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Grades K-1

Picture Books

Angleberger

Crankee Doodle

A pony tries to convince his cranky owner to take a ride into town.

Atinuke

Splash, Anna Hibiscus!

Anna Hibiscus lives in Africa. Amazing Africa -- and today she is going to the beach with her family. The laughing waves are splashing! Who will splash with Anna?

Beaty

Rosie Revere, Engineer

A young aspiring engineer must first conquer her fear of failure.

Best

Beatrice: Spells Some Lulus and Learns to Write a Letter

Beatrice enjoys learning to spell, and gets really excited about it after some encouragement from her grandmother, but she has trouble convincing her classmates that spelling is not boring.

Brown

Mr. Tiger Goes Wild

Bored with city life and the proper behavior it requires, Mr. Tiger has a wild idea that leads him to discover his true nature.

Carle

Whats Your Favorite Animal?

Fourteen children's book artists share their favorite animals and why they love them.

Cooper

Train

Board a commuter train in New York, then follow the journey west and see the stations, the scenery, the different types of trains, and all the people who travel and work on the railroad system.

Cotten

The Book Boat's In

On a book boat on the Erie Canal in the 1800s, Jessie spots a used copy of The Swiss Family Robinson, then works very hard all week to earn the money he needs to buy it.

Cunnane

Deep in the Sahara

An Arab girl of the Sahara who wants to wear a malafa, the veiled dress worn by her mother and older sister, learns that the garment represents beauty, mystery, tradition, belonging, and faith.

Daywalt

The Day the Crayons Quit

When Duncan arrives at school one morning, he finds a stack of letters, one from each of his crayons, complaining about how he uses them.

Deacon

Cheese Belongs to You!

The law of the rats says if there is cheese, it's YOUR cheese... unless...

Dempsey

A Dance Like Starlight: One Ballerinas Dream

A young girl growing up in Harlem in the 1950s, whose mother cleans and stitches costumes for a ballet company, dreams of becoming a prima ballerina one day.

Grades K - 1, cont.

Escoffier

Rabbit and the Not-So-Big-Bad Wolf

Rabbit is afraid of the Big Bad Wolf, but the Not-So-Big-Bad Wolf brings a delightful surprise.

Fogliano

If You Want to See a Whale

Advises the reader about what to do, and not do, in order to successfully spot a whale, such as wrapping up in a not-too-cozy blanket, ignoring the roses, and especially, being patient.

Fretz

Pirates on the Farm

Many people are concerned, most of all Mother, when a band of pirates buys the farm next door, but Dad teaches them how to plant seeds, milk cows, ride horses, and much more while simply being a good neighbor.

Gerstein

The First Drawing

30,000 years ago, an imaginative child sees the shapes of animals in clouds and on the walls of the cave he shares with his family, but no one else can see them until he makes the world's first drawing.

Greene

"No Pirates Allowed!" Said Library Lou

Big Pirate Pete's treasure map has led him to Seabreezy Library, where Library Lou must convince him that the true treasure is the book.

Hancocks

Penguin in Peril

Three hungry cats steal a penguin, and then see the penguin escape.

Heos

Mustache Baby

Baby Billy is born with a mustache and his parents must figure out if it's a Good-Guy mustache, or a Bad-Guy mustache.

☆Idle

Flora and the Flamingo

In this wordless book with interactive flaps, a friendship develops between a girl named Flora and a graceful flamingo, as they learn to dance together.

Kimmel

Little Red Hot

A hot pepper pie exposes the big bad wolf in this southwestern retelling of Little Red Riding Hood.

McNamara

The Apple Orchard Riddle

When students in Mr. Tiffin's class are invited to solve a riddle during a field trip to an apple orchard, it is Tara's daydreams that may lead to the answer.

Mortensen

Cowpoke Clyde and Dirty Dawg

Following increasingly chaotic attempts to give his dog a bath, Cowpoke Clyde discovers there is only one way to get Dawg into the tub.

Robinson

Whales Shines: An Artistic Tale

Encouraged by his sidekicks, the glow-in-the-dark plankton, a self-doubting whale learns that anyone can be an artist and everyone has something unique to contribute.

Grades K - 1, cont.

Stephens

How to Hide a Lion

Iris understands that grown-ups are afraid of lions, but when she finds one in her playhouse she knows he is kind so she keeps him hidden from her parents for as long as possible.

Tobin

The Very Inappropriate Word

Michael loves collecting words, especially those that are unusual, and knowing that one of his new words is naughty does not stop him from sharing it with his friends at school.

Srinivasan

Octopus Alone

Octopus leaves her cave in a lively reef because she is shy and the seahorses there find her fascinating, but when she finds a quieter, more peaceful spot she misses her home and friends

Folktales

J 398.2 Lee

Beauty and the Beast

Through her great capacity to love, a kind and beautiful maid releases a handsome prince from the spell which has made him an ugly beast.

J 398.2 Souhami

Foxy!

Foxy has a very large sack with just one bee in it. But on his travels he meets a woman with a nice fat rooster. . . "Whatever you do, don't look in the sack!" says Foxy. But the woman does, of course, and when the bee escapes Foxy takes the rooster in exchange! He repeats the trick to acquire a lovely fat pig, and finally. . . a little boy! But the last woman Foxy meets is as clever as he is. She sets the little boy free and substitutes a large fierce dog in the sack - who chases bad Foxy away, never to be seen again.

READ-ALONG J 398.2 Grimm

Little Red Riding Hood

A little girl meets a wolf in the forest on her way to visit her grandmother.

Easy Readers

EASY READER Bleiman

Hello, Mommy: ZooBorns!

Nothing is cuter than baby animals and this easy reader offers up great photos of zoo favorites spending time with their mothers.

EASY READER CapucilliKaty Duck and the Tip-Top Shoes

When the new student in Katy Duck's ballet class makes a tapping sound, the music stops and everyone looks at her feet.

EASY READER Cronin

Diary of a Worm: Teacher's Pet

Worm makes a surprising discovery -- teachers have birthdays! That means Worm and his friends have to find the perfect present for their teacher, Mrs. Mulch.

EASY READER Dotlich

Digger the Dinosaur and the Cake Mistake

Today is the big dino party, and Digger and Dadasaur take a ride into town to get a cake, but before long, they end up getting lost.

Grades K - 1, cont.

EASY READER Drummond *Charlie the Ranch Dog: Where's the Bacon?*

Follows the efforts of the ranch basset hound to teach rules to a new puppy who sleeps in Charlie's bed, drinks his water, and eats his bacon.

EASY READER Lewin *Look!*

An elephant eats, giraffes drink, a warthog digs, and a boy plays, reads, and dreams.

