

| Rising 6th-8th Graders | | |
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| FICTION | Author | Description |
| <i>Firegirl</i> J FICTION ABB | Tony Abbott | Jessica was not a part of their 7th Grade class for long. But the impact she made, especially for Tony, is lasting. |
| <i>I lived on Butterfly Hill</i> J HIST AGO | Marjorie Agosin | When her beloved country, Chile, is taken over by a militaristic, sadistic government, Celeste is sent to America for her safety and her parents must go into hiding before they "disappear." |
| <i>Booked</i> J FICTION ALE | Kwame Alexander | Twelve-year-old Nick loves soccer and hates books, but soon learns the power of word |
| <i>The Crossover</i> J FICTION ALE | Kwame Alexander | Fourteen-year-old twin basketball stars Josh and Jordan wrestle with highs and lows on and off the court as their father ignores his declining health. |
| <i>Tía Lola series</i> J FICTION ALV | Julia Alvarez | Miguel's Tía Lola is visiting from the Dominican Republic and he is worried his new classmates will think she is a nut. |
| <i>Zombie Baseball Beatdown</i> J FICTION BAC | Paolo Bacigalupi | While practicing for their next baseball game, friends Rabi, Miguel, and Joe discover that the activities of the local meatpacking plant have caused cows to turn into zombies. |
| <i>Chasing Vermeer or others in series</i> J MYSTERY BAL | Blue Balliett | Petra and Calder both like solving puzzles. A valuable painting is missing. Will they be the ones to find it? |
| <i>Eighth Grade Bites</i> TEEN FICTION BRE | Heather Brewer | Vlad is having a rough year. But add the fact that he is a (secret) vampire, and it might all just be too much. |
| <i>Anya's Ghost</i> TEEN GRAPHIX FICTION BRO | Vera Brosgol | Embarrassed by her Russian immigrant family and self-conscious about her body, Anya has given up on fitting in at school, but falling down a well and making friends with the ghost there just may be worse. |
| <i>Ask Me No Questions</i> TEEN FICTION BUD | Marina Tamar Budhos | Nadira and Aisha's father is detained at the Canadian border. Can they live a normal life in Queens, NY? |
| <i>Spy Academy series (Gallagher Girls)</i> TEEN FICTION CAR | Ally Carter | As a student at a secret spy school and the daughter of a former CIA operative, Cammie meets a local boy while on a class surveillance mission. |
| <i>Al Capone Does My Shirts or others</i> J FICTION CHO | Gennifer Choldenko | In 1935, Moose and his family move to Alcatraz Island where his father is a guard at the famous prison. |
| <i>Bud, Not Buddy</i> J FICTION CUR | Christopher Paul Curtis | Bud runs away from a terrible foster home. Join him as he sets out on a journey to find his father. |
| <i>Ball Don't Lie</i> TEEN FICTION DEL | Matt de la Pena | Seventeen-year-old Sticky lives for basketball but he is unaware of the many dangers—including his own past—that threaten his dream of playing professionally. |
| <i>City of Ember series</i> J FICTION DUP | Jeanne DuPrau | In a dystopian time, twelve-year-old Lina becomes a messenger to run to new places in her decaying but beloved city, perhaps even to glimpse Unknown Regions. |
| <i>The Luck Uglies</i> J FANTASY DUR | Paul Durham | Rye and her friends delve into the lore of their village when mysterious creatures of legend reappear, leading them to the notorious secret society, the Luck Uglies. |
| <i>Hour of the Bees</i> J FIC EAG | Lindsay Eagar | Carol is not happy to spend the summer helping move her grandfather to an assisted living home, but she finds herself drawn to his stories. |
| <i>Better Nate than Ever</i> J FIC FED | Tim Federle | An eighth-grader who dreams of performing in a Broadway musical concocts a plan to run away to New York and audition for the role of Elliot in the musical version of "E.T." |
| <i>Ranger's Apprentice series</i> J FANTASY FLA | John Flanagan | Will wants to join the Battle School and become a knight, but he ends up a Ranger's Apprentice instead. |
