Massachusetts to a rough California mining town.
Battle for the Castle, The	Elizabeth Winthrop	Twelve-year-old William uses the magic token to return, through the toy castle in his attic, to the medieval land of Sir Simon, which is now menaced by a skeleton ship bearing a plague of ravenous rats.
Because of Winn Dixie	Kate DiCamillo	When Opal and her father, the preacher, move to Florida, Opal goes into a Winn-Dixie supermarket and comes out with a dog. With the help of her new pal, Opal makes a variety of new, interesting friends. She spends the summer collecting stories about them and thinking about her absent mother.
Belle Teal	Ann M. Martin	Belle Teal Harper is from a poor family in the country and beginning fifth-grade is a challenge as her grandmother's memory is slipping away and her brother and father are fighting again.
Bernie Magruder and the Bats in the Belfry	Phyllis Reynolds Naylor	There are strange goings-on once again in Middleburg, and Bernie Magruder is determined to get to the bottom of things, and maybe get his picture in the paper in the process. Someone has put up posters all over town warning townspeople that the dreaded Indiana Aztec bat, whose bite is often fatal, has been sighted in the area.
Between the Dragon and the Eagle	Mical Schneider	A relay of courageous adventure-seekers forms caravans to transport precious items including a special blue silk along the Silk Road in the year 100 A.D.

BFG	Roald Dahl	Kid snatched from her orphanage by a BFG (Big Friendly Giant), who spends his life blowing happy dreams to children, Sophie concocts with him a plan to save the world from nine other man-gobbling cannybull giants.
Big Red	<u>Jim A. Kjelgaard</u>	A story about an orphaned French Canadian boy and his red setter, Big Red.
Bird's Christmas Carol, The	Kate D. Wiggin	A well-known Christmas story, first published in 1888, which has both humor and sadness.
Black Beauty	Anna Sweall	A handsome horse with a glossy black coat and a pretty white star on his forehead, Black Beauty seems to lead a charmed life. Although his mother warns him that there are 'bad, cruel men' in the world, he begins his life in a happy home, with a friendly groom to look after him and plenty to eat. However, when a change of circumstances means that he is sold, he soon discovers the truth of his mother's words.
Black Pearl, The	Scott O'Dell	A coming-of-age story in which Ramon learns the family art of pearl diving and respect for the legend that surrounds the giant pearl he finds in a sea creature's cave.
Boy Who Saved Baseball, The	John H. Ritter	The fate of a small California town rests on the outcome of one baseball game, and Tom Gallagher hopes to lead his team to victory with the secrets of the now disgraced player, Dante Del Gato.
Boy's Will and North of Boston, A	Robert Frost	Here in one volume are Robert Frost's first two collections of poetry. <i>A Boy's Will</i> (1913) is the book that introduced readers to Frost's unmistakable poetic voice, and <i>North of Boston</i> (1914) includes two of his most famous poems, "Mending Wall" and "Death of a Hired Man."
Brian's Return	Gary Paulsen	After having survived alone in the wilderness, Brian finds that he can no longer live in the city but must return to the place where he really belongs.
Brian's Song		The story of football players Gale Sayers and his friend Brian Piccolo.
Brian's Winter	Gary Paulsen	The story of what would have happened to Brian had he not been rescued before the icy Canadian winter.
Brocaded Slipper and other Vietnamese Tales	<u>Lynette Vuong</u>	The five fairy tales presented here offer an exotic twist to such traditional stories as Thumbelina and Rip Van Winkle.
Bud, Not Buddy	Christopher Paul Curtis	Ten-year-old Bud - "not Buddy" - Caldwell is an orphan on the run during the Great Depression. He escapes from an abusive foster home to find the man he believes to be his father. One dilemma after another uncovers a tough character who perseveres and triumphs in his quest.
Bunnicula	Deborah Howe	Though scoffed at by Harold the dog, Chester the cat tries to warn his human family that their foundling baby bunny must be a vampire.
Call it Courage	Armstrong SPerry	Ever since his mother was killed in a hurricane, Mafatu, the son of the Great Chief of the people of Hikuera, an island in the southern Pacific ocean, has feared that Moana, the Sea God, would kill him, too. Tired of being called a coward and saddened by the shame he has brought his father, 12-year-old Mafatu decides to face and conquer Moana on his own.
Call of the Wild, The	Jack London	Tells the story of the magnificent dog Buck, who is a loyal pet until cruel men make him a pawn in their search for the gold of the Klondike, where he breaks free and becomes the leader of a ferocious wolf pack.
Catherine Called Birdie	Karen Cushman	The thirteen-year-old daughter of an English country knight keeps a journal in which she records the events of her life, particularly her longing for adventures beyond the usual role of women and her efforts to avoid being married off.

Cay, The	Theodore Taylor	When the freighter on which they are traveling is torpedoed by a German submarine during World War II, an adolescent white boy, blinded by a blow on the head, and an old black man are stranded on a tiny Caribbean island where the boy acquires a new kind of vision and courage, with help from his old companion.
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory	Roald Dahl	Charlie Bucket, so poor that he can only afford one candy bar a year, wins candy for life and a tour of Willie Wonka's top-secret chocolate factory. There are four other prizewinners, each a selfish child with a nasty personality. The story is filled with excitement, fantasy, humor, and moral lessons. This selection is the first of a series about Charlie Bucket.
Chocolate Fever	Robert Kimmel Smith	Chocolate lovers will identify with Henry Green who eats chocolate wherever and however he wants. What a shock when he breaks out in a rash of brown spots that smell like chocolate! After running away from the doctor at the hospital, Henry stands up to a gang of boys, hitches a ride with a truck driver and is hijacked along with him.
Chocolate Touch, The	Patrick Skene Catling	The story tells of the two days after John acquired the chocolate touch-the magic that turned everything his lips touched into chocolate. At first, John was elated with his discovery. Now at last he could have all the chocolate he wanted. Chocolate toothpaste was delicious; chocolate bacon and chocolate eggs were even better. But soon he began to get awfully thirsty, and before the day was over John suspected that his sweet dream-come-true might have its bitter side.
Chocolate War	Robert Cormier	Does Jerry Renault dare to disturb the universe? You wouldn't think that his refusal to sell chocolates during his school's fundraiser would create such a stir, but it does; it's as if the whole school comes apart at the seams.
Crispin: The Cross of Lead	Avi	Set in 14 <sup>th</sup> -century England; the story begins with the funeral of an outcast woman who leaves behind her adolescent son, who is only known as "Asta's son". Mired in grief for his mother, the boy learns his given name, Crispin, from the village priest, although his presumably dead father's identity remains obscure. The words etched on his mother's treasured lead cross may provide some clue, but the priest is murdered before he can tell the illiterate lad what they say. Worse, Crispin is fingered for the murder by the manor steward, and he is forced to flee the village and the only life he's ever known. Crispin is a story of self-discovery and identity.
Christmas Carol, A	Charles Dickens	Scrooge was a miser. His money was his life. Then, one Christmas Eve, Scrooge received a trio of visitors who showed him not only the true meaning of Christmas, but the true meaning of his life as well...Probably one of the most beloved Christmas stories in history, Charles Dickens' <i>A Christmas Carol</i> has it all: heroes, villains, ghosts, time travel, long-lost love, and a happy ending.
Christmas Rat	Avi	Alone in his apartment during Christmas vacation, eleven-year-old Eric finds himself caught in a battle between a strange exterminator and the rat he wants to kill.
City of Ember, The	Jeanne Duprau	In the year 241, 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.
Clay Marble	Minfong Ho	Dara's is one of the thousands of Cambodian families separated or destroyed by war, but there is hope as she and her brother and mother head for a refugee camp on the Thailand border. Once safely there, Dara makes friends with Jantu. When the camp is bombed, Jantu makes a magic marble out of clay that helps Dara track down her family and then return to the hospital for Jantu and her brother.

