

Fiction

Brown, Peter. ***The Wild Robot***. 2016

When robot Roz opens her eyes for the first time, she discovers that she is alone on a remote, wild island. Why is she there? Where did she come from? And, most important, how will she survive in her harsh surroundings? Roz's only hope is to learn from the island's hostile animal inhabitants. When she tries to care for an orphaned gosling, the others finally decide to help, and the island starts to feel like home. Until one day, the robot's mysterious past comes back to haunt her ...

J Fic Brown, J CD Brown, J Playaway

Cronin, Doreen. ***Gimme Shelter***. 2017.

The Chicken Squad is back for their fifth (mis)adventure. They pride themselves on being ready for anything. Marshmallow life preserves? Check. Copious bags of jellybeans for a car ride? Check. Storm shelter? Storm shelter! They need a storm shelter in case there is ever a storm. So Sugar takes it upon himself to build one in the yard, but it turns out it's not big enough for everyone, and the big dig has unearthed some mysterious surprises.

J Fic Cronin

Cummings, Troy. ***Notebook of Doom (series)***. 2015

Alexander has just moved into Stermont, but the elementary school is being torn down, his new classroom is located in the hospital morgue, a notebook he finds is full of information about monsters - and everywhere he turns, there are spooky balloon men determined to attack him. Start with Book 1, *Rise of the Balloon Goons*, or dive into the series with the latest.

J Fic Cummings, J Paperback Cummings, eBook

Deutsch, Stacia. ***Girls Who Code (series)***. 2017

Starting with Book 1: "*The Friendship Code*," Lucy can't wait to get started with the new coding club at school. Finally, an after-school activity that she's really interested in. But Lucy's excitement turns to disappointment when she's put into a work group with girls she barely knows. All she wanted to do was make an app that she believes will help someone very special to her.

J Fic Deutsch, eBook, eAudiobook

Gutman, Dan. ***Genius Files (series)***. 2015

This series about twins Coke and Pepsi is even better with every book as they travel across the country trying to defeat the forces of evil. Start with Book 1, "Mission Unstoppable" or jump right into Book 5, "License to Thrill."

J Fic Gutman, J CD Gutman, eBook

Hirsch, Andy. **Science Comics (series)**. 2018

Every volume of Science Comics offers a complete introduction to a particular topic — dinosaurs, coral reefs, the solar system, volcanoes, bats, flying machines, and many more. These gorgeously illustrated graphic novels offer wildly entertaining views of their subjects. Whether you're a fourth grader doing a natural science unit at school or a 30-year-old with a secret passion for airplanes, these books are for you.

J GN Science

Holub, Joan. **Heroes in Training (series)**. 2016

From "Zeus and the Thunderbolt of Doom" (Book 1) through "Perseus and the Monstrous Medusa" (Book 12), Joan Holub and Suzanne Williams entertain us with their Heroes in Training books. Adventure and humor combined with simple illustrations make these great early chapter books, especially for those not quite ready for Percy Jackson.

J Fic Holub, J Paperback Holub, eBook

Hood, Ann. **Treasure Chest (series)**. 2015

The Robbins twins are traveling back through time! Each book in this series tells an exciting story about a famous historical figure. Start out with Book 1: "Clara Barton: Angel of the Battlefield" or jump into the story about Leonardo da Vinci. This is a great next series for those who loved Magic Treehouse and need a little more of a challenge.

J Fic Hood, J Paperback Hood, eBook

Korman, Gordon. **Supergifted**. 2018

In this sequel to "Ungifted," our hero Donovan has returned. While he is still the kid added to the gifted class by mistake, he now only attends weekly meetings of the robotics club.

J Fic Korman

McMann, Lisa. **Going Wild (series)**. 2016

Discovering a mysterious bracelet after moving to Arizona, Charlie Wilde finds that she has developed superhuman abilities and speed and teams up with new friends to discover what is happening to her and how to control her powers. The series got even more exciting in Book 2: "Predator vs. Prey."

J Fic McMann

Mlynowski, Sarah. **Whatever After (series)**. 2016

Once upon a time, Abby's life was normal. Then the mirror in her basement ate her. Abby and her brother, Jonah, find themselves in fairy tales that they inevitably mess up! Can the siblings find a way to make things right? If you are ready for a fresh spin on classic fairy tales, this series is for you.

J Fic Mlynowski, eBook, eAudiobook

Nye, Bill "the Science Guy." ***Jack and the Geniuses: At the Bottom of the World.*** 2017

In the series opener, "Jack and the Geniuses: At the Bottom of The World," readers meet Jack and his foster siblings, Ava and Matt, who are orphans. But they're not your typical kind of orphans — they're geniuses. Well, Ava and Matt are, which sometimes makes life difficult for 12-year-old Jack. Ava speaks multiple languages and builds robots for fun, and Matt is into astronomy and a whiz at math. As for Jack, it's hard to stand out when he's surrounded by geniuses all the time.

