

CHILDREN'S FICTION

***Aru Shah and the End of Time* by Roshani Chokshi**

Twelve-year-old Aru stretches the truth to fit in at her private school, but when she is dared to prove an ancient lamp is cursed, she inadvertently frees an ancient demon.

***Checked* by Cynthia Kadohata**

To help his dog through cancer treatment, Conor gives up hockey and finds himself considering who he is without it, and connecting more with his family and best friend.

***Fairy Mom and Me* by Sophie Kinsella**

Ella Brook cannot wait to grow up and be a fairy just like her mom, even though she usually has to come to the rescue when her mom's spells backfire.

Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus

by Dusti Bowling

A spunky girl born without arms and a boy with Tourette syndrome navigate middle school, disabilities, and friendship--all while solving a mystery in a western theme park.

***The Mad Wolf's Daughter* by Diane Magras**

A Scottish medieval adventure, the youngest in a war-band must free her family from a castle prison after knights attack.

***The Night Diary* by Veera Hiranandani**

In this poignant, personal, and hopeful tale set in newly divided 1947 India, one girl journeys to find a new home in a divided country.

***Rebound* by Kwame Alexander**

In the summer of 1988, twelve-year-old Chuck Bell is sent to stay with his grandparents, where he discovers jazz and basketball and learns more about his family's past.

Two Dogs in a Trench Coat Go to School

by Julie Falatko

Dogs Sassy and Waldo worry about their boy who always comes home from school smelling of anxiety, so they come up with a plan to help him by finding out what is bothering him.

***Wishtree* by Katherine Applegate**

An old red oak tree tells how he and his crow friend, Bongo, help their human neighbors get along after a threat against an immigrant family is carved into the tree's trunk.

***You Go First* by Erin Entrada Kelly**

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

POETRY

Macy McMillan and the Rainbow Goddess

by Shari Green

Dealing with a new stepdad, siblings, and moving, deaf sixth-grader Macy is told that she must help her elderly neighbor who is getting ready to move to a nursing home.

Song of the Wild: A First Book of Animals

by Nicola Davies

This is a captivating first look at animals around the world.

***This Is the Nest that Robin Built* by Denise Fleming**

A robin's animal friends help build her nest in this cumulative collage picture book.

***Can I Touch Your Hair? Poems of Race, Mistakes, and Friendship* by Charles Waters & Irene Latham**

Two fifth-grade poets, one white and one black, explore race and childhood in poetry tailored to provoke thought and conversation.

***Countdown: 2979 Days to the Moon* by Suzanne**

Slade

Powerful free verse and stunning illustrations tell the true story of the American effort to land the first man on the Moon.

GRAPHIC NOVELS

***Fake Blood* by Whitney Gardner**

In order to get the attention of the girl he likes, eleven-year-old A.J. pretends to be a vampire, unaware that she intends to be a slayer.

***Mr. Wolf's Class* by Aron Nels Steinke**

This is a vibrant, funny new series that charmingly captures the everyday antics of a fourth-grade classroom!

***My Beijing* by Nie Jun**

Yu'er and her grandpa live in a small neighborhood in Beijing—and it's full of big personalities. There's a story around every corner, and each day has a hint of magic.

***New Shoes* by Sara Varon**

Francis the donkey is the best shoemaker in the village. One day he receives a special order from his favorite singer, and to make the perfect pair of shoes, he must leave his village for the first time.

***The Time Museum* by Matthew Loux**

When Delia finds herself working at the Time Museum, the last thing she expects is to be sent on time-traveling adventures with an unlikely gang of kids from across the eons.

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INFORMATIONAL

***Earth! My First 4.54 Billion Years* by Stacy McAnulty**

Earth introduces readers to key moments in its life, from its formation to the present, including its position in the solar system and its layers.

***The Faithful Spy: Dietrich Bonhoeffer and the Plot to Kill Hitler* by John Hendrix**

Text and illustrations tell the story of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a German pastor who spoke out against the Nazi regime.

***Flying Colors: A Guide to Flags From Around the World* by Robert Fresson**

Authors share historical and whimsical graphics to look at different flags from around the world.

***Joan Procter, Dragon Doctor: The Woman Who Loved Reptiles* by Patricia Valdez**

Joan Procter was an English woman who loved reptiles and, while a curator of reptiles at the London Zoo in the 1920s, worked with Komodo dragons.

***Lovely Beasts: The Surprising Truth* by Kate Gardner**

This picture book encourages kids to look beyond first impressions by sharing unexpected details about seemingly scary wild animals.

***Malala's Magic Pencil* by Malala Yousafzai**

This beautifully illustrated volume tells Malala's story and shows them the worldview that allowed her to hold on to hope even in the most difficult of times.

***Not So Different: What You Really Want to Ask About Having a Disability* by Shane Burcaw**

This photo-illustrated picture book answers questions about Shane's life with spinal muscular atrophy with equal parts optimism, humor, and empathy.