Cloud catcher	Alethea McCollin	A town is suffering severe drought. As the effects of the drought persist, one young man decides that he must do something to bring relief to his city. After trying several rain dances without success he makes up his mind to capture the clouds and obtain water from them.
Coraline	Neil Gaiman	Coraline lives with her preoccupied parents in part of a huge old house--a house so huge that other people live in it, too. Coraline contents herself for weeks with exploring the vast garden and grounds. But with a little rain she becomes bored--so bored that she begins to count everything blue, the windows, and the doors. And it is the 14th door that--sometimes blocked with a wall of bricks--opens up for Coraline into an entirely alternate universe.
Corner of the Universe, A	Ann Martin	Told from the perspective of a compassionate 12 year old girl, A Corner of the Universe tells the story of a girl's uneventful summer that is twist-turned upside down when her uncle who is said to have "mental problems" comes to town for a visit. With characteristic tenderness and wisdom the author portrays the complex relationship between the sympathetic heroine and her uncle. Readers will relate to the heroine's fear of being as "different" as her uncle, and will also admire her willingness to befriend an outcast.
Day No Pigs Would Die, A	Robert Newton Peck	To a thirteen-year-old Vermont farm boy whose father slaughters pigs for a living, maturity comes early as he learns "doing what's got to be done," especially regarding his pet pig who cannot produce a litter.
Dead Sea Scrolls	<u>Theodor Herzl Gaster</u>	This volume contains the translated text of the ancient Hebrew writings found in caves near the Dead Sea, plus separate introductions for each scroll as well as new translations of the Hymns and paraphrases of the Bible narratives by Professor Gaster, one of the world's leading Hebraists.
Dear America – Mirror, Mirror on the Wall	Barry Denenberg	In 1932, a twelve-year-old girl who lost her sight in an accident keeps a diary, recorded by her twin sister, in which she describes life at Perkins School for the Blind in Watertown, Massachusetts.
Dear America – My Secret War	Mary Pope Osborne	Thirteen-year-old Madeline's diaries for 1941 and 1942 reveal her experiences living on Long Island during World War II while her father is away in the Navy.
Dear Mr. Henshaw	Beverly Cleary	Leigh Botts, now a sixth-grader, began writing to his favorite author, Boyd Henshaw, when Leigh was in the second grade. The reader journeys with Leigh and learns how he adjusts to new situations, including the absence of his father from the home.
Deep-Sea Explorer – the Story of Robert Ballard, Discoverer of the Titanic	Rick Archbold	This fast-paced biography begins with a description of Ballard's first view of the wreckage of the Titanic and then flashes back to his childhood by the Pacific Ocean. The twists and turns his life took, which led to his pioneering work in undersea exploration, are then described. The man's brash, sometimes abrasive, personality comes through, along with his determination in the face of setbacks and obstacles, resulting in a multifaceted portrayal.
DIVE, Book One: The Discovery	Gordon Korman	When four kids are recruited as interns for the Poseidon Oceanographic Institute, they expect cool underwater diving in the warm Caribbean waters. But Taz Cutter and the other leaders ignore them, and Dante, Adriana, Kaz, and Star begin wondering about the true mission of their "scientific research." After they discover an old anchor and a silver coin -- and learn plenty about sharks, firsthand -- the four interns realize they're really helping lead a group of treasure hunters to sunken gold.

Divorce Express, The	<a href="#">Paula Danziger</a>	Resentful of her parents' divorce, a young girl tries to accommodate herself to their new lives and also find a place for herself.
Doll People, The	Ann M. Martin	A family of porcelain dolls that has lived in the same house for one hundred years is taken aback when a new family of plastic dolls arrives and doesn't follow The Doll Code of Honor.
Double – Digit Club, The	Marion Dane Bauer	Nine-year-old Sarah is excited about summer vacation, but she faces unexpected crises when her best friend Paige becomes old enough to join a local girls' clique, and when she makes choices which affect her relationship with an elderly blind neighbor.
Double Fudge	Judy Blume	His younger brother's obsession with money and the discovery of long-lost cousins Flora and Fauna provide many embarrassing moments for twelve-year-old Peter.
Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde and Other Stories	Robert Louis Stevenson	<i>The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr. Hyde</i> is a masterpiece of Victorian literature, and one of the most potent and enduring of modern myths. The adventures of Prince Florizel of Bohemia and his running battle with the sinister machinations of the Suicide Club are also included in this volume as well as <i>'The Body Snatchers'</i> , <i>'Markheim'</i> and <i>'Olalla'</i> : three of Stevenson's memorable and well observed short stories, which deal with similarly gothic themes
Dragon's Gate	Laurence Yep	When he accidentally kills a Manchu, a fifteen-year-old Chinese boy is sent to America to join his father, an uncle, and other Chinese working to build a tunnel for the transcontinental railroad through the Sierra Nevada mountains in 1867. Sequel to "Mountain light."
Dream Boat	Marilyn Todd	Claudia Seferius is broke, so when her teenage stepdaughter Flavia is abducted, she can't just throw money at the problem. With the Games of Apollo, a series of festivals and frolics, due to start in two days, Claudia has saddled herself with the job of playing tag with the kidnapper.
Drifting Snow	Houston	Having been taken from her Arctic home when a tiny child, a teenager returns to look for her parents and learn once again about her Eskimo culture
Egypt Game, The	<a href="#">Zilpha Keatley Snyder</a>	The A-Z Antique Shop is a shabby store run by an older man known as the Professor. The shop's abandoned storage yard features a few curios and soon draws the attention of 11-year-old April Hall, her friend Melanie Ross, and Melanie's younger brother, Marshall. Inspired by their mutual love of Egypt, April and Melanie turn the storage yard into the land of Egypt--a land filled with altars, oracles, and sacred rituals created by the girls.
Eight Tales of Terror	Edgar Allen Poe	A collection of horror stories includes depictions of a man haunted by the spirit of his dead wife, strange plots of revenge, and a traveler trapped on ghost ship.
Ella Enchanted	Gail Carson Levine	In this novel based on the story of Cinderella, Ella struggles against the childhood curse that forces her to obey any order given to her.
Esperanza Rising	<a href="#">Pam Muñoz Ryan</a>	Esperanza and her mother are forced to leave their life of wealth and privilege in Mexico to go work in the labor camps of Southern California, where they must adapt to the harsh circumstances facing Mexican farm workers on the eve of the Great Depression.
Family Under the Bridge	Natalie Savage Carlson	Old Armand, a Parisian hobo, enjoyed his solitary, carefree life (until he) found that three homeless children and their working mother had claimed his shelter under the bridge.
Farewell to Manzanar	Jeanne W. Houston	Farewell to Manzanar is the true story of one spirited Japanese American family's attempt to survive the indignities of forced detention...and of a native-born American child who discovered what it was like to grow up behind barbed wire in the United States.