J Fic Nye

Paris, Harper. ***Greetings from Somewhere (series).*** 2015

Second-graders Ethan and Ella are sad about moving away from their hometown to travel the world with their mom, a journalist, and dad, who will homeschool them. Everywhere they go, they will find a mystery to solve.

J Fic Paris, J Paperback Paris, eBook

O'Doherty, David. ***Danger is Totally Everywhere.*** 2017

In this third wacky handbook about how to avoid danger of every kind — from vampiric teachers to haunted books — Dr. Noel Zone joins the teaching staff of the local school after a small mishap involving his Danger Mobile (a shopping cart). But any POD (Pupil of Dangerology) knows that schools are full of danger in the classrooms, in the lunchroom, and most definitely in the gymnasium.

J Fic O'Doh

Palacio, R.J. ***Wonder.*** 2012

Ten-year-old Auggie Pullman, who was born with extreme facial abnormalities and not expected to survive, goes from being homeschooled to entering fifth grade at a private middle school in Manhattan, which entails enduring the taunting and fear of his classmates as he struggles to be seen as just another student.

J Fic Pal, eBook

Pilkey, Dav. ***Dog Man and Cat Kid.*** 2017

Hot diggity dog! Dog Man, the newest hero from Dav Pilkey, the creator of Captain Underpants, is back — and this time he's not alone. The heroic hound with a real nose for justice now has a furry feline sidekick, and together they have a mystery to sniff out! When a new kitty sitter arrives and a glamorous movie starlet goes missing, it's up to Dog Man and Cat Kid to save the day! Will these heroes stay hot on the trail, or will Petey, the World's Most Evil Cat, send them barking up the wrong tree?

JGN Pilkey, eBook

Quinn, Jordan. ***Kingdom of Wrenly (series).*** 2015

Prince Lucas and his friend Clara are ready for adventure! In the first book, "The Lost Stone," they venture off to rescue a valuable gem. In each successive book, new fantastical creatures and adventures get even more exciting.

J Fic Quinn, J Paperback Quinn, eBook

Reynolds, Jason. **Patina**. 2017

Ghost. Lu. Patina. Sunny. Four kids from wildly different backgrounds with personalities that are explosive when they clash. But they are also four kids chosen for an elite middle school track team — a team that could qualify them for the Junior Olympics if they can get their acts together. They all have a lot to lose, but they also have a lot to prove, not only to each other, but to themselves.

YA Fic Reynolds, eBook, eAudio

Riley, James. **Storythieves (series)**. 2017

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J Fic Riley

Selznick, Brian. **Baby Monkey, Private Eye**. 2017

Baby Monkey, private eye, will investigate stolen jewels, missing pizzas, and other mysteries - if he can manage to figure out how to put his pants on.

E Selznick

Sheinkin, Steve. **Abraham Lincoln Pro Wrestler**. 2018

When Abraham Lincoln overhears a classroom of kids say "history is boring," he decides to teach them a lesson. Lincoln escapes from 1860 — to pursue his dream of becoming a professional wrestler! Now siblings Doc and Abby have to convince Lincoln to go back to Springfield, Illinois, and accept the presidency ... before everything spins out of control! "Abraham Lincoln, Pro Wrestler" is the first chapter book in the Time Twisters series from acclaimed author Steve Sheinkin. Also check out "Abigail Adams, Pirate of the Caribbean."

J Fic Sheinkin

You Choose Fairy Tales (series). 2016

Check out this nifty choose-your-own-adventure series. These books are modern versions of classic fairy tales in which you decide what happens next: *Jack and the Beanstalk, Cinderella, Little Red Riding Hood* or even *Goldilocks*.

J Paperback You Choose

Non-Fiction

Albee, Sarah. **Poison: Deadly Deeds, Perilous Professions, and Murderous Medicines**. 2017

A humorous and informative book that traces the role poisons have played in human history from antiquity to the present. This book is part history, part chemistry, part whodunit.

J 615.9 Albee

*Bowman, Chris. **Survive in the Woods.** 2016*

Could you survive in the woods? Check out this book and compare notes on the best ways to not only survive but thrive in a potentially dangerous situation.

J 613.69 Bowman

*Castellano, Peter. **Monsters! (series).** 2016*

Each book in the Monsters! non-fiction series is weirder than the last. Whether you are interested in werewolves, sea monsters, vampires, or witches, you will find something both informative and creepy.

Call numbers to be assigned for this new series include: J 001.944, J 133.43, J 398.245, J 398.45

*Harris, Chris. **I'm No Good at Rhyming.** 2017*

A laugh-out-loud collection of poems blends wit and wordplay with nonsense and oxymoron on misnumbered pages that can only be deciphered by a certain code-cracking poem. Illustrated by the Caldecott Honor-winning artist of "The Stinky Cheese Man."

J 811.6 Harris, eBook

*Herrera, Juan. **Jabberwalking.** 2017*

Can you walk and talk at the same time? How about jabberwalk? Can you write and draw and walk and journal all at the same time? If not, exuberant, blue-cheesy cilantro man Juan Felipe Herrera, Poet Laureate of the United States, is here to teach you everything he knows about being a real-life, bonafide, jabberwalking poet! Jabberwalkers write and speak for themselves and others no matter where their feet may take them - to jabberwalk is to be a poet on the move. And there's no stopping once you're a jabberwalker, writing fast, fast, fast, scribble-poem-burbles-on-the-run.