EASY READER Pete *Pete the Cat: Pete at the Beach*

Pete spends the day at the ocean, he wants to take a swim to cool off but the water is scary! Do you think he can be brave enough to take a swim?

EASY READER Schaefer *Monkey and Elephant Go Gadding*

Monkey and Elephant are out and about in their third adventure. You never know what fun surprises you'll find when you go gadding!

Graphic Novels

J GRAPHIC Hayes *Patrick Eats His Peas*

Patrick Bear is the perfect playmate. Equal parts adorable and bratty, this endearing hero transforms daily routines into fun adventures.

Non-Fiction

J 551.46 Hughes *First Big Book of the Ocean*

Introduces several of the ocean's species, provides profiles of creatures, from dolphins and sharks to sea otters and penguins, while sharing facts about their characteristics, diets, and habitats.

J 567.9 Plumridge *If Dinosaurs Lived in My Town*

Learn all about your favorite dinosaurs while seeing them juxtaposed over real-life settings. This book helps kids understand how big (or small) dinos really were.

J 567.9 Sloan *Tracking Tyrannosaurus*

Meet 19 kinds of tyrannosaurs--including seven new species discovered in the last two years--that came before T. rex.

J 590 Lewin *What Am I? Where Am I?*

This easy reader introduces five animals and their habitats. A lion, reindeer, camel, sea lion, and tiger are presented through pee-kaboo-like circles under the heading, "What am I?" A page turn reveals the full creature: "I am a lion. Where am I?" Turn the page again and two lionesses are shown sitting in a grassland.

J 591.392 Shields *Saving Animal Babies*

These heartwarming stories of animal babies, rescued and nursed back to health by humans, will pull at the heart strings and make kids realize there's a survivor inside all of us. This reader is illustrated with adorable photographs that document these animals' recoveries.

Grades K - 1, cont.

J 591.77 Kurtz *A Day in the Deep*

Travel deep into the ocean way below the surface and you'll encounter some creatures you never knew existed! This book takes you on a journey through the dark depths of the sea towards the ocean floor.

J 598.147 Stewart *Feathers: Not Just for Flying*

Young naturalists meet sixteen birds in this elegant introduction to the many uses of feathers.

J 598.33 Markle *The Long, Long Journey: The Godwit's Amazing Migration*

A godwit hatches, evades predators, and learns to hunt and fly. Then, she sets off on her first migration - 7,200 nonstop miles, from Alaska to New Zealand! Facts about godwits.

J 599.2 Rose *Jimmy the Joey*

Follows the story of an endangered baby koala who is rescued and cared for at Koala Hospital and raised by loving human caregivers among other injured koalas.

J 599.674 O'Connell *A Baby Elephant in the Wild*

With in-the-field photographs, this photo essay brings young children to the African scrub desert to witness how a baby elephant survives in the wild.

J 599.885 Antle *Tiger Cubs and the Chimp*

Traces the true story of how a human animal worker and her helper, a chimpanzee named Anjana, rescued and cared for two white tiger cubs on the T.I.G.E.R.S. animal preserve and shared numerous hours playing, cuddling, and swimming with them.

J 599.947 Levine *Bone by Bone: Comparing Animal Skeletons*

Learn how to compare different animals' skeletons.

J 641.8 Fillion *Pizza in Pienza*

A child who lives in a small town in Italy describes a favorite food and learns about its history.

J 796.357 Borden *Baseball Is...*

"Baseball Is..." captures the spirit of this cherished pastime, honoring its legendary past, and eagerly anticipating the future of the sport that is stitched into our history.

J 811.54 Lewis *Poem-Mobiles: Crazy Car Poems*

Presents 13 poems about wacky, imaginative cars, including the "Sloppy-Floppy-Nonstop-Jalopy," the "Bathtub Limousine," and the "High Heel Car."

Biographies

☆J BIO EINSTEIN Berne *On A Beam of Light: A Story of Albert Einstein*

Learn about the life of Albert Einstein, from his earliest days through the triumphs of his career.

J BIO MANDELA Nelson *Nelson Mandela*

A biography of the former South African president best known for his political activism and fight

to end apartheid.

Grades K - 1, cont.

J BIO MATISSE Winter *Henri's Scissors*

When Henri Matisse was a boy, he drew pictures everywhere. And when he grew up, he became a famous artist whose paintings were beloved around the world. Then late in life, a serious illness confined Henri to just his bed and a wheelchair. But amazingly, from there he created some of his finest works , the enormous and breathtaking paper cut-outs.

J BIO MOORE Pinborough *Miss Moore Thought Otherwise*

The story of how librarian Ann Carroll Moore created the first children's room at the New York Public Library.

Grades 2-3

Picture Books

Barnett

President Taft is Stuck in the Bath

George Washington crossed the Delaware in the dead of night. Abraham Lincoln saved the Union. And President William Howard Taft, a man of great stature - well, he got stuck in a bathtub. Now how did he get unstuck? This is a legendary story, imagining a parade of clueless cabinet members advising the exasperated president, leading up to a hugely satisfying, hilarious finale.

Becker

Journey

Using a red marker, a young girl draws a door on her bedroom wall and through it enters another world where she experiences many adventures, including being captured by an evil emperor.

Brett

Cinders: A Chicken Cinderella

Cinders, the most picked upon hen in the flock, becomes the most loved by Prince Cockerel when she arrives at his ball looking so beautiful that even her bossy sisters do not recognize her.

Fleming

Papa's Mechanical Fish

In the summer of 1851, with encouragement and ideas provided by his family, an inventor builds a working submarine and takes his family for a ride. Includes notes about Lodner Phillips, the real inventor on whom the story is based.

☆**Holub**

Little Red Writing

Once upon a time, in pencil school, a brave little red pencil sets out to write an exciting story with nouns and adverbs and everything--but first she has to face the ravenous pencil sharpener, the Wolf 3000.

☆**Huget**

The Beginners Guide to Running Away from Home

A child provides unique advice on how to run away from home--and come back.

Isaacs

Meanwhile, Back at the Ranch

In 1870, Tulip Jones, a wealthy, self-reliant widow from England, acquires the By-Golly Gully Ranch in Texas and soon finds herself saddled with 1,000 suitors.

Moore

Captain Cat

Loving cats so much that he has more feline than human companions on his ship, Captain Cat arrives on an island overrun by rats that his feline charges rapidly trounce, a triumph that results in an offer that requires a difficult decision.

Olshan

The Mighty Lalouche

In Paris, France, more than a hundred years ago, a small man named Lalouche is let go from his job as a mail carrier and discovers that he has great skill as a fighter.

Grades 2 - 3, cont.

Robinson

Under the Same Sun

It is Grandmother Bibi's 90th birthday and when she travels to Tanzania from America to visit her son and grandchildren they surprise her with a birthday safari.