***Otis and Will Discover the Deep: The Record-Setting Dive of the Bathysphere* by Barb Rosenstock**

Engineer Otis Barton and naturalist Will Beebe are the first humans to witness deep sea creatures in their natural habitat by diving to record-breaking depths in their bathysphere.

***Saving Fiona: The Story of the World's Most Famous Baby Hippo* by Thane Maynard**

This is the story of a baby hippo born prematurely at the Cincinnati Zoo, the team of scientists who nursed her to health, and the vast community who rallied around her.

***Sergeant Reckless: The True Story of the Little Horse Who Became a Hero* by Patricia McCormick**

This looks at the life and contributions to the Korean War made by the horse Sergeant Reckless.

PICTURE BOOKS

***Can I Be Your Dog?* by Troy Cummings**

A dog looking for a home sends letters to prospective owners on Butternut Street, with surprising results.

***A Cooked-up Fairy Tale* by Ben Mantle**

A hapless young chef, hoping to impress workers at Fairy-Tale Headquarters, cooks some story ingredients he has found, and gives a new twist to familiar tales.

***Knock Knock* by Tammi Sauer**

The author uses knock-knock jokes to tell the story of Bear and his woodland friends Raccoon, Rabbit, Turtle, and others.

***My Pillow Keeps Moving* by Christopher Weyant**

A clever pup ends up in a cozy home, and she'll do anything to stay there. She impersonates everything the lonely homeowner needs – a pillow, a footstool, a jacket. But in the end, being herself works best.

***My Toothbrush Is Missing* by Jan Thomas**

When his toothbrush goes missing, Dog's friends help him look for it.

***Petra* by Marianna Coppo**

Petra is a little rock who believes she is a mighty mountain... until a dog fetches her for its owner, and she is tossed into a bird's nest. A mountain? No, Petra is now an egg! An egg in a world of possibility.

***The Rabbit Listened* by Cori Doerrfeld**

When Taylor's block castle is destroyed, all the animals think they know just what to do, but only the rabbit quietly listens to how Taylor is feeling.

***Walrus in the Bathtub* by Deborah Underwood**

When a family finds a walrus in the bathtub of their new house, it's the worst thing ever--or is it?

***We Don't Eat Our Classmates* by Ryan T. Higgins**

When the class pet bites the finger of Penelope, a tyrannosaurus rex, she finally understands why she should not eat her classmates, no matter how tasty they are.

***When Pigs Fly* by James Burks**

Henry is ready to do what no pig has done before. Even his sister cannot stop Henry from trying, until it looks as though gravity might finally get the better of him. Fortunately, Henrietta has an idea that gives both of them a lift.

YOUNG ADULT FICTION

***Children of Blood and Bone* by Tomi Adeyemi**

Seventeen-year-old Zelie, her older brother Tzain, and rogue Princess Amari fight to restore magic to the land and activate a new generation of magi, but they are ruthlessly pursued by the Crown Prince Inan, who believes the return of magic will mean the end of the monarchy.

***Dear Martin* by Nic Stone**

Writing letters to the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., seventeen-year-old college-bound Justyce McAllister struggles to face the reality of race relations today and how they are shaping him.

***The Epic Crush of Genie Lo* by F. C. Yee**

Sixteen-year-old Genie discovers she's a celestial spirit who's powerful enough to bash through the gates of heaven with her fists, and Quentin, a mysterious transfer student from China, becomes Genie's self-appointed guide to battling demons.

***Not If I Save You First* by Ally Carter**

After Maddie and best friend Logan, the president's son, were kidnapped and Maddie's dad, a Secret Service agent, was wounded, they moved to Alaska. Six years later, Logan shows up and needs saving from the wilderness and men pursuing him.

***The Other Side of Lost* by Jessie Kirby**

This emotionally charged story is about a girl who takes to the wilderness to rediscover herself and escape the superficial persona she created on social media.

***The Prince and the Dressmaker* by Jen Wang**

The prince's best friend Frances is a brilliant dressmaker who supplies him with dresses and protects his secret life as the hottest fashion icon. How long can she defer her own dreams to protect a friend?

***Sea Witch* by Sarah Henning**

Evie's been lonely and hiding her talents ever since her best friend Anna died. When a new girl arrives who looks just like Anna, Evie learns that her new friend can't stay on two legs without her continuous help, which may require her to bargain away her own happiness.

***Truly Devious* by Maureen Johnson**

New at Ellingham Academy, Stevie Bell tries to both solve a murder at campus and the cold case of a double kidnapping.

***The Valiant* by Lesley Livingston**

Seventeen-year-old Fallon, the daughter of a Celtic king whose other daughter was killed, is sold to a training school for female gladiators owned by Caesar and must overcome rivalries while trying to understand her feelings for Cai, a young Roman soldier.

***Words in Deep Blue* by Cath Crowley**

Teenagers Rachel and Henry find their way back to each other while working in an old bookstore full of secrets and crushes, love letters and memories, grief and hope.