Fellowship of the Ring, The	JRR Tolkien	Sauron, the Dark Lord, has gathered to him all the Rings of Power except one -- the One Ring that rules them all -- which has fallen into the hands of the hobbit Bilbo Baggins. Young Frodo Baggins finds himself faced with an immense task when Bilbo entrusts the Ring to his care. Frodo must make a perilous journey across Middle-earth to the Cracks of Doom, there to destroy the Ring and foil the Dark Lord in his evil purpose.
Fever 1793	Laurie Halse Anderson	In 1793 Philadelphia, sixteen-year-old Matilda Cook, separated from her sick mother, learns about perseverance and self-reliance when she is forced to cope with the horrors of a yellow fever epidemic.
Fire Bug Connection – an Ecological Mystery, The	Jean Craighead George	Maggie Mercer, lover of bugs, bats, and beetles, is very happy with her pet firebugs- until they start exploding! Even more suspicious, only the firebugs in the jars are dying! Who, or what, could possibly be murdering her favorite birthday present?
Flags	William Crampton	Each country of the world appears in this book, with its flag. Organized in alphabetical order, each entry contains simple facts about the country.
Flipped	Wendelin Van Draanen	In alternating chapters, two teenagers describe how their feelings about themselves, each other, and their families have changed over the years.
Flowers for Algernon	Daniel Keyes	Mentally retarded Charlie Gordon participates in an experiment which turns him into a genius but only temporarily.
Following Fake Man	Barbra Ware Holmes	During his summer in Maine, twelve-year-old Homer, together with his new friend Roger, is determined to find the truth about himself, his long-dead father, and a mysterious costumed man.
Frankenstein	Marry Shelley	A monster assembled by a scientist from parts of dead bodies develops a mind of his own as he learns to loathe himself and hate his creator.
From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil	<u>E. L. Konigsburg</u>	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.
From Where I sit, Making my way with Cerebral Palsy	Shelley Nixon	Shelley Nixon loves to laugh, to write stories and poetry, and to challenge herself. In this heartfelt autobiography, she tells readers how she does all this while confined to a wheelchair and living with all the other challenges of cerebral palsy.
Ghosts of mercy Manor, The	Betty Ren Wright	Twelve-year-old Gwen, an orphan who comes to live with the Mercy family, discovers that the house is haunted by the ghost of a sad-looking young girl and is determined to solve the mystery behind her appearances.
Gift of Magi	O' Henry	A Christmas story.
Glory of a Unicorn, A	Bruce Coville	In these 11 short stories and a poem, settings vary from the here and now to the long ago and far away, with some fantasy worlds included as well. All of the stories have young protagonists.
Godzilla Ate my Homework	<u>Marcia Thornton Jones</u>	Parker's pet guinea pig, Godzilla, is out of control and chews on everything, including his homework.
Gold Bug and other Tales	Edgar Allan Poe	Nine gripping tales of psychological terror and the supernatural, by the undisputed master of the American Gothic horror story: The Murders in the Rue Morgue, The Fall of the House of Usher, The Masque of the Red Death, The Tell-Tale Heart, The Pit and the Pendulum and four others.

Gold nugget Trip	Candri Hodges	The story of Betsy Hale, a ten-year-old who desperately wants to reunite her parents. Her father, a miner in the California gold mines, lives so far away from Philadelphia where Betsy and her mother have returned after a family tragedy. Realistic historical information is woven into a heart-tugging story of life in the 1850s.
Good Dog	Avi	McKinley, a malamute, is torn between the domestic world of his human family and the wild world of Lupin, a wolf that is trying to recruit dogs to replenish the dwindling wolf pack.
Great Billy Hopkins	Katherine Peterson	Gilly has been in the foster system all her life and she dreams of getting back to her (as she imagines) wonderful mother. (The mother makes these longings worse by writing the occasional letter.) Gilly is all the more determined to leave after she's placed in a new foster home with a "gross guardian and a freaky kid." But she soon learns about illusions--the hard way.
Great Expectations	Charles Dickens	Pip, an orphan in Victorian England, is plucked from a life of poverty and informed that he is to be educated and reared as a gentleman. A critical introduction, a chronology, and bibliographical references are included in this 1998 edition.
Gulliver' Travels	Jonathan Swift	The voyages of an Englishman carry him to such strange places as Lilliput, where people are six inches tall; Brobdingnag, a land of giants; an island of sorcerers; and a country ruled by horses.
Hamlet	William Shakespeare	Shakespeare's tragedy about the dark Prince of Denmark offers much for contemporary discussion.
Hannibal	Robert Green	Presents the life and military exploits of the famous Carthaginian general
Hardy Boys Series, The	<u>Franklin W. Dixon</u> Stratemeyer Syndicate	The Hardy boys are active, inquisitive amateur detectives who become involved in all manner of local intrigue, involving thieves, kidnappers, counterfeiters, and thugs. They are always on a roller-coaster of danger, lurching from one precarious situation to another as they try to outwit criminals and solve mysteries.
Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone	J. K. 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 for Witchcraft and Wizardry.
Hatchet	Gary Paulsen	After a plane crash, thirteen-year-old Brian survives 54 days in the wilderness, initially with only the aid of a hatchet given to him by his mother. Brian also learns to survive his parents' divorce. THE RIVER is the sequel; BRIAN'S WINTER is an alternate ending to the story; and BRIAN'S RETURN chronicles what happens three years after Brian's wilderness ordeal.
Hatchet, The	Gary Paulsen	Thirteen-year-old Brian Robeson, the sole survivor of a plane crash in the Canadian wilderness, must draw on his untested skill and strength to survive.
Haunting Tales	Nathaniel Hawthorne	"Tales and Sketches" offers --an authoritative edition of Hawthorne's complete stories in a single comprehensive volume. Here is everything from his three collections, "Twice-told Tales," "Mosses from an Old Manse," "The Snow-Image, and Other Twice-told Tales," his two books of stories for children based on classical myths, "A Wonder Book for Girls and Boys" and "Tanglewood Tales," and sixteen uncollected stories.
Heartland	Lauren Brooke	The Heartland series is really good for anyone to read who is in love with horses.
Henry V	William Shakespeare	This popular, much-studied drama focuses on the young warrior king--from Henry's decision to continue the military exploits of his royal ancestors and press England's claim to the French throne, to his nervous watch before the Battle of Agincourt and his role in one of the greatest military triumphs in English history.

His Majesty, Queen Hatshepsut	Dorothy Sharp Carter	Hatshepsut, whom readers first meet as a teenager, barely endures the indignities of being an Egyptian princess. She detests having creams rubbed onto her face and feet and learning to read and write. Later she has to rule as a widowed queen-regent until her late husband's son can become king; but Hatshepsut dares to presume that she is to be the next pharaoh. She seizes power and spends the next several years ruling her people and defending her right to the title.
Hitler's Daughter	Jackie French	What if Hitler had a physically disabled daughter he kept hidden because she didn't fit his prototype for breeding a superior Aryan race? In Australia today Mark listens to his friend Anna make up a story about Heidi, a Nazi leader's child who knows her dad only as a kind visitor. Her story makes Mark ask questions about his own family.
Hobbit, The	J.R.R. Tolkien	Bilbo Baggins, a respectable, well-to-do hobbit, lives comfortably in his hobbit-hole until the day the wandering wizard Gandalf chooses him to take part in an adventure from which he may never return.
Holes	Louis Sachar	Young Stanley Yelnats is sent to a correctional boot camp for a crime he did not commit. Through a series of flashbacks and subplots, the reader solves the puzzle of Camp Green Lake. One of these flashbacks reveals a racially motivated murder. This young adult novel is very useful for studying prediction, foreshadowing, and plot structure.
Holy Enchilada!	Henry Winkler	Efforts to impress a visiting student from Japan cause Hank to hide his dyslexia while the gang makes enchiladas for a Multi-Cultural Day lunch, and Hank is afraid he was very wrong about the amount of chili powder called for in the recipe.
Hound of the Baskervilles, The	Arthur Conan Doyle	When a second member of the Baskerville family dies, Sherlock Holmes investigates and finds murderous greed behind the supposed curse.
How to Eat Fried Worms	Thomas Rockwell	Two boys set out to prove that worms can make a delicious meal.
Hunchback of Notre Dame, The	Victor Hugo	Feared and hated by all, Quasimodo is looked after by Dom Claude Frollo, a stern, cold priest who ignores the poor hunchback in the face of his frequent public torture. But someone steps forward to help—the beautiful gypsy Esmeralda, whose single act of kindness fills Quasimodo with love.
Hundred Dresses, The	Eleanor Estes	Wanda wears the same faded blue dress to school every day -- yet she says she has one hundred beautiful dresses at home. The other girls don't believe it, and when Peggy starts a daily game of teasing Wanda about the hundred dresses, everyone joins in. Maddie, Peggy's best friend, goes along with the game, but she secretly wonders whether she can find the courage to speak up in Wanda's defense.
I was a 6 <sup>th</sup> grade Alien	Bruce Coville	When aliens come to Earth on an interplanetary trade mission, sixth-grader Tim makes friends with the ambassador's son and together they uncover a plot to sabotage the mission.
Iliad, The	Homer	Helen, queen of Sparta and the most beautiful woman in the world, is kidnapped by Paris, a Trojan prince. Hungry for revenge, the Greek Army lays siege on Troy. For nine long years they are unsuccessful -- until they come up with a plan for their greatest-ever attack on the city. For victory or death the two armies will collide for the final time ...
In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson	Bette Bao Lord	In 1947, a Chinese child comes to Brooklyn where she becomes Americanized at school, in her apartment building, and by her love for baseball.
Indian in the Cupboard, The	<u>Lynne Reid Banks</u>	A nine-year-old boy receives a plastic Indian, a cupboard, and a little key for his birthday and finds himself involved in adventure when the Indian comes to life in the cupboard and befriends him.