Snicket

The Dark

Laszlo is afraid of the dark which lives in the same big, creaky house as him, until one night the dark pays him a visit.

Stewig

Nobody Asked the Pea

Expands upon the classic tale of the princess and the pea as seen through the eyes of the prince, the princess, the king and queen, various servants, a mouse, and even the rather vain pea, itself.

Wiesner

Mr. Wuffles

Mr. Wuffles ignores all his cat toys but one, which turns out to be a spaceship piloted by small green aliens. When Mr. Wuffles plays rough with the little ship, the aliens must venture into the cat's territory to make emergency repairs.

Willems

That Is Not a Good Idea!

A surprising lesson about the importance of listening to one's inner gosling ensues when a very hungry fox issues a dinner invitation to a very plump goose.

Woodson

This Is the Rope: A Story from the Great Migration

A rope passed down through the generations frames an African American family's story as they journey north during the time of the Great Migration.

Illustrated Fiction

J FIC ILLUS Moundlic

The Bathing Costume or My Worst Vacation of My Life

On his first vacation without his parents, 8 year-old Myron faces a scary grandfather, teasing older cousins, his first dive off the ten-foot board, and his grandmother's encouragement to write his mother daily, telling her of his adventures.

J FIC ILLUS O'Neil

The Kite that Bridged Two Nations

Based on actual events, tells the story of Homan Walsh, who dreamed of flying his kite across the wide Niagara.

J FIC ILLUS Say

The Favorite Daughter

Yuriko, teased at school for her unusual name and Japanese ancestry, yearns to be more ordinary until her father reminds her of how special she is.

J FIC ILLUS Tuck

As Fast As Words Could Fly

A 13 year-old African American boy in 1960s Greenville, North Carolina, uses his typing skills to make a statement as part of the Civil Rights movement. Based on true events.

Grades 2 - 3, cont.

J FIC ILLUS Yamasaki

Fish for Jimmy

When brothers Taro and Jimmy and their mother are forced to move from their home in California to a Japanese internment camp in the wake of the 1941 Pearl Harbor bombing, Taro daringly escapes the camp to find fresh fish for his grieving brother.

Easy Readers

EASY READER Bunting

Frog and Friends: Outdoors Surprises

Three stories featuring Frog and his friends where Frog joins a singing group, helps rescue a baby bird, and is scared by a nighttime story.

EASY READER George

Spark

Spark is a little dragon with a big problem. He can't control his fiery breath. Even practicing doesn't help. Will Spark ever be able to tame his flame?

EASY READER Lloyd

Murilla Gorilla, Jungle Detective (Murilla Gorilla, #1)

Murilla Gorilla is a lovable jungle detective who solves mysteries for her friends. In this case, Ms. Chimpanzee's muffins are stolen and Murilla must crack the case.

EASY READER Lloyd

Murilla Gorilla and the Lost Parasol (Murilla Gorilla, #2)

Murilla Gorilla is back! In this book she needs to help find a lost parasol. Do you think she can?!

EASY READER Michalack

Joe and Sparky Go to School

The mismatched pals accidentally latch onto a big yellow bus and leave the cageless zoo for their first trip to school.

Fiction

J FIC Adderson

Jasper John Dooley: Left Behind

Feeling left behind when his beloved Nan leaves for a week-long cruise, Jasper John Dooley realizes that he will be less lonely if he has his own adventures.

☆J FIC Adler

Danny's Doodles: The Jelly Bean Experiment

Danny is not sure what to make of Calvin Waffle, a quirky and smart new fourth grader, but when Danny convinces Calvin to use his brain power to help the baseball team, they both have a chance to become heroes.

J FIC Amato

Good Crooks: Missing Monkey! (Book #1)

Tired of being pressured to help commit crimes and yearning for a more normal life, twins Jillian and Billy band together to do good deeds while their parents kidnap a monkey from the zoo, hoping to teach it to steal.

J FIC Calmenson

Ready, Set, Dogs!: No Dogs Allowed!

Best friends & dog lovers Kate and Lucie live in apartments where dogs are not allowed, but a pair of unusual necklaces they find in a thrift store allow them to become dogs whenever they wish.

Grades 2 - 3, cont.

J FIC Cheng

The Year of the Baby

Anna is concerned that her baby sister Kaylee, adopted from China three months ago, is not thriving so she and her best friends, Laura and Camille, create a science project that may save the day.

J FIC Cronin

The Chicken Squad: The First Misadventure

Dirt, Sweetie, Poppy, and Sugar might be chicks, but they sure aren't chicken. They're the Chicken Squad, and it's up to them to figure out what Tail, the not-so-brave squirrel, is so afraid of. When he describes it as BIG and Scary, that doesn't give much insight as to what is lurking beyond the coop. Can our fecklees, fluffy heroes defeat something that could very well be -- gulp -- from out of this world?

J FIC Danziger

Amber Brown is on the Move

Now that Amber's mom and Max are married, the family is moving to a new house, and Amber is worried about more than just packing. How can she leave the only home she's ever known?

☆J FIC Davies

Escape from Silver Street Farm

Gemma, Meera, and Karl are busier than ever preparing for the grand opening at Silver Street Farm. But just when the farm is about to open to the public, the turkeys escape, and the sheep are missing as well.

J FIC Davies

The Lion Who Stole My Arm

When his ambition to become a great hunter like his father is crushed by a lion attack that causes him to lose an arm, young Pedru is overcome by a desire to kill the lion that mauled him but questions his resolve when an opportunity arises.

J FIC Donovan

The Waffler

Fourth grader Monty can't ever make up his mind, but when a school project tests his abilities, Monty has to decide - should he follow what his teachers say, or do what he knows is right?

☆JJ FIC Henkes

The Year of Billy Miller

Billy Miller starts 2nd grade with a bump on his head and a lot of worries, but by the end of the year he has developed good relationships with his teacher, his little sister, and his parents and learned many important lessons.

J FIC Kelly

Melonhead and the We-Fix-It Company

In the Capitol Hill neighborhood of Washington, D.C., 11 year-old Adam "Melonhead" Melon and his best friend Sam try to stay out of trouble for a whole month to earn a fabulous reward.

J FIC Litwit

Lost in Bermooda

Bermooda is a tropical island that is full of walking, talking cows. It's the kind of perfection that makes it seem like nothing in this mootopian paradise could ever change. But when a hu'man washes ashore, everything changes!

Grades 2 - 3, cont.

J FIC Lowry

Gooney Bird and All Her Charms

Gooney Bird's Great Uncle Walter lends her 2nd grade class a skeleton while they study human anatomy, and at the end of the month the students use Gooney Bird's charm bracelet to present all they have learned.