J 808.1 Herrera

*Jenkins, Martin. **Exploring Space: From Galileo to the Mars Rover and Beyond.** 2017*

For centuries, humans have looked up at the night sky and wondered what it's like deep in space, far from Earth — and now we've begun to find out. We've landed on the moon, put robots on Mars, and sent space probes billions of miles to explore the far reaches of our solar system. Told in richly detailed cutaway illustrations by Stephen Biesty and friendly, engaging writing by Martin Jenkins, this is the enthralling story of how we made the great leap into space and what we've discovered there. Find out what life is like on the International Space Station, what the chances are that we will ever settle on Mars, where in the solar system we might find alien life, and why visiting other stars will almost certainly remain a dream. Budding astronomers, junior astronauts, and anyone who has ever gazed up at the stars in fascination will pore over this beautifully intricate yet accessible glimpse of the infinite wonders of space.

J 629.4 Jenkins

*Langston-George, Rebecca. **For the Right to Learn: Malala Yousafzai's Story.** 2016*

She grew up in a world where women were supposed to be quiet, but Malala Yousafzai refused to be silent. She defied the Taliban's rules, spoke out for education for every girl, and was almost killed for her beliefs. This powerful true story of how one brave girl changed the world proves that one person really can make a difference.

J BIO Yousafzai

Langston- George, Rebecca. ***The Booth Brothers***. 2018

Today everyone knows the name of John Wilkes Booth, the notorious zealot who assassinated Abraham Lincoln. But in his lifetime, the killer was an actor who was well-known among fans of the theater, but less famous than his brother Edwin. Edwin lived in New York and sympathized with the Union cause, while his younger brother stomped the streets of Washington, D.C., and raged as the Civil War turned in favor of the North. John fantasized about kidnapping the president, but after the defeat of the Confederacy, he sought deadly vengeance. The night while Lincoln attended a performance at Ford's Theatre, Edwin was far away, knowing nothing of the plot unfolding in the nation's capital.

J 973.738 Langston

Markle, Sandra. ***The Great Penguin Rescue: Saving the African Penguins***. 2018

Learn about the real struggles of today's African penguins. Despite South African government efforts to protect the penguin colonies and their ocean fish supply, young penguins still struggle to survive. Fuzzy chicks waiting for food in open nests may overheat in the sun or become prey. Others simply may not get enough food to survive on their own once their parents leave. But new conservation methods, including rescuing and hand-feeding vulnerable chicks, are giving experts hope. Can volunteers and scientists help save Africa's only penguins before it's too late?

J 598.47 Markle

Mizielińska, Aleksandra. ***Under Water; Under Earth***. 2016

Hundreds of fascinating facts are waiting to be unearthed in this book from Aleksandra and Daniel Mizieliński, the creative duo behind "Maps." Dive below the surface, and find out what happens under the earth and under the water. From early submarines and deep-sea life, to burrowing animals and man-made tunnels - you will never look at the world in the same way again!

J 551 Mizielińska

Rea, Amy. ***Mystery of the Roanoke Colonists***. 2016

Get closer to solving the mystery of the Roanoke Colonists with this riveting title. Learn about leading theories, important clues, and study the evidence to develop your own conclusions about the disappearance of this group of people. Need more history? *The Mysteries of History Series* examines different historical events that have not yet been explained. From the missing Roanoke colonist to Area 51, find out what the experts think may have happened and decide for yourself what you think really happened.

J 001.94 Mysteries

Rusch, Elizabeth. ***Impact!: Asteroids and the Science of Saving the World***. 2017

Asteroids bombard our atmosphere all the time. Some are harmless, burning up in a flash of light. But others explode with a great sonic boom, smashing windows and throwing people to the ground. Worst of all, some asteroids strike our planet, blasting out massive craters and destroying everything nearby on impact. Follow author Elizabeth Rusch into the field with scientists as they search for dangerous asteroids in space, study asteroids that have smashed into the ground, and make plans to prevent an asteroid strike if one ever threatens our planet.

J 551.397 Rusch

Sheinkin, Steve. *Undefeated*. 2017

A great American sport and Native American history come together in this true story of how Jim Thorpe and Pop Warner created the legendary Carlisle Indians football team.

YA 796.332

Socha, Piotr. *Bees: A Honeyed History*. 2017

One part science, one part cultural history, and countless parts fascination, this book celebrates the important role that these intriguing insects have played in our ecosystem throughout the ages. From Athena to Alexander the Great and from Egypt to Ethiopia, find out about different methods of beekeeping and uncover the debt that humans owe this vital species. With beautifully accessible illustrations depicting everything from bee anatomy to the essentials of honey making, readers will be captivated by the endless wonders of this seemingly small speck of the animal kingdom.

J 595.799 Socha