Invisible Man, The	<u>H.G. Wells</u>	A quiet English country village is disturbed by the arrival of a mysterious stranger who keeps his face hidden and his back to everyone.
Island of the Blue Dolphins	Scott O'Dell	Left alone on a beautiful but isolated island off the coast of California, a young Indian girl spends eighteen years, not only merely surviving through her enormous courage and self-reliance, but also finding a measure of happiness in her solitary life.
Island Series – Books 1, 2, 3	Gordan Korman	Island is a thrilling trilogy of stories. Luke, Charla, Will, Lyssa, J.J., and Ian aren't alone on their desert island. They've survived so far, but now their enemies are closing in. They have only one chance to escape.
Island, The	Gary Paulsen	Fifteen-year-old Will discovers himself and the wonders of nature when he leaves home to live on an island in northern Wisconsin.
It's Our World, Too!	Phillip Hoose	A collection of essays about children who have made notable achievements, arranged in the categories "Taking a Stand," "Reaching Out to Others," "Healing the Earth," and "Creating a Safer Future," accompanied by a handbook for young activists.
Jacob have I Loved	Katherine Peterson	Sarah Louise, who lives with her family on a Chesapeake Bay island, grows up feeling less important than her twin sister, until she finally begins to find her own identity.
Johnny Tremain	Esther Forbes	After injuring his hand, a silversmith's apprentice in Boston becomes a messenger for the Sons of Liberty in the days before the American Revolution.
Journal, The	Merideth Costain	Presents the three adventures of Mowgli, a young boy raised by the animals in an Indian jungle, as well as other animal stories and songs. Includes illustrated notes throughout the text explaining the historical background of the story.
Journey to America	Sonia Levitin	A Jewish family fleeing Nazi Germany in 1938 endures innumerable separations before they are once again united.
Julie of the Wolves	Jean Craighead George	While running away from home and an unwanted marriage, a thirteen-year-old Eskimo girl becomes lost on the North Slope of Alaska and is befriended by a wolf pack.
Julius Ceasar	William Shakespeare	Brutus, best friend of the Roman ruler Caesar, reluctantly joins a successful plot to murder Caesar and subsequently destroys himself.
Junie B. Jones – Smells Something Fishy	Barbra Park	Frustrated because the rules for her class's Pet Day will not let her take her dog to school, Junie B. Jones considers taking a raccoon, a worm, a dead fish, and other unusual replacements.
Junie B. Jones is not a Crook	Barbra Park	Junie B. Jones experiences glee while showing off her new furry mittens in kindergarten, but disaster strikes when they disappear from the playground.
Just Juice	Karen Hesse	Realizing that her father's lack of work has endangered her family, nine-year-old Juice decides that she must return to school and learn to read in order to help their chances of surviving and keeping their house.
Just so Stories	<u>Rudyard Kipling</u>	A collection of the well-known stories including "The Butterfly that Stamped," "How the Whale Got his Throat," and "The Sing-Song of Old Man Kangaroo."
Kid in the Red Jacket, The	Barbara Park	When ten-year-old Howard has to move with his family to a distant state, he is forced to live on a street named Chester Pewe, adjust to a new school, and get used to being shadowed by the little girl in a nearby house.

King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table	Richard Lancelyn Green	A retelling of the story of the boy fated to be the "true-born King of Britain," covering his glorious reign and his tragic, yet triumphant, passing.
King Lear	William Shakespeare	The most gripping of Shakespeare's plays, King Lear tells the sad story of a father and his folly with the treatment of his daughters and their treatment of him. Set in the obscure period of early Britain, this play is a masterpiece of misjudgments and misunderstandings that lead to tragic results.
King of the Wind	<u>Marguerite Henry</u>	Sham and the stable boy Agba travel from Morocco to France to England where, at last, Sham's majesty is recognized and he becomes the "Godolphin Arabian," ancestor of the most superior Thoroughbred horses.
Knights of the Kitchen Table	<u>Jon Scieszka,</u>	When Joe, Fred, and Sam are sent back in time by a magic book, they find themselves face-to-face with giants, dragons, wizards, and the Knights of the Round Table.
Lady or the Tiger, The	Frank R. Stockton	In ancient times, a king devised a system of justice where guilt or innocence was determined entirely by chance. The person who committed a crime had to choose between two doors. One containing a tiger and the other a beautiful woman. When the criminal is the lover of the king's daughter she must decide this fate.
Land I lost, The	<u>Huynh Quang Nhuong</u>	A collection of personal reminiscences of the author's youth in a hamlet on the central highlands of Vietnam.
Legend of Jimmy Spoon	Kristiana Gregory	In the middle of the nineteenth century, twelve-year-old Jimmy leaves his Mormon family in Utah and ends up living with the Shoshoni Indians as the younger brother of Chief Washakie.
Legend of Sleepy Hollow, The	Washington Irving	A superstitious schoolmaster, in love with a wealthy farmer's daughter, has a terrifying encounter with a headless horseman.
Letter from Rifka	Karen Hesse	In letters to her cousin, a young Jewish girl chronicles her family's flight from Russia in 1919 and her own experiences when she must be left in Belgium for a while when the others immigrate to America.
Letters from Camp	Kate Klise	Sent to Camp Happy Harmony to learn how to get along with each other, pairs of brothers and sisters chronicle in letters home how they come to suspect the intentions of the singing family running the camp.
Library Card, The	Jerry Spinelli	The lives of four young people in different circumstances are changed by their encounters with books.
Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe	C.S. Lewis	Four English schoolchildren find their way through the back of a wardrobe into the magic land of Narnia and assist Aslan, the golden lion, to triumph over the White Witch, who has cursed the land with eternal winter.
Little Women	Louisa May Alcott	Four poor sisters in New England experience the Civil War at home. The social customs, the economic conditions, and health problems faced by people in that era are presented in realistic detail. The author shared many of her experiences in this novel.
Long Way from Chicago, A	Richard Peck	A boy recounts his annual summer trips to rural Illinois with his sister during the Great Depression to visit their larger-than-life grandmother.
Lorna Doone	R.D. Blackmore	Lorna Doone is the story of how John Ridd, an unsophisticated farmer, falls in love with the beautiful and aristocratic Lorna Doone, kidnapped as a child by the outlaw Doones on Exmoor.
Lost World, The	Arthur Conan Doyle	Two scientists, a big game hunter, and a journalist travel to the Amazon rain forest. On a volcanic plateau, they discover an isolated world still inhabited by dinosaurs, climaxing in a chase scene with a Tyrannosaurus Rex.