| <i>Flying Lessons</i> J STORIES FLY | (various authors) | From basketball dreams and family fiascoes to first crushes and new neighborhoods, this anthology celebrates the uniqueness and universality in all of us. |
| <i>The Thief Lord</i> J FICTION FUN | Cornelia Funke | Two brothers run away and live with a group of children in an abandoned movie theater. |
| <i>The Graveyard Book or Graphic</i> J FICTION GAI | Neil Gaiman | Narrowly escaping a killer, a toddler wanders into a graveyard and is raised by ghosts, ghouls, and others. |
| <i>Moving Target or Return Fire</i> J FIC GON | Christina Diaz Gonzalez | Cassie is a student in Rome, but her life changes when a secret organization shoots her father—and she learns that she is a member of an ancient bloodline. |
| <i>The Road to Paris</i> J FICTION GRI | Nikki Grimes | Paris must learn to cope in a mostly white town when she moves to a new foster home far from her brother. |

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| The Other Boy J FICTION HEN | M.G. Hennessey | Twelve-year-old Shane loves pitching for his baseball team, working on his graphic novel, and hanging out with his best friend, Josh. But Shane is keeping something private... |
| <i>Hoot</i> J FICTION HIA | Carl Hiaasen | On Roy's first day of school in Coconut Grove, Florida, he becomes involved in a plan to save a colony of owls. |
| <i>Middle School Is Worse Than Meatloaf</i> J FICTION HOL | Jennifer L. Holm | Learn all about Ginny's year in seventh grade by reading her stuff—letters, notes, report cards, IMs and more. |
| <i>Warriors series</i> TEEN FANTASY HUN | Erin Hunter | Warrior cats face danger and adventure as they dwell in their forest clans. |
| <i>The Color of My Words</i> J FICTION JOS | Lynn Joseph | Ana Rosa wants to be a writer, but in her Dominican Republic village, it is difficult just to get a piece of paper. |
| <i>Half a World Away</i> J FICTION KAD | Cynthia Kadohata | An emotionally damaged boy fascinated by electricity, feels a connection to a toddler with special needs in Kazakhstan, where Jaden's family is trying to adopt another child. |
| <i>Schooled</i> TEEN FICTION KOR | Gordon Korman | Homeschooled on a hippie commune, Capricorn has no idea what it means to be an average middle school kid. |
| The Lions of Little Rock J HIST LEV | Kristen Levine | In 1958 Little Rock, Arkansas, shy Marlee sees her city and family divided over school integration, but her friendship with Liz helps her find her voice. |
| <i>In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson</i> J HISTORIC LOR | Bette Lord | Brooklyn, New York is very different from China. But Shirley Temple Wong is determined to make America her country. |
| <i>The Night Tourist</i> TEEN FICTION MAR | Katherine Marsh | Jack is sent to New York City to see a doctor after his mother's death.. There he meets Euri, a ghost girl. |
| <i>Visions series</i> TEEN FICTION MCM | Lisa McMann | Sixteen-year-old Jules starts seeing a recurring vision that includes a truck crash and forbidden love. |
| <i>The Cruisers</i> J FICTION MYE | Walter Dean Myers | Friends who are caught in the middle of a mock Civil War at school learn the true cost of freedom of speech when they use their alternative newspaper, to try to make peace. |
| <i>Ghetto Cowboy</i> TEEN FICTION NER | Greg Neri | When Cole skips school too many times, his mother sends him to live with the father he has never known. |
| <i>A Single Shard</i> J FICTION PAR | Linda Sue Park | A poor orphan boy and old man live under a bridge. Then the boy sees something that changes his worldview. |
| Middle School Series J FIC PAT | James Patterson | Rafe isn't exactly considered a winner in his school, but everything's about to change. He's won an art competition, and the prize is an Australian adventure! |
| <i>The Legend of Bass Reeves</i> J FICTION PAU | Gary Paulsen | Based on a real life. Reeves escaped slavery, lived with the Creeks, and became a great lawman of the Old West. |
| <i>The Teacher's Funeral: A Comedy in Three Parts</i> J FICTION PEC | Richard Peck | In 1904, Russell believes his dream of no more school has come true when his teacher passes away. |