☆J FIC MacLachlan

The Truth of Me

Robbie and his dog, Ellie, spend the summer at his grandmother Maddy's house, where Robbie learns many things about his emotionally distant parents and himself.

J FIC McDonald

The Big Bad Blackout (Judy Moody & Stink)

As Hurricane Elmer hits, Judy, Stink, and the entire Moody clan hunker down and ride out the storm, but when the power goes out, Grandma Lou proposes some activities to pass the time in the dark

J FIC McDonald

Stink and the Shark Sleepover (Stink, #9)

When Stink's parents win an aquarium sleepover, he and his two friends enjoy a scavenger hunt before trying to fall asleep while worrying about the frankensquid on the loose.

J FIC McDonald

Jessica Finch in Pig Trouble (Judy Moody & Friends)

With her birthday coming up, Jessica hopes that, just maybe, her present will be a real-live potbellied pig. Jessica can hardly wait for her party with Judy Moody and all their friends. But Judy Moody is acting like a pig-head, and Jessica UN-invites her from the party. To make matters worse, Jessica has snooped around the house and has found zero sign of a pig present. Could her birthday be any more of a disaster?

☆J FIC McKay

Lulu and the Duck in the Park

Lulu, who loves animals, brings an abandoned duck egg to school, even though her teacher has banned Lulu from bringing animals to school ever again.

J FIC Muten

Miss Emily

When an invitation to join Miss Emily in the garden appears, Mattie, Ned, Sally, and Mac know they're in for some fun because Miss Emily--Emily Dickinson to the rest of us--always has a surprise in store for her young friends.

J FIC Orr

Discovered! A Beagle Called Bella (Rainbow Street Shelter, #6)

Mona at the Rainbow Street Shelter finds the perfect home--and job--for an energetic beagle puppy who loves to sniff.

J FIC Pinkwater

Mrs. Noodlekugel and Four Blind Mice

When Mrs. Noodlekugel's 4 mice make a terrible mess with cookie crumbs at tea, she decides to take them on the bus to visit the eye doctor -- and invites Nick and Maxine to come along!

J FIC Tashjian

Einstein: The Class Hamster

Einstein, a hamster, is desperate to help the students in his classroom win an audition for a televised trivia game show but, unfortunately, only one student, Ned, can hear him.

Grades 2 - 3, cont.

J FIC Tatulli

Desmond Pucket: Makes Monster Magic

Aspiring special effects wizard Desmond Pucket carries his pranks too far, putting his field trip to Mountain Full of Monsters at Crab Shell Pier in jeopardy.

J FIC Viorst

Lulu Walks the Dogs

Lulu needs help from a boy named Fleischman if she is to earn money walking her neighbors' dogs, and she finds out that if she wants her business venture to succeed, she has to be nice.

J FIC Winkler

Here's Hank: Bookmarks Are People Too!

Hoping to land the lead in the class play, Hank freezes during his audition and is only able to buzz like a fly, inspiring his teacher to create a special role for him as a silent bookmark that saves the show when a rival suffers an attack of stage fright.

Graphic Novel

J GRAPHIC Chad

Leo Geo and the Cosmic Crisis

Armed with his knowledge of science, Leo Geo becomes an astronaut and heads into space, where he encounters pirates and tries to stop a comet that is headed toward his brother's science laboratory on Earth.

J GRAPHIC Liniers

The Big Wet Balloon

Matilda promises her little sister Clemmie an amazing weekend spent playing outside. But the weather's rainy and Clemmie can't bring her new balloon along. Matilda teaches Clemmie all the delights of a wet Saturday

J GRAPHIC Weitzman

Superhero Joe and the Creature Next Door

Joe conquers his fear of the strange creature moving into the house next door, as well as the treehouse in the creature's backyard.

Non-Fiction

J 363.72 Marsico

Stinky Sanitation Inventions

Learn about the invention of portable toilets, toilet paper, landfills and more!

J 395.0973 Floca

Locomotive

Learn what it was like to travel on the transcontinental railroad in the 1860s.

J 502 Canavan

Why Do Ice Cubes Float?

Learn the answers to some of science's everyday "little questions."

J 513 Adler

Millions, Billions and Trillions: Understanding Big Numbers

This book explains quantities in terms children can understand. For example, one million dollars could buy two full pizzas a day for more than sixty-eight years.

Grades 2 - 3, cont.

J 519.2 Goldstone

That's a Possibility!

Bruce Goldstone introduces children to the ideas of something being possible, probable, or impossible. Each spread features an easy-to-understand, fun scenario such as dice rolling and bowling, with questions about probable outcomes and simple explanations.

J 523.51 Hartland

How the Meteorite Got to the Museum

This book details the steps that brought a meteor from outer space all the way to be exhibited at the American Museum of Natural History.

J 551.46 Simon

Seymour Simon's Extreme Oceans

Imagine yourself exploring the most extreme parts of our amazing oceans-riding the tallest waves, diving to the darkest depths, and encountering the largest and most dangerous sea creatures on Earth.

J 577.63 Ridley

The Secret Pool

Often mistaken for mere puddles in the woods, vernal pools are the source of life for many interesting creatures. If you look carefully, you can find them—and be amazed!

J 590 Tolman

Jumping Penguins

Funny, bizarre, unbelievable, and weird facts about twenty five different animals.

J 591.5 Feldman

Strangest Animals

Meet some creatures that have unique and unusual talents. From the glass frog with a see-through body to a fish that happily hides inside a deadly plant, every living thing shown proves that truth is stranger than fiction!

J 595.78 Burns

Handle with Care: An Unusual Butterfly Story

On a farm in Costa Rica, workers care for these delicate, winged creatures as they change from eggs to caterpillars to pupae. Like any other crop, the butterflies will eventually leave the farm.

J 597.96 Munroe

Slithery Snakes

The snakes in this book are slithery, and maybe a little scary. But they're also beautiful! Slithery Snakes offers clues about these creepy creatures and gives you an up-close look at their amazing skin patterns.

J 600 Barnham

Could a Robot Make My Dinner?

Could a robot make my dinner? Why do we need rockets to go into space? Why don't cranes fall over? This book takes a fun look at technology by asking and answering a series of quirky yet thought-provoking questions such as these!

J 615.88 Rosen

Odd Medical Cures

Would you believe bee's venom could help you feel better? How about a candle in your ear, or a string running through your nostrils? People have used all sorts of kooky remedies to fight pain and illness. Some work. Others, not so much.

Grades 2 - 3, cont.

J 730.9 Sutcliffe

Stone Giant: Michelangelo's David and How He Came To Be

There was a giant in the city, and it was a troublemaker. The enormous block of marble had irked the people of Florence for almost forty years. No one knew what to do with it until a young artist named Michelangelo came along.