Lostman's River	Cynthia DeFelice	In the early 1900s, thirteen-year-old Tyler encounters vicious hunters whose actions threaten to destroy the Everglades ecosystem, and as a result joins the battle to protect that fragile environment
Love that Dog	Sharon Creech	A young student, who comes to love poetry through a personal understanding of what different famous poems mean to him, surprises himself by writing his own inspired poem.
Love, Ruby Lavender	Deborah Wiles	When her quirky grandmother goes to Hawaii for the summer, nine-year-old Ruby learns to survive on her own in Mississippi by writing letters, befriending chickens as well as the new girl in town, and finally coping with her grandfather's death.
MacBeth	William Shakespeare	Urged by his power-hungry, ambitious wife, Macbeth murders his king, Duncan, to become king himself. Macbeth's doom is fixed after this first evil act, from which he descends deeper and deeper into degradation in an attempt to conceal the crime and guarantee his new position of power.
Magicians Nephew, The	C.S. Lewis	When Digory and Polly try to return the wicked witch Jadis to her own world, the magic gets mixed up and they all land in Narnia where they witness Aslan blessing the animals with human speech.
Maniac Magee	Jerry Spinelli	After his parents die, Jeffrey Lionel Magee's life becomes legendary, as he accomplishes athletic and other feats which awe his contemporaries.
Marvin Redpost Class President	Louis Sachar	Even though they have all come to school in holey clothes, Marvin and his third grade class manage to impress their surprise visitor--the President of the United States.
Matilda	Roald Dahl	Matilda applies her untapped mental powers to rid the school of the evil, child-hating headmistress, Miss Trunchbull, and restore her nice teacher, Miss Honey, to financial security.
Mick Harte was here	Barbra Park	Thirteen-year-old Phoebe recalls her younger brother Mick and his death in a bicycle accident.
Midwife's Apprentice, The	Karen Cushman	In medieval England, a nameless, homeless girl is taken in by a sharp-tempered midwife, and in spite of obstacles and hardship, eventually gains the three things she most wants: a full belly, a contented heart, and a place in this world.
Million Dollar Shot	Dan Gutman	Eleven-year-old Eddie gets a chance to win a million dollars by sinking a foul shot at the National Basketball Association finals.
Mississippi Bridge	Mildred D. Taylor	During a heavy rainstorm in 1930s rural Mississippi, a ten-year-old white boy sees a bus driver order all the black passengers off a crowded bus to make room for late-arriving white passengers and then set off across the raging Rosa Lee River.
Moby Dick	Herman Melville	A rich, complex, highly symbolic narrative that explores the deepest reaches of our moral and metaphysical dilemma through the extraordinary tale of Captain Ahab's quest for the great white whale.
Morgan's Zoo	James Howe	When the Chelsea Park Zoo is about to close, Morgan, the desolate animal keeper, receives help from a television newscaster to keep it open--and from the animals themselves.
Morning Girl	Michael Dorris	Morning Girl, who loves the day, and her younger brother Star Boy, who loves the night, take turns describing their life on an island in pre-Columbian America; in Morning Girl's last narrative, she witnesses the arrival of the first Europeans to her world.
Mr. Popper's Penguins	Richard Atwater	The unexpected delivery of a large crate containing an Antarctic penguin changes the life and fortunes of Mr. Popper, a house painter obsessed by dreams of the Polar regions.
Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of Nimh	<u>Robert C. O'Brien</u>	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.

Music of the Dolphins	Karen Hesse	After rescuing an adolescent girl from the sea, researchers learn she has been raised by dolphins and attempt to rehabilitate her to the human world.
My Brother Sam is Dead	<u>James Lincoln Collier,</u>	Recounts the tragedy that strikes the Meeker family during the Revolution, when one son joins the rebel forces while the rest of the family tries to stay neutral in a Tory town.
My Friend Flicka	Mary O'Hara	Through his intense devotion to the colt Flicka, a young boy, living on a Wyoming ranch, begins to learn about responsibility and gain a better understanding of his brusque father.
My Side of the Mountain	Jean Craighead George	A young boy relates his adventures during the year he spends living alone in the Catskill Mountains including his struggle for survival, his dependence on nature, his animal friends, and his ultimate realization that he needs human companionship.
Mystery of the Green Ghost, The	Alfred Hitchcock	The Three Investigators become entangled in the theft of a string of rare pearls and a fraudulent scheme involving family inheritance when they try to solve the mystery of a ghost's appearance in the old Green Mansion.
Nancy Drew Mysteries	Carolyn Keene	Most young readers find Nancy's adventures interesting, entertaining, and exciting. Nancy Drew books describe positive qualities including a sense of independence, poise in unusual social situations, persistence, initiative, and resourcefulness. The series also emphasizes not only respect for elders and authority, but also the ability of a young woman to hold her own in the world of adults and men.
Night Journeys	Avi	In the spring of 1768, twelve-year-old Peter, living with his Quaker guardian near the Pennsylvania-New Jersey border, joins in the search for two runaway indentured servants.
Night of the Twisters	Ivy Ruckman	A fictional account of the night devastating tornadoes hit Grand Island, Nebraska, as experienced by a twelve-year-old, his family, and friends.
Night Swimmers, The	Betsy Byars	With their mother dead and their father working nights, Retta tries to be mother to her two younger brothers.
Nightmare	Joan Lowery Nixon	Emily is sent to a camp for underachievers where she discovers a murderer on the staff who might provide an explanation for her recurring nightmares.
Nighty-Nightmare	James Howe	When scary strangers appear at the Monroes' overnight campsite, Chester the cat tries to convince the family's two dogs that foul play is intended.
No Trouble at All	Sally Grindley	Grandfather Bear thinks his cubs are so wonderful, he cannot imagine them being naughty.
Number the Stars	Lois Lowry	In 1943, during the German occupation of Denmark, ten-year-old Annemarie learns how to be brave and courageous when she helps shelter her Jewish friend from the Nazis.
Nutcracker, The	E.T.A. Hoffman	One Christmas after hearing how the toy nutcracker made by her godfather got his ugly face, a little girl helps break the spell and watches him change into a handsome prince.
O' Pioneers!	Willa Cather	A rich evocation of 19th-century American life on the prairie, Cather's novel of immigrant homesteaders in Nebraska celebrates the landscape.
Odyssey, The	Homer	The greatest adventure story of all time, this epic work chronicles Odysseus's return from the Trojan War and the trials he endures on his journey home. Filled with magic, mystery, and an assortment of gods & goddesses who meddle freely in the affairs of men.
Old Ben	Jesse H. Stuart	When young Shan befriends a bull black snake, his Kentucky mountain family decides that perhaps the only good snake isn't a dead snake after all.

Old Yeller	Fred Gipson	A faithful dog named Old Yeller helps a boy named Travis and his family survive life on the Texas frontier.
On My Honor	Marion Dane Bauer	When his best friend drowns while they are both swimming in a treacherous river that they had promised never to go near, Joel is devastated and terrified at having to tell both sets of parents the terrible consequences of their disobedience.
Once Upon a Marigold	Jean Ferris	A young man with a mysterious past and a penchant for inventing things leaves the troll who raised him, meets an unhappy princess he has loved from afar, and discovers a plot against her and her father.
Otis Spofford	Beverly Cleary	Otis is the most irritating--and irresistible--troublemaker in school and his string of misadventures will amuse readers.
Our Only May Amelia	Jennifer L. Holm	As the only girl in a Finnish American family of seven brothers, May Amelia Jackson resents being expected to act like a lady while growing up in Washington state in 1899.
Outsiders, The	S. E. Hinton	Ponyboy can count on his brothers. And on his friends. But not on much else besides trouble with the Socs, a vicious gang of rich kids whose idea of good time is beating up "greasers" like Ponyboy. At least he knows what to expect--until the night someone takes things too far.
Pacific Crossing	Gary Soto	Fourteen-year-old Mexican American Lincoln Mendoza spends a summer with a host family in Japan, encountering new experiences and making new friends.
Pearl, The	John Steinbeck	For the diver Kino, finding a magnificent pearl means the promise of a better life for his impoverished family. His dreams blind him to the greed that the pearl arouses in him and his neighbors.
Phoenix Rising	Karen Hesse	Thirteen-year-old Nyle learns about relationships and death when fifteen-year-old Ezra, who was exposed to radiation leaked from a nearby nuclear plant, comes to stay at her grandmother's Vermont farmhouse.
Philip Hall Likes Me, I Reckon Maybe	Bette Greene	Eleven-year-old Beth thinks that Philip Hall likes her, but their on-again, off-again relationship sometimes makes her wonder.
Pistachio Prescription, The	Paula Danziger	Cassandra (Cassie) Stephens is thirteen, a "mousy-brown" in a family of blonds and redheads, a totem pole among shapelies, a nonentity in a world of achievers. On top of that, she's got asthma. World War III is waged daily in her home, beginning at the breakfast table and ending with slammed doors at night. "Operation Overthrow" is under way at school, with Cassie running for freshperson class president.
Pleasing the Ghost	Sharon Creech	Nine-year-old Dennis, whose uncle and father died within a year of one another is visited by the ghost of his uncle, and together they settle some unfinished business.
Preacher's Boy	Katherine Paterson	In 1899, ten-year-old Robbie, son of a preacher in a small Vermont town, gets himself into all kinds of trouble when he decides to give up being Christian in order to make the most of his life before the end of the world.
Prince and the Pauper, The	Mark Twain	When young Edward VI of England and a poor boy who resembles him exchange places, each learns something about the other's very different station in life.
Rats on the Roof and Other Stories	James Marshall	An illustrated collection of seven stories about various animals, including a frog with magnificent legs, a hungry brontosaurus, and a mouse who gets married.