| <i>Dead City</i> J FICTION PON | James Ponti | Seventh-grader Molly has always been an outsider, but that changes when she is recruited to join the Omegas, a secret group that regulates and protects zombies. |
| <i>Cold Cereal Saga books</i> J FANTASY REX | Adam Rex | Three kids must save the world from the schemes of an evil breakfast cereal company, which has been luring creatures to our world through a rift in the time-space continuum. |
| <i>8th Grade Superzero</i> TEEN FICTION RHU | Olugbemisola Rhuday-Perkovich | What if you threw up on the first day of 8th grade? Would your new nickname be Pukey? Find out! |
| <i>Walking to the Bus-Rider Blues</i> J FICTION ROB | Harriette Robinet | The Montgomery bus boycott means Alfa can't get to work. What can he do? His family relies on the money he makes. |
| <i>Becoming Naomi Leon</i> J FICTION RYA | Pam Muñoz Ryan | Naomi and her brother like living with their Gram at Avocado Acres. One day, their mother returns. |
| Echo J HIST RYA | Pam Muñoz Ryan | Lost in the Black Forest, Otto meets three mysterious sisters and finds himself entwined in a prophecy, a promise, and a harmonica |
| <i>The Invention of Hugo Cabret</i> J FICTION SEL | Brian Selznick | Hugo is trying to survive undetected in a Paris train station in this story told mostly through pictures. |
| <i>Spirit Animals series</i> J FICTION SPI | various authors | As a dark force engulfs the land, the fate of Erdas has fallen to four young strangers who have forged a bond with their spirit beasts that gives them great powers. |
| <i>Holes or Small Steps</i> J FICTION SAC | Louis Sachar | The family curse has struck Stanley, who spends days digging holes at a detention camp run by an evil warden. |
| <i>Under the Blood-Red Sun</i> TEEN FICTION SAL | Graham Salisbury | After the bombing of Pearl Harbor, Tomi's Japanese-born father and Grampa are arrested. |
| <i>The Wednesday Wars</i> J FICTION SCH | Gary D. Schmidt | Every week, Holling spends afternoons with his awful teacher while his classmates attend religious instruction. |

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| <i>Loser or Maniac Magee</i> J FICTION SPI | Jerry Spinelli | Daniel's exuberance and the support of his loving family keep him confident about life. Or Maniac Magee's life becomes legendary with his feats which awe his peers. |
| <i>Emerald Atlas</i> J FICTION STE | John Stephens | Three kids have passed from one orphanage to another but now they learn that they have special powers, a prophesied quest to find a magical book, and a fearsome enemy. |
| <i>Celeste's Harlem Renaissance</i> J HISTORIC TAT | Eleanora E. Tate | Celeste is upset when she is sent to stay with her famous aunt. But 1921 Harlem might just be an exciting place. |
| <i>The Gold Cadillac</i> J FICTION TAY | Mildred D. Taylor | An African American family travels through segregated Mississippi in their beautiful 1950 gold Cadillac. |
| <i>100 Cupboards or others in series</i> J FICTION WIL | N.D. Wilson | After his parents are kidnapped, Henry leaves Boston and moves to Kansas, where he and his cousin explore hidden doors in his attic room that seem to open onto other worlds. |
| <i>The Red Rose Box</i> J FICTION WOO | Brenda Woods | Leah is excited to visit her aunt in California. But a family tragedy forever changes life for Leah and her sister. |
| <i>Feathers or Locomotion</i> J FICTION WOO | Jacqueline Woodson | Hope is the thing with feathers' starts the poem Frannie is reading in school. Frannie hasn't thought much about hope. |
| <i>Milliecent Min: Girl Genius</i> J FICTION YEE | Lisa Yee | Millie is going into 12th grade even though she's only 11. She wants to spend the summer studying, but her parents have other plans. |
| Lumberjanes series J GRAPHIX FICTION LUM | Noelle Stevenson | At Camp for Hardcore Lady Types, things are not what they seem. Three-eyed foxes. Secret caves. Anagrams! |
| <i>William and the Lost Spirit</i> J GRAPHIX FIC BON | Gwen De Bonneval | William, the grandson of a feudal lord in the thirteenth century, sets out to discover his father's killer. |