J 796.04 Gitlin

Brutal Games!: History's Most Dangerous Sports

Learn about the history of some of the most dangerous sports ever, including jousting, BASE jumping, and cave diving and more.

J 920.73 Roberts

Founding Mothers: Remembering the Ladies

We always hear about the Founding Fathers, but what about the women who helped form America!? Learn about women from the period of the Revolution and early United States.

Biographies

J BIO DJ KOOL HERC

When the Beat Was Born: DJ Kool Herc and the Creation of Hip Hop

From his childhood in Jamaica to his youth in the Bronx, Laban Carrick Hill's book tells how Kool Herc came to be a DJ, how kids in gangs stopped fighting in order to breakdance, and how the music he invented went on to define a culture and transform the world.

J BIO DYLAN Golio

When Bob Met Woody: The Story of Young Bob Dylan

This biography follows Bob as he renames himself after his favorite poet, Dylan Thomas, and leaves his mining town to pursue his love of music in New York City. There, he meets his folk music hero and future mentor, Woody Guthrie, changing his life forever.

J BIO CREESY Fern

Dare the Wind: The Record Breaking Voyage of Eleanor Prentiss and the Flying Cloud

Ellen Prentiss's papa said she was born with saltwater in her veins, so he gave her sailing lessons and taught her how to navigate. In a time when few women even accompanied their husbands onboard, Ellen Prentiss navigated their ship to set the world record for speed along that route.

J BIO ERDÖS

Boy Who Loved Math: The Improbable Life of Paul Erdős

Erdős was fascinated by numbers from an early age, and by the time he was 20, he was known as The Magician from Budapest. Unable to do common tasks such as cooking, laundry, or driving, he spent his adult life flying around the world, staying with other mathematicians, and working collaboratively on challenging math problems.

J BIO FROST Bober

Papa Is a Poet: A Story About Robert Frost

When Robert Frost was a child, his family thought he would grow up to be a baseball player. Instead, he became a poet. His life on a farm in New Hampshire inspired him to write 'poetry that talked.'

Grades 2 - 3, cont.

J BIO ROOSEVELT Kerley *What To Do About Alice?*

Theodore Roosevelt had a small problem. Her name was Alice. Alice Lee Roosevelt was hungry to go places, meet people, do things! Whether she was entertaining important White House visitors with her pet snake or traveling the globe, Alice bucked convention and turned every new experience into an adventure!

J BIO ROOSEVELT Rappaport *To Dare Mighty Things*

President Theodore Roosevelt is known as "the man with a plan," the "rough rider." His figure stands tall in American history; his legacy stretching him to larger-than-life proportions. But before his rise to fame, he was just "Teedie," a boy with ambitious dreams to change the world, and the conviction to see his stupendous imaginings brought to fruition.

J BIO WALKER Harness *Mary Walker Wears the Pants*

Tells the story of Mary Walker, a remarkable woman who challenged traditional roles and lived life on her own terms.

Grades 4-5

Fiction

J FIC Berk

Say It Ain't So

Lenny gets jealous when Mike makes the school baseball team, but together they and Other Mike stumble upon a stealing signals scandal that could go further up than anyone knows.

JJ FIC Colfer

The Wishing Spell (Land of Stories, #1)

Through the mysterious powers of a cherished book of stories, twins Alex and Conner leave their world behind and find themselves in a foreign land full of wonder and magic where they come face-to-face with the fairy tale characters they grew up reading about.

☆JJ FIC Grabenstein

Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library

12 year-old Kyle gets to stay overnight in the new town library, designed by his hero (the famous game maker Luigi Lemoncello), with other students but finds that come morning he must work with friends to solve puzzles in order to escape.

J FIC Greenwald

Charlie Joe Jackson's Guide to Summer Vacation

Charlie Joe Jackson is back and he's at academic summer camp trying to convert all the other kids to non-academics.

J FIC Herrera

Hope is a Ferris Wheel

After moving from Oregon to a trailer park in California, ten-year-old Star participates in a poetry club, where she learns some important lessons about herself and her own hopes and dreams for the future.

J FIC Hill

Bo at Ballard Creek

It's the 1920s, and Bo was headed for an Alaska orphanage when she won the hearts of two tough gold miners who set out to raise her, enthusiastically helped by all the kind people of the nearby Eskimo village.

☆J FIC Jennings

My Homework Ate My Homework

When Zaritza is assigned to care for her class ferret Bandito over winter break, he escapes and eats her other assignments, leaving her with an unbelievable excuse!

J FIC Jensen

Almost Super

Two brothers in a family of superheroes are forced to reexamine everything they knew about being super when the powers they receive are total duds and their enemy is revealed to be just like they are.

J FIC Jinks

How to Catch a Bogle

In 1870s London, a young orphan girl becomes the apprentice to a man who traps monsters for a living.

Grades 4 - 5, cont.

J FIC Kadohata

The Thing About Luck

Just when 12 year-old Summer thinks nothing else can possibly go wrong in a year of bad luck, an

emergency takes her parents to Japan, leaving Summer to care for her little brother while helping her grandmother cook and do laundry for harvest workers.

J FIC Krishnaswami

The Problem with Being Slightly Heroic

Complications ensue when Bollywood star Dolly Singh premieres her new movie at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington D.C., and super fan Dinni and her best friend Maddie present a dance at the grand opening.

☆JJ FIC Krosoczka

Platypus Police Squad: The Frog Who Croaked

Platypus Police Squad members Rick Zengo, a hotshot rookie, and Corey O'Malley, a hard-nosed old-timer, struggle with their differences while tackling their first case involving a missing schoolteacher and a duffle bag filled with illegal fish.

☆J FIC Lee

Elvis and the Underdogs

All his life Benji, now 10, has been sickly and he has long been targeted by the school bully, but after a seizure Benji gets a therapy dog that is not only big enough to protect him, it can also talk.

JJ FIC Lloyd

A Snicker of Magic

The Pickles are new to Midnight Gulch, Tennessee, a town which legend says was once magic--but Felicity is convinced the magic is still there, and with the help of her new friend Jonah the Beedle she hopes to bring the magic back.

J FIC Marino

Hiding Out at Pancake Palace

When musical prodigy, Elvis Ruby, completely freezes up on television, he is forced to hide out in the Pinelands of New Jersey and try to find his way back to the music once again with the help of a new friend

J FIC Morpurgo

A Medal for Leroy

When Michael's aunt passes away, she leaves behind a letter that will change everything. It starts with Michael's grandfather Leroy, a black officer in WWI who charged into a battle zone not once but three times to save wounded men. His fellow soldiers insisted he deserved special commendations for his bravery but because of the racial barriers, he would go unacknowledged. Now it's up to Michael to change that.