Raven and Other Poems	Edgar Allan Poe	Forty-one of Poe's most memorable poems-among them The Bells, Ulalume, Israfel, To Helen, The Conqueror Worm, Eldorado and Annabel Lee-reveal the spectrum of Poe's personality and his virtuoso command of poetic language, rhythms and figures of speech.
Red Badge of Courage, The	Stephen Crane	During his service in the Civil War a young Union soldier matures to manhood and finds peace of mind as he comes to grips with his conflicting emotions about war.
Reluctant Dragon, The	Kenneth Grahame	The story of the last dragon on earth who is far more interested in reading and writing poetry than pillaging villages as dragons of old always did. Even though St. George, the dragon slayer, is called in to slay the dragon because of the bad reputation of all dragon's who snort fire and cause danger, the village sees his good qualities and allows him to remain.
Return to Hawk's Hill	Allan W. Eckert	Running away from a vicious trapper, seven-year-old Ben MacDonald is separated from his family and eventually ends up on the shores of Lake Winnipeg, where he is taken in by a tribe of Metis Indians.
Riding Freedom	Pam Muñoz Ryan	By the age of 12, Charlotte Parkhurst knows the world of the 1860s holds more opportunities for boys than girls. So she cuts off her hair, dons boy's clothing and begins a new life that gives her many privileges, including the right to vote.
Riding the Tiger	Eva Bunting	Danny, new to town, is proud when a glittery-eyed tiger invites him for a ride. He climbs up onto the tiger's massive back, and together they cruise the neighborhood. Everyone gives them respect—shopkeepers and passersby, even other kids. Danny feels powerful and much older than ten. Soon, though, he realizes it isn't respect people feel for him and the tiger—it's fear. And when he decides to get down off the tiger's back, he discovers it's a lot harder than climbing on.
Rikki-Tikki-Tavi	<u>Jerry Pinkney</u>	A courageous mongoose thwarts the evil plans of Nag and Nagaina, two big black cobras who live in the garden.
Rip Van Winkle & Other Stories	Washington Irving	The legendary enchantment of Rip Van Winkle in the Kaatskill Mountains; the gruesome end of Ichabod Crane, who met the Headless Horseman of Sleepy Hollow; the Spectre Bridegroom who turned out to be happily substantial; the pride of an English village and the come-uppance of the over-zealous Mountjoy - these witty, perceptive and captivating tales range from fantasy to romance.
River, The	Gary Paulsen	Because of his success surviving alone in the wilderness for fifty-four days, fifteen-year-old Brian, profoundly changed by his time in the wild, is asked to undergo a similar experience to help scientists learn more about the psychology of survival.
Road Not Taken, The	Robert Frost	The poems in this volume are selected from Frost's first three books: <i>A Boy's Will</i> , <i>North of Boston &amp; Mountain Interval</i> . Poems of rural life and universal wisdom including; "Mending Wall," "The Road Not Taken," and "Mowing,"
Robin Hood of Sherwood Forest	Anne McGovern, Tracy Sugarman	In a time when laws were unfair and the poor were left to starve, Robin Hood was a friend to those in need. Ann McGovern's retelling of this classic tale transports young readers to an era of adventure and heroism.
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry	Mildred D. Taylor	A black family living in Mississippi during the Depression of the 1930s is faced with prejudice and discrimination which its children do not understand.
Romeo and Juliet	William Shakespeare	Two lovers are destroyed by the hatred of their families for one another in this play about prejudice, innocence, and power.

Rosa Parks – My Story	Rosa Parks, James Haskins	“The only tired I was, was tired of giving in.” These are the words of Rosa Parks, who on December 1, 1955, refused to give up her seat to a white man on a segregated bus, sparking the Montgomery, Alabama, bus boycott. Written in her own language, this is Parks's story.
Royal Diaries – Isabel, The	<u>Carolyn Meyer</u>	King Enrique of Spain sees his 14-year-old sister, Princess Isabel, as a pawn to be used to strengthen his rule over the kingdom. He tries to marry her off to any patron who would benefit his political cause. Luckily, Isabel manages to escape each unfavorable suitor, avert danger from warring forces in the land, and find the one man she actually wants to marry.
Royal Diaries – Kaiulani, The	<u>Ellen Emerson White</u>	Hawaii in 1889 is a pristine island paradise. Thirteen year old Princess Ka’iulani lives a carefree life at Ainachau, her home by the sea in Waikiki, Oahu. Used to having personal governesses as tutors, her family has decided that as a future monarch, she is to be educated abroad at a boarding school in England. While abroad Hawaii is transforming from a monarchy to a provisional government, a movement strongly opposed by the Hawaiian people. The young princess rallies to her people's cause.
Royal Diaries – Marie Antoinette, The	Kathryn Lasky	In 1769, thirteen-year-old Maria Antonia Josepha Johanna, daughter of Empress Maria Theresa, begins a journal chronicling her life at the Austrian court and her preparations for her future role as queen of France. Includes information about the history of the period, a family tree, and contemporary portraits.
Ruby Holler	Sharon Creech	Dallas and Florida have been dubbed the "trouble twins." They have been shuffled between foster families and orphanages all their lives, longing only for a loving place to call home, though mistrustful that one exists for the likes of them. Tiller and Sairy are an eccentric older couple whose children are grown and long gone, and they're each restless for one more big adventure while their bodies are still spry enough to paddle a river or climb a mountain. Ruby Holler is the beautiful, mysterious place that changes all their lives forever.
Sadako and the thousand paper cranes	Eleanor Coerr	Hospitalized with the dreaded atom bomb disease, leukemia, a child in Hiroshima races against time to fold one thousand paper cranes to verify the legend that by doing so a sick person will become healthy.
Sarah Bishop	Scott O’Dell	Left alone after the deaths of her father and brother who take opposite sides in the War for Independence, and fleeing from the British who seek to arrest her, Sarah Bishop struggles to shape a new life for herself in the wilderness.
Secret Garden	Frances Hodgson Burnett	Ten-year-old Mary, a spoiled and sour child, has not known love or discipline. She moves to her uncle’s house in Yorkshire, England, after the death of her parents. There she discovers the mysteries hidden away in his dark and gloomy estate.
Secret School, The	Avi	In 1925, fourteen-year-old Ida Bidson secretly takes over as the teacher when the one-room schoolhouse in her remote Colorado area closes unexpectedly.
Sense and Sensibility	Jane Austen	The Dashwood sisters are very different from each other in appearance and temperament; Elinor's good sense and readiness to observe social forms contrast with Marianne's impulsive candor and warm but excessive sensibility. Both struggle to maintain their integrity and find happiness in the face of a competitive marriage market.