| Princess Decomposia and Count Spatula T GRAPHIX FICTION WAT | Andi Watson | Princess Decomposia, overworked and underappreciated, runs the underworld for her layabout father |
| Fantasy Sports T GRAPHIX FICTION FAN | Sam Bosma | A young explorer and her musclebound friend go treasure hunting in a mummy's tomb. |
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| <i>Non Fiction</i> | Author | Description |
| <i>We Want You to Know: Kids Talk about Bullying</i> TEEN 302.343 ALL | Deborah Ellis | Young people all over the world deal with bullying. In this book, real kids talk about their experiences, from both sides of the experience. What would you do? |
| <i>We've Got a Job</i> J 323.119 LEV | Cynthia Levinson | Let's go back to 1963 Alabama where kids went to jail to help stop segregation in a racially violent city. |
| <i>A Dream of Freedom</i> J 323.1196 MCW | Diane McWhorter | Explore the civil rights movement from 1954 to 1968, when Martin Luther King, Jr. was assassinated. |
| <i>Real Spy's Guide to Becoming a Spy</i> J 327.12 EAR | Peter Earnest | Do you enjoy espionage and intrigue? This book contains spy slang as well as quizzes and tests. |
| <i>March, Books 1 and 2</i> GRAPHIX 328.73092 LEW | John Lewis | A first-hand account of the author's lifelong struggle for rights spans his youth, his life-changing meeting with Martin Luther King, Jr., and the growth of the civil rights movement. |
| <i>The New 50 Simple Things Kids Can Do to Save the Earth</i> J 363.7 NEW | | From your own neighborhood to the faraway rainforests, find out what is happening to our planet and what you can do about it. |
| <i>Nazi Hunters</i> TEEN 364.151 BAS | Neal Bascomb | The Nazi hunters were a team of spies and survivors that captured the world's most notorious Naz |
| <i>Crow Smarts</i> J 598.864 | Pamela S. Turner | The team behind The Frog Scientist take you on a research trip to New Caledonia in the Pacific Ocean to follow crows in aviaries and in the wild |
| <i>We've Got Your Number</i> J 510.76 BAL | Mukul Patel | Enjoy the magic tricks, brain teasers, puzzles and interesting things about numbers in this book. |
| Human Body Theater J GRAPHIX 612 | Maris Wicks | Your host for today's show is a human skeleton, and she's ready to explain it all. You're sure to become a BONE-afied expert on the one and only human body! |
| <i>Pandemic Survival: It's Why You're Alive</i> TEEN 614.49 LOV | Ann Love and Jane Drake | History is full of gruesome pandemics, and surviving those pandemics has shaped our society and way of life. Every person today is alive because of an ancestor who survived. |
| <i>An American Plague</i> J 614.541 MUR | Jim Murphy | It is 1793 and the deadly yellow fever, has shut down Philadelphia, the capital of the new U.S. |
| <i>Team Moon</i> J 629.454 THI | Catherine Thimmesh | In July 1969, half a billion people watched Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin land on the moon. |
| <i>How do you Burp in Space?</i> J 629.45 GOO | Susan Goodman | Ready to vacation in outer space? No need for shoes, your feet never touch ground. Zero gravity is fun! |

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| <i>Bomb: The Race to Build and Steal the World's Most Dangerous Weapon</i> J 623.451 SHE | Steve Sheinkin | Imagine you've discovered that placing a Uranium atom next to radioactive material will split an atom in two. You could rule the world with this knowledge. So, what happened? |
| <i>101 Ways You Can Help Save the Planet Before You're 12!</i> J 640 OSU | Joanne O'Sullivan | Seventeen million barrels of oil are used each year to make disposable water bottles. Tip #4 — get a reusable water bottle and help save the earth. |
| <i>The Worst-Case Scenario Survival Handbook: Junior Edition</i> J 646.7 BOR | David Borgenicht | A fun range of survival skills to help you deal with life, such as riding a bus to school, tripping in the cafeteria and coping with bullies. |