J FIC Patterson

I Even Funnier: A Middle School Story

While on a mission to win the Planet's Funniest Kid Comic regional competition, New York middle schooler Jamie Grimm copes with rival comics and bullies, a buddy in trouble, and a sudden family emergency, all with a sense of humor and a loyal group of friends.

J FIC Paquette

Rules for Ghosting

Joined by a living boy whose family has recently moved into the house she haunts, Dahlia, a 12-year-old ghost, tries to solve the mystery of her own death while fending off an unscrupulous ghosthunters.

Grades 4 - 5, cont.

J FIC Potter

Otis Dooda: Strange But True

Everyday Otis Dooda confronts a series of zany changes when his father's new job prompts the family's move to a New York City apartment, where Otis is cursed by a guy in a potted plant in their

apartment building lobby.

J FIC Searless

The Lost Planet

Waking up on a distant planet, Chase Garrety is horrified to learn that he has no memory of his life and finds himself under the protection of a mysterious benefactor who requires him to complete an important mission before time runs out.

JJ FIC Selfors

The Sasquatch Escape

Spending the summer in his grandfather's rundown town, 10 year old Ben meets an adventurous local girl and together they learn that the town's veterinarian runs a secret hospital for imaginary creatures.

J FIC Senzai

Saving Kabul Corner

Ariana, a tomboy, and her ladylike cousin Laila, recently arrived from Afghanistan, do not get along but they pull together when a rival Afghani grocery store opens, rekindling an old family feud and threatening their family's livelihood.

J FIC Shusterman

Tesla's Attic

With a plot combining science and the supernatural, four kids are caught up in a dangerous plan concocted by the eccentric inventor, Nikola Tesla.

J FIC Skye

Pinocula

Things are going pretty well for Rob Burnside until Pinocula--a cross between Pinocchio and a vampire--emerges from his closet, lying, joking, and doing his best to drive Rob crazy!

J FIC Standiford

Switched at Birthday

Lavender sees herself as the miserable but tough outsider at school, while Scarlet knows she is talented and popular, but insecure on the inside--then, on their mutual 13th birthday, they wake up in each other's bodies and are forced to learn what it means to walk in someone else's shoes.

J FIC Trevayne

Flights and Chimes and Mysterious Times

In 19th century England, a boy is about to discover a mysterious mechanical world he may never escape.

☆J FIC Turnage

Ghosts of Tupelo Landing

When Miss Lana accidentally buys a haunted inn at the Tupelo Landing town auction, Desperado Detectives--aka Mo LoBeau and her best friend Dale--opens up a paranormal division to solve the ghost's identity before the town's big 250th anniversary bash.

J FIC Vande Velde

Frogged

When almost 13 year-old Princess Imogene is turned into a frog, she puts into practice lessons from the book, *The Art of Being a Princess*, as she tries to become her less-than-perfect self again.

Grades 4 - 5, cont.

Illustrated Fiction

J FIC ILLUS Moss

Barbed Wire Baseball

Traces the childhood dream of Japanese-American baseball pioneer Kenichi Zenimura of playing

professionally and his family's struggles in a World War II internment camp where he introduces baseball to raise hope.

Graphic Novels

J GRAPHIC Cammuso

The Misadventures of Salem Hyde: Spelling Trouble

Salem Hyde just isn't like other kids. For one thing, she's stubborn, independent, and impulsive. For another, she's a witch. Salem acts first and thinks later—which means most of her thinking involves coming up with excuses!

J GRAPHIC Harrell

Monster on the Hill

In a fantastical 1860s England, every quiet little township is terrorized by a ferocious monster - much to the townsfolk's delight! Unfortunately, for the people of Stoker-on-Avon, their monster isn't quite impressive. In fact, he's a little down in the dumps. Can the morose Rayburn get a monstrous makeover and become a proper horror?

J GRAPHIC O'Neill

Rocket Robinson and the Pharaoh's Fortune

Cairo, 1933. The Egyptian capital is a buzzing hive of treasure-hunters, thrill-seekers, and adventurers, but to 12-year-old Ronald "Rocket" Robinson, it's just another sticker on his well-worn suitcase. All that changes when Rocket and his pet monkey, Screech, find a strange note written in Egyptian hieroglyphs which launches Rocket into an adventure more incredible than anything he's ever seen at movies.

J GRAPHIC Roman

Re-Entry

Hakata Soy, having recently fallen in love, discovers that a sinister culprit is stalking the halls of Astronaut Academy, impersonating the crush-objects of students and making off with their extra hearts

J GRAPHIC Star

Jedi Academy

This incredible, original story captures all of the humor, awkwardness, fun, and frustrations of middle school--all told through one boy's comics, journal entries, letters, doodles, and newspaper clippings. The setting? A galaxy far, far away...

J GRAPHIC Rodriguez

Finding Gossamyr

In the world of Gossamyr, power is as simple as comprehension. A spell is a theorem and must be written in the air and proven for it to take hold. Fortunately, the children are befriended by allies who strive to send the stranded siblings home before dark forces can use the boy's power for evil.

J GRAPHIC Torres

Bigfoot Boy: The Unkindness of Ravens

Another weekend at Grammy's, another weekend of Rufus using his magic totem to transform himself into Bigfoot Boy! But when you're big, hairy and loud, it's hard to keep your powers a secret, especially when there are trickster ravens that want the magic for themselves. You won't want to miss this second rrrawesome adventure of Bigfoot Boy and his friends!

Grades 4 - 5, cont.

J GRAPHIC 398 Fairy

Fairytale Comics

From favorites like Puss in Boots and Goldilocks to obscure gems like The Boy Who Drew Cats, this volume has something to offer every reader.

J GRAPHIC 978.032 Brown *The Great American Dust Bowl*

Learn about the causes and results of the Dust Bowl and how the lessons learned are still used today.

Non-Fiction

J 520 Driscoll *The Child's Introduction to the Night Sky: The Story of the Stars, Planets and Constellations and How You Can Find Them*

An information-packed introduction to astronomy and stargazing, which includes the achievements of the great scientists, the history of space exploration, the story of our solar system, the myths behind the constellations, and how to navigate the night sky.

J 591.5 Gould *Why Dogs Eat Poop: Gross But True Things You Never Knew About Animals*

Think you know everything about animals? This is a book full of little-known animal habits and behaviors.

J 599.53 Turner *The Dolphins of Shark Bay*

A scientific journey to study the dolphins of coastal Australia considers the many potential sources of dolphin intelligence and what dolphin behavior can inform the scientific community about human intelligence, captive animals and the future of the oceans.

J 613.69 Can *Can You Survive the Jungle?*

Learn how how (or if!) you would survive in the jungle with this choose-your-own adventure book.