Series of Unfortunate Events – The Bad Beginning, A	Lemony Snicket	This book tells an unhappy tale about three very unlucky children, who despite being clever and charming lead lives filled with misery and woe. From the very beginning of this volume, when the children are at the beach and receive terrible news, continuing onto the last page of this distressing story, disaster lurks at their heels.
Series of Unfortunate Events – The Slippery Decent, A	Lemony Snicket	In the perilous Mortmain Mountains, Klaus and Violet Baudelaire meet another well-read person, who helps them try to rescue Sunny from the villainous Count Olaf and his henchmen as they all near "the last safe place."
Seth of the Lion People	Bonnie Pryor	Although Seth, the young teenager with the twisted leg, is only tolerated by his tribe for his storytelling abilities, he senses his people are on the brink of a transition from hunters to artisans and growers of food, if only he can become their leader.
Shadow of the Bull	<u>Maia Wojciechowska</u>	Manolo Olivar has to make a decision: to follow in his famous father's shadow and become a bullfighter, or to follow his heart and become a doctor.
Shiloh	Phyllis Reynolds 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.
Silent to the Bone	E. L. Konigsburg	When he is wrongly accused of gravely injuring his baby half-sister, thirteen-year-old Branwell loses his power of speech and only his friend Connor is able to reach him and uncover the truth about what really happened.
Single Shard, A	Linda Sue Parker	Tree-ear, a thirteen-year-old orphan in medieval Korea, lives under a bridge in a potters' village, and longs to learn how to throw the delicate celadon ceramics himself.
Six Great Sherlock Holmes Stories	Arthur Conan Doyle	Masterfully written detective fiction featuring the famed Victorian supersleuth and a multitude of sinister characters and unprincipled villains. Choice selections include A Scandal in Bohemia, The Red-headed League, and The Adventure of the Speckled Band, The Adventure of the Engineer's Thumb, The Final Problem, and The Adventure of the Empty House.
Sixth Grade Secrets	Louis Sachar	When Laura Sibbie starts a club called Pig City, she incites a near-war among her sixth-grade classmates and generates the creation of a rival club that has designs on Pig City's precious box of secrets.
Slump	Dave Jarzyna	When thirteen-year-old Mitch finds himself at odds with everyone in his life: brother, sister, friends, teachers, and coach, he worries that the situation will never change.
Small Steps, The Year I Got Polio	Peg Kehret,	The author describes her battle against polio when she was thirteen and her efforts to overcome its debilitating effects.
Snake and Lizard	<u>Rod Theodorou</u>	Compares and contrasts the physical attributes, habits, and habitat of snakes and lizards.
Socks	<u>Beverly Cleary</u>	The happy home life of Socks, the cat, is disrupted by the addition of a new baby to the household.
Some Fine Dog	Patti Sherlock	Terry Riley, age 12, finds a smart, handsome collie that, after the boy's clever maneuvering, his indigent mother lets him keep. The dog mustn't interfere with Terry's obligations as a choir soloist, however--his key to a music scholarship and a better life. Yet when the boy discovers how quickly Duffy learns tricks, he decides that his time is better spent plotting the animal's show business career.
Souder	William Howard Armstrong	Angry and humiliated when his sharecropper father is jailed for stealing food for his family, a young black boy grows in courage and understanding by learning to read and through his relationship with his devoted dog Souder.

Sparrow Hawk Red	<u>Ben Mikaelson</u>	Thirteen-year-old Ricky, the Mexican American son of a former Drug Enforcement Agency man, tries to avenge his mother's murder by crossing over into Mexico to steal a high-tech radar plane from drug smugglers.
Spy X, Hide and Seek	<u>Peter Lerangis</u>	Evie and Andrew have always wondered what happened to their mother after she disappeared on their birthday. Now they are starting to find out and the results are very surprising. Their mother was into something big, and now the twins are being drawn in as well. Nobody - not their baby-sitter, not their new school friend, not a pair of doddering professors - is who he or she appears to be. But Evie and Andrew will have to uncover the truth if they ever want to see their mother again.
Stargirl	Jerry Spinelli	In this story about the perils of popularity, the courage of nonconformity, and the thrill of first love, an eccentric student named Stargirl changes Mica High School forever.
Stone Fox	John Reynolds Gardiner	In spite of tremendous odds, a ten-year-old boy and his dog are determined to win a dogsled race and the five-hundred-dollar prize.
Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde	<u>Robert Louis Stevenson</u>	Idealistic young scientist Henry Jekyll struggles to unlock the secrets of the soul. Testing chemicals in his lab, he drinks a mixture he hopes will isolate—and eliminate—human evil. Instead it unleashes the dark forces within him, transforming him into the hideous and murderous Mr. Hyde.
Stranger with my Face	Lois Duncann	Have you ever been haunted by the feeling that someone is spying on you, lurking around your house and yard, even entering your bedroom? Are your friends plotting against you when they say they've seen you do things you know you haven't done? What's going on — and does Laurie really want to find out?
Stranger, The	Chris Van Allsburg	The enigmatic origins of the stranger Farmer Bailey hits with his truck and brings home to recuperate seem to have a mysterious relation to the changing season.
Summer of the Monkeys	Wilson Rawls	In the late 1800's, a fourteen-year-old Ozark mountain boy spends the summer trying to recapture monkeys escaped from a traveling circus.
Summer of the Swans	Betsy Byars	A teenage girl gains new insight into herself and her family when her mentally handicapped brother gets lost.
Supernaturalist, The	Eoin Colfer	In futuristic Satellite City, fourteen-year-old Cosmo Hill escapes from his abusive orphanage and teams up with three other people who share his unusual ability to see supernatural creatures, and together they determine the nature and purpose of the swarming blue Parasites that are invisible to most humans.
Surviving the Applewhites	Stephanie S. Tolan	Jake, a budding juvenile delinquent, is sent for home schooling to the arty and eccentric Applewhite family's Creative Academy, where he discovers talents and interests he never knew he had.
Swiss Family Robinson	Johann David Wyss	When a Swiss couple and their four sons are shipwrecked on an isolated island, they adapt to their "New Switzerland" using many imaginative methods of farming and animal taming.
Taking Sides	Gary Soto	Fourteen-year-old Lincoln Mendoza, an aspiring basketball player, must come to terms with his divided loyalties when he moves from the Hispanic inner city to a white suburban neighborhood.
Tales From Shakespeare	Charles Lamb, Mary Lamb	Shakespeare's fourteen comedies and six tragedies retold in prose.
Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing	Judy Blume	Peter finds his demanding two-year-old brother an ever increasing problem.