| <i>Top Secret: A Handbook of Codes, Ciphers, and Secret Writing</i> J 652.8 JAN | Paul B. Janeczko | Write a secret code. Break a secret code. The tips and tricks are all here for future agents, spies or anyone who is furtive, sly and clever. |
| <i>We are the Ship: the Story of Negro League Baseball</i> J 796.357 NEL | Kadir Nelson | When African American baseball players weren't allowed to join the all-white Major League teams, they started their own league. |
| <i>Bad Boy: A Memoir</i> TEEN 813.54 MYERS | Walter Dean Myers | Author Walter Dean Myers grew up in Harlem, raised by a loving foster family but had a difficult time in adolescence. |
| <i>Natural Disasters</i> J 904.5 WAT | Claire Watts | Tsunamis, hurricanes and other natural disasters are explored in this Eyewitness favorite. |
| <i>Boys or Girls Who Rocked the World</i> J 920.71 MCM | Michelle McCann | Folks throughout history who made a difference. Some you know, many you don't, but they are all inspiring in their desire to do something meaningful. |
| Rad Women Worldwide, Rad American Women A-Z J 920.72 | Kate Schatz | 40 biographical profiles, each accompanied by a striking illustrated portrait, showcasing extraordinary women from around the world |
| Women of Action series J 978.033 MIL | Various | Meet remarkable females throughout the world and history: Women of the Frontier, Aviators, Steel & Stone, Space, American Revolution And Josephine Baker |
| Biographies | | |
| Presenting Buffalo Bill : the man who invented the Wild West J BIO BUFFALO B FLE | Candace Fleming | Everyone knows the name Buffalo Bill, but few these days know what he did or, in some cases, didn't do |
| <i>Amelia Lost: The Life and Disappearance of Amelia Earhart</i> J BIOGRAPHY EARHART FLE | Candace Fleming | A pioneer in aviation and a role model for women, Earhart won fame as an aviatrix. Her career was legendary, as was her sudden disappearance. |
| Prison Island: A Graphic Memoir T GRAPHIX BIO FRAKES | Colleen Frakes | The author shares her memories of growing up on McNeil Island in Washington State which also housed the prison where her parents worked. |
| <i>The Voice That Challenged a Nation</i> J BIOGRAPHY ANDERSON FRE | Russell Freedman | It was said that a voice like hers 'is heard once in a hundred years.'" Discover the life of Marian Anderson. |
| <i>The Notorious Benedict Arnold</i> J BIOGRAPHY ARNOLD | Steve Sheinkin | A true story of adventure, heroism, and bravery featuring Benedict Arnold. |
| <i>Taking Flight: From War Orphan to Star Ballerina</i> TEEN BIOGRAPHY DEPRINCE | Michaela DePrince | Michaela DePrince traces her journey from war-torn Sierra Leone to her loving adoptive home in New Jersey and her passion to become a prima ballerina. |
| <i>The Dumbest Idea Ever</i> J GRAPHIX BIOGRAPHY GOWNLEY | Jimmy Gownley | Jimmy Gownley shares his experiences as he grows into a teenage comic book artist in this graphic novel memoir. |
| <i>Claudette Colvin: Twice Toward Justice</i> J & TEEN BIOGRAPHY COLVIN HOO | Phillip Hoose | Before Rosa Parks took a stand, Claudette refused to give up HER seat on an Alabama bus. |
| <i>Turning 15 on the Road to Freedom</i> TEEN BIOGRAPHY LOW | Lynda Blackmon Lowery | The story of the youngest person to complete the momentous Selma to Montgomery March |
| <i>The Upstairs Room</i> J BIOGRAPHY REISS | Johanna Reiss | The author describes her life during Nazi-occupied Holland, when she hid from the Germans. |
| <i>Annie Sullivan and the Trials of Helen Keller</i> J GRAPHIX BIOGRAPHY SULLIVAN | Joseph Lambert | The story of teacher Annie Sullivan and pupil Helen Keller presented in graphic format. |
| <i>Brown Girl Dreaming</i> J BIOGRAPHY WOODSON | Jacqueline Woodson | The author tells the story of her childhood in mesmerizing verse. Raised in South Carolina and New York, Woodson always felt halfway home. |
| <i>I Am Malala</i> J BIOGRAPHY YOUSAFZAI | Malala Yousafzai | <i>When the Taliban took control of the Swat Valley, one girl spoke out. Malala Yousafzai refused to be silenced and fought for her right to an education</i> |