J 636.7 Newman *How to Speak Dog: A Guide to Decoding Dog Language*

Love your pooch? Learn how what Fido is thinking with this great guide to learning dog behavior.

J 641.5973 Sampson *Chop Chop: The Kids' Guid to Cooking Real Food with Your Family*

Simple, healthy, delicious dishes for children and parents to make together.

J 973 Huey *Ick! Yuck! Eew! Our Gross American History*

History isn't boring... It's gross! Learn all about our gross American history -- why is smelt so badly, why everyone lost their teeth and just how often everyone took a bath.

Biographies

J BIO BEATLES Manning *The Beatles*

An introduction to The Beatles includes coverage of Lennon's Liverpool childhood, the friendship between McCartney and Harrison, the contributions of manager Brian Epstein and record label boss George Martin, and the group's famous tour to the USA.

Grades 4 - 5, cont.

J BIO EMERSON Kerley *A Home for Mr. Emerson*

Before Ralph Waldo Emerson was a great writer, he was a city boy who longed for the broad, open fields and deep, still woods of the country, and then a young man who treasured books, ideas, and

people. Could he build a life around the things he loved?

J BIO FINGER Nobleman

Bill. The Boy Wonder: The Secret Co-Creator of Batman

Recounts the life of the unrecognized co-creator of the Batman comic strip and details the author's quest to find out more about him.

J BIO JEFFERSON Kalman

Thomas Jefferson: Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Everything

Thomas Jefferson is perhaps best known for writing the Declaration of Independence—but there's so much more to discover. This energetic man was interested in everything. He played violin, spoke seven languages and was a scientist, naturalist, botanist, mathematician and architect.

J BIO OHR Greenberg

The Mad Potter: George E. Ohr, Eccentric Genius

Born in 1856 in Biloxi, Mississippi, George grew up to the sounds of the civil war and political unrest. When he was 22, his boyhood friend introduced him to the pottery wheel. The lost young man suddenly found his calling.

Grade 6

Fiction

☆J FIC Anderson

Sidekicked

Drew is possessed of super senses--his hearing, sight, taste, touch, and smell are the most powerful on

the planet--making him literally the most sensitive kid in school. Drew has always found it pretty easy to separate right from wrong, good from evil. It's what a superhero does. But what happens when that line starts to disappear?

J FIC Bacigalupi

Zombie Baseball Beatdown

While practicing for their next baseball game, thirteen-year-old friends Rabi, Miguel, and Joe discover that the nefarious activities of the Delbe, Iowa, meatpacking plant have caused cows to turn into zombies.

J FIC Black

Doll Bones

Zach, Alice, and Poppy, friends from a Pennsylvania middle school who have long enjoyed acting out imaginary adventures with dolls and action figures, embark on a real-life quest to Ohio to bury a doll made from the ashes of a dead girl.

☆J FIC Blackwood

Jinx

A young boy named Jinx encounters magic and danger as he grows up in the deep, dark forest known as the Urwald and discovers that the world beyond--and within--the Urwald is more complex than he could imagine.

J FIC Chainani

The School for Good and Evil

An epic journey into a dazzling new world, where the only way out of a fairy tale is to live through one.

J FIC Dionn

Moxie and the Art of Breaking In

Instead of spending a carefree summer exploring downtown Boston with best friend Ollie, 13-year-old Moxie must solve a famous art heist in order to protect those she loves from her ailing grandfather's gangster past. Includes facts about the 1990 Gardner Museum art theft.

♪J FIC Federle

Better Nate Than Ever

An 8th 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."

J FIC Fitzgerald

Under the Egg

Her grandfather's dying words lead 13 year-old Theodora Tenpenny to a valuable, hidden painting she fears may be stolen, but it is her search for answers in her Greenwich Village neighborhood that brings a real treasure.

J FIC Freedman

My Basmati Bat Mitzvah

Tara Feinstein is funny, is every 13 year old's best friend and keeps it real by being equally confused and conflicted about bridging her family's two cultures as she is about Ben, the cute boy who lives down the hall who might be her boyfriend but is definitely her best friend - you know, if he would stop acting so weird and all!

Grade 6, cont.

J FIC Gidwitz

The Grimm Conclusion

Sister and brother Jorinda and Joringel fight to keep their promise to stay together throughout a new series of gruesome, twisted, Grimm-inspired stories.

J FIC Harrington

Sure Signs of Crazy

Sarah writes letters to her hero, To Kill a Mockingbird's Atticus Finch, for help understanding her mentally ill mother, her first real crush, and life in her small Texas town, all in the course of one momentous summer.

J FIC Jobin

The Nethergrim

An evil force has been awakened from years of sleep and it's up to 14-year-old Edmund, an aspiring sorcerer, and his friends to stop it.

J FIC Johnson

The Mark of the Dragonfly

Since her father's death in a factory in the Dragonfly territories, thirteen-year-old Piper has eked out a living as a scrapper in Merrow Kingdom, but the arrival of a mysterious girl sends her on a dangerous journey to distant lands.

J FIC Johnson

Ice Dogs

In this survival story set in Alaska, 14 year-old Vicky and her dog sled team find an injured sledder in the wilderness.

J FIC Kade

Bot Wars

In a futuristic world where humans and robots are at war, a boy goes on a search to find his missing military father.

J FIC McCafferty

The (Totally Not) Guaranteed Guide to Popularity, Prettiness & Perfection

The day before 7th grade begins, Jessica Darling gets a list from her sister, whose popularity and beauty made her a junior-high standout, but when she tries to follow it, all goes awry, including losing her best friend.

J FIC McNeal

Far Far Away

When Jeremy Johnson Johnson's strange ability to speak to the ghost of Jacob Grimm draws the interest of his classmate, Ginger Boltinghouse, the two find themselves at the center of a series of disappearances in their hometown.

J FIC Meloy

The Apothecary

Follows a 14 year-old American girl whose life unexpectedly transforms when she moves to London in 1952 and gets swept up in a race to save the world from nuclear war.

J FIC Mills

Zero Tolerance

7th grade honor student Sierra Shepard faces expulsion after accidentally bringing a paring knife to school, violating the school's zero-tolerance policy.

Grade 6, cont.

J FIC Oppel

The Boundless

Aboard "The Boundless," the greatest train ever built, on its maiden voyage across Canada, teenaged Will enlists the aid of a traveling circus to save the train from villains.

J FIC Philbrick

Zane and the Hurricane

A 12 old boy and his dog become trapped in New Orleans during the horrors of Hurricane Katrina.

J FIC Ringwald

The Secret Box

On her 12th birthday, Jax Malone receives an odd, unopenable present from an estranged aunt. When Jax and her cousins Ethan and Tyler go on a quest to open the box, they uncover a mystery with magical consequences.