There's a Boy in the Girl's Bathroom	Louis Sachar	An unmanageable, but lovable, eleven-year-old misfit learns to believe in himself when he gets to know the new school counselor, who is a sort of misfit too.
They Led The Way	Johanna Johnston	A collection of biographies about women who have made a difference in American history. From Anne Hutchinson to Carrie Chapman Catt, these women all worked for women's rights.
Thief and the Beanstalk, The	P. W. Catanese	Everyone knows the story of Jack and the beanstalk. Everyone <i>also</i> knows that Jack's little adventure made him a very rich man. But what they don't know is what happened a long time <i>after</i> Jack.... That's where Nick comes in. Orphaned and desperate, Nick joins a rugged band of thieves in hopes of a warm meal and a little protection. In exchange Nick must help them break into the lavish white castle rumored to belong to an old man named Jack.
Throwing Shadows	E. L. Konigsburg	Five short stories in which young people gain a sense of self.
Time Machine, The	H.G. Wells	A scientist invents a time machine and uses it to travel hundreds of thousands of years into the future, where he discovers the childlike Eloi and the hideous underground Morlocks.
Touching Spirit Bear	Ben Mikaelson	After his anger erupts into violence, Cole, in order to avoid going to prison, agrees to participate in a sentencing alternative based on the native American Circle Justice, and he is sent to a remote Alaskan Island where an encounter with a huge Spirit Bear changes his life.
Treasure Island	Robert Louis Stevenson	While going through the possessions of a deceased guest who owed them money, the mistress of the inn and her son find a treasure map that leads them to a pirate's fortune.
Tree Castle Island	Jean Craighead George	After building his own canoe, fourteen-year-old Jack Hawkins goes to try it out in his beloved Okefenokee Swamp, where an accident tests his survival skills and leads him to a shocking discovery.
Trespassers, The	Zilpha Keatly Snyder	Having trespassed and explored the empty Hutchinson mansion, which seems haunted by the presence of a long-dead young girl, sixth grader Neely and her little brother become regular visitors when emotionally disturbed Curtis Hutchinson moves in.
Tuck Everlasting	Natalie Babbitt	The Tuck family is confronted with an agonizing situation when they discover that a ten-year-old girl and a malicious stranger now share their secret about a spring whose water prevents one from ever growing older.
Two Towers, The	J.R.R. Tolkien	In this second volume of Tolkien's trilogy <i>The Lord of the Rings</i> , the intrepid hobbit Frodo Baggins moves toward Mordor, Sauron's stronghold, where he must attempt to destroy the dangerous ring that could destroy the world.
Undying Glory	Clinton Cox	Describes the formation of the all-black 54th Massachusetts Regiment and its valiant battle history from 1863 to 1865.
Upstairs Room, The	Johanna Reiss	A Dutch Jewish girl describes the two-and-one-half years she spent in hiding in the upstairs bedroom of a farmer's house during World War II.
View from Saturday, The	E. L. Konigsburg	Four students, with their own individual stories, develop a special bond and attract the attention of their teacher, a paraplegic, who chooses them to represent their sixth-grade class in the Academic Bowl competition.
Viking Claw, The	Michael Dahl	Finn and his mystery-writer uncle head to the Haunted City of Tquuli, in Iceland, where Finn's archaeologist parents were last seen -- before they'd disappeared, eight years before.
Vikings, The	Elizabeth Janeway	An account of the explorations of Eric the Red and his son, Leif Ericson, in the New World, 500 years before Columbus.

Voyage of Doctor Dolittle	Hugh Lofting	When his colleague Long Arrow disappears, Dr. Dolittle sets off with his assistant, Tommy Stubbins, his dog, Jip, and Polynesia the parrot on an adventurous voyage over tropical seas to floating Spidermonkey Island.
Walk Two Moons	Sharon Creech	After her mother leaves home suddenly, thirteen-year-old Sal and her grandparents take a car trip retracing her mother's route. Along the way, Sal recounts the story of her friend Phoebe, whose mother also left.
Wanderer	Sharon Creech	Thirteen-year-old Sophie and her cousin Cody record their transatlantic crossing aboard the Wanderer, a forty-five foot sailboat, which, along with uncles and another cousin, is en route to visit their grandfather in England.
War of the Worlds	H. G. Wells	As life on Mars becomes impossible, Martians and their terrifying machines invade the earth.
War with Grandpa, The	Robert Kimmel Smith	Upset that he has to give up the room he loves to his grandfather, Pete decides to declare war in an attempt to get it back.
War Within, The	Carol Matas	In 1862, after Union forces expel Hannah's family from Holly Springs, Mississippi, because they are Jews, Hannah reexamines her views regarding slavery and the war.
Watch Out – Man Eating Snake	Patricia Reilly Giff	Stacy Arrow's first day of school isn't going well at all. She was only trying to help when she told Jiwon, the girl with the black hair, that her drawing of herself looked like a cow. Now Jiwon refuses to be Stacy's best friend. What's Stacy doing wrong? "You have to be nice to a friend," says Stacy's sister Emily, and suddenly Stacy knows what she has to do.
Westing Game, The	Ellen Raskin	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.
Wheel on the School, The	Meindert DeJong	Why did the storks no longer come to the little Dutch fishing village of Shora to nest? It was Lina, one of the six schoolchildren, who first asked the question, and she set the others to wondering. And sometimes when you begin to wonder, you begin to make things happen. So the children set out to bring the storks back. They had to overcome many obstacles, including the fierce and threatening sea. But they wouldn't give up -- and soon their determination and their vision got the whole village working, until at last the dream began to come true.
Where the Red Fern Grows	Wilson Rawls	A young boy living in the Ozarks achieves his heart's desire when he becomes the owner of two redbone hounds and teaches them to be champion hunters.
Whipping Boy, The	Sid Fleischman	A bratty prince and his whipping boy have many adventures when they inadvertently trade places after becoming involved with dangerous outlaws.
White Fang	Jack London	Part wolf and part dog, orphaned White Fang relies on his instincts as well as his inborn strength and courage to survive in the Yukon wilderness despite both animal and human predators but eventually comes to make his peace with man.
Widow's Broom, The	Chris Van Allsburg	A witch's worn-out broom serves a widow well, until her neighbors decide the thing is wicked and dangerous.
Wild Man Island	Will Hobbs	After fourteen-year-old Andy slips away from his kayaking group to visit the wilderness site of his archaeologist father's death, a storm strands him on Admiralty Island, Alaska, where he manages to

		survive, encounters unexpected animal and human inhabitants, and looks for traces of the earliest prehistoric immigrants to America.
Wind in the Willows	Kenneth Grahame	One of the true classics of English literature, here are the adventures of Mole, Water Rat, Badger, and Toad. Grahame's idyllic world is as fresh now as when they first discovered his enchanting tales--of Ratty sculling his boat on the River, Badger grumpily entertaining his friends in his comfortable underground home, and the exasperating Toad being driven into one tangle after another by his obsession with motor cars.
Witch of Blackbird Pond	Elizabeth George Speare	In 1687 in Connecticut, Kit Tyler, feeling out of place in the Puritan household of her aunt, befriends an old woman considered a witch by the community and suddenly finds herself standing trial for witchcraft.
Worm, The	Michael Dahl	Finnegan, his uncle, and their friend are off to an archeological dig in Angular, land of giant cacti, jungles, and buried dinosaurs. The crew digs up a very valuable dinosaur egg. But digging too deeply can stir up trouble, not to mention a murder or two.
Wringer	Jerry Spinelli	As Palmer comes of age, he must either accept the violence of being a wringer at his town's annual Pigeon Day or find the courage to oppose it.
Wrinkle in Time, A	<u>Madeleine L'Engle</u>	Meg Murry and her friends become involved with unearthly strangers and a search for Meg's father, who has disappeared while engaged in secret work for the government.
Year Down Yonder, A	Richard Peck	Chicago-bred Mary Alice has been sentenced to a year-long stay in rural Illinois with her irrepressible, rough and gruff grandmother. Soon, however, she becomes Grandma's partner in crime, helping to carry out schemes to benefit friends and avenge enemies
You Come Too	Robert Frost	A collection of poems chosen by Frost to be read and enjoyed by children including; "Acquainted with the Night," "A Patch of Old Snow," "Not of School Age," and "Mending Wall."
You're a Brave Man, Mr. Julius Zimmerman	Claudia Mills	Twelve-year-old Julius has his hands full over the summer when his mother attempts to improve his grades and teach him responsibility by signing him up for a French class and getting him a job babysitting.
Zeely	Virginia Hamilton	Geeder's summer at her uncle's farm is made special because of her friendship with a very tall, composed woman who raises hogs and who closely resembles the magazine photograph of a Watutsi queen.
Zippity Zinger	Henry Winkler	The pressure is on when Hank Zipzer is chosen as pitcher for the softball team at Public School 87's annual Olympiad, the most anticipated day of the school year.