J FIC Schreiber

Lenny Cyrus, School Virus

Told from three viewpoints, 13 year-old scientific genius Lenny Cyrus shrinks himself and, helped by his best friend Harlan, enters the body of Zooey, the girl he has loved since 3rd grade, hoping to physically change her mind about him on the very day her play opens.

J FIC Shurtliff

Rump: The True Story of Rumpelstiltskin

Relates the tale of Rumpelstiltskin's childhood and youth, explaining why his name is so important, how he is able to spin straw into gold, and why a first-born child is his reward for helping the miller's daughter-turned-queen.

J FIC Stratton

The Grave Robber's Apprentice

Hans, a foundling raised by a grave robber, helps Countess Angela Gabriela, nearly 13, when she is torn away from her dream of being a professional puppeteer by an evil archduke out to destroy her and her parents.

JJ FIC Stroud

Lockwood & Co: The Screaming Staircase

Follows three young operatives of a Psychic Detection Agency as they battle an epidemic of ghosts in London.

J FIC Unsworth

One Safe Place

An act of kindness earns Devin an invitation to the home, but it's soon clear that it's no paradise. As Devin investigates the intimidating administrator and the zombie-like sickness that afflicts some children, he discovers the home's horrific true mission. The only real hope is escape, but the place is as secure as a fortress.

J FIC Timberlake

One Came Home

In 1871 Wisconsin, Georgia sets out to find her sister Agatha, presumed dead when remains are found wearing the dress she was last seen in, and before the end of the year gains fame as a sharpshooter and foiler of counterfeiters.

JYA FIC Carriger

Curtsies & Conspiracies (Finishing Academy, #2)

In alternate England of 1851, Sophronia tries to uncover who is behind a plot to control a prototype that has the potential to alter human and supernatural travel.

Grade 6, cont.

YA FIC Sedgwick

Midwinter Blood

Seven linked stories unfold on a Scandinavian island inhabited--throughout various time periods--by Vikings, vampires, ghosts, and a curiously powerful plant.

JYA FIC Stiefvater

The Scorpio Races

Nineteen-year-old returning champion Sean Kendrick competes against Puck Connolly, the first girl ever to ride in the annual Scorpio Races, both trying to keep hold of their dangerous water horses long enough to make it to the finish line.

Graphic Novels

J GRAPHIC Anderson

The Case of the Team Spirit

Three schoolgirl sleuths. Three schoolboy investigators. Tackleford. One mid-sized city with a history of countless mysteries. Is there enough room at Griswalds Grammar School for two groups of kid detectives?

J GRAPHIC Britt

Jane, The Fox & Me

Hélène is an outcast in her grade. Her only consolation is reading Jane Eyre. Even seeing a lovely fox doesn't make her feel better, but maybe a new friendship will.

J GRAPHIC Keenan

Dogs of War

Three fictional stories, told in graphic novel format, about soldiers in World War I, World War II, and the Vietnam War who were aided by combat dogs. Based on true stories.

J GRAPHIC Ruth

The Lost Boy

When Nate finds a tape recorder and note addressed to him in his new home, he is thrust into a dark mystery about a boy who went missing long ago, and must team with local girl Tabitha to uncover the truth.

J GRAPHIC BIO DARWIN

Darwin: A Graphic Biography

An inspiring expedition into the physical and intellectual adventures of Charles Darwin and the scientific world of the 1800s.

J GRAPHIC 599.8 Ottaviani

Primates: The Fearless Science of Jane Goodall, Dian Fossey, and Bruté Galdikas

This is the true story of three scientists who risked their lives for research that forever changed the way we think of primates--including ourselves.

Non-Fiction

J 031.02 Gifford

Think Again!

False facts attacked, errors exploded, myths busted

Grade 6, cont.

J 546 Dingle

How to Make a Universe with 92 Ingredients

What do cars, stars, skyscrapers, and ice cream all have in common? They're all made from the same 92 ingredients...and so are we. And so is everything in the entire universe!

Explores the periodic table, by showing how they can be combined to create an entire universe.

J 590 Cardwardine ***Book of Animal Records***

Here are the achievers and the unique from the animal world: mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, fishes and invertebrates. These are not only familiar records like highest, fastest, largest, these are the unusual, such as slowest growth (the deep sea clam), most pecks in a day (black woodpecker), noisiest bird (booming Kakapo) and worst climber (western fence lizards fall out of their oak tree homes about 12,000 times a year).

J 614.4 Love ***Pandemic Survival: It's Why You're Alive***

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 and surviving our current and future pandemics will determine our future.

J 750 Kidd ***Go: A Kidd's Guide to Graphic Design***

A stunning introduction to the ways in which a designer communicates his or her ideas to the world.

J 751.4 Bolte ***Paint It: The Art of Acrylics, Oils, Pastels, and Watercolors***

Develop essential techniques that will propel your art from scribbles to masterpieces.

J 782.4216 Sandler ***How The Beatles Changed the World***

Fifty years after the British invasion began, Martin Sandler explores The Beatles' long-lasting impact on the world.

J 920 Schwartz ***Girls Rebel! Amazing Tales of Women who Broke the Mold***

Through narrative stories, explores females who fought for their beliefs, broke society's rules, and forever changed the world.

J 940.53 Sandler ***Imprisoned: The Betrayal of Japanese Americans During World War II***

While Americans fought for freedom and democracy abroad, fear and suspicion towards Japanese Americans swept the country after Japan's sneak attack on Pearl Harbor. This is an in-depth account of their lives before, during their imprisonment, and after their release.

J 940.54 Sheinkin ***The Port Chicago 50***

Presents an account of the 1944 civil rights protest involving hundreds of African-American Navy servicemen who were unjustly charged with mutiny for refusing to work in unsafe conditions after the deadly Port Chicago explosion.

J 973.92 Swanson ***"The President Has Been Shot!": The Assassination of John F. Kennedy***

Recounts the 35th president's assassination and details key events while sharing informative back matter and archival photographs.

Grade 6, cont.

J 973.7 Sheinkin ***Lincoln's Grave Robbers***

An account of the 1875 attempt to steal the 16th president's body describes how a counterfeiting ring plotted to ransom Lincoln's body to secure the release of their imprisoned ringleader and how a fledgling Secret Service and an undercover agent conducted a daring election-night sting operation.

Biographies

J BIO BYRD Seiple

Bryd & Igloo: A Polar Adventure

A narrative account of the daring adventures of the legendary polar explorer and aviator and his loveable dog companion draws on letters, diaries, interviews, newspaper clippings, and expedition records to recount their dramatic and history-making achievements in the North and South Poles