

## MYSTERY

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### WHO STOLE THE WIZARD OF OZ?

A rare and valuable book is missing from the library, and Becky must follow some cleverly hidden clues to prove that she is not the thief.

Byars, Betsy

### DEATH'S DOOR \*

Super-sleuth Herculeah Jones's investigation of the attempted murder of Meat's uncle leads them to a mystery bookstore named Death's Door.

Fitzgerald, John

### THE GREAT BRAIN \*

Tom uses his cleverness to outwit and swindle the other kids in town, and many of the adults, too.

Hale, Bruce

### THE MALTED FALCON \*

Fourth grade private eye Chet Gecko and his partner Natalie Attired are back on another case at Emerson Hicky Elementary School.

Hart, Alison

### RETURN OF THE GYPSY WITCH

Allie's curiosity gets her in over her head when she starts snooping around with her sister's detective agency business.

Howe, James

### IT CAME FROM BENEATH THE BED\*

Spooky and funny "Tales from the House of Bunnacula," written by a dachshund puppy.

Kehret, Peg

### TERROR AT THE ZOO

Ellen and Corey are excited about their overnight camp-out at the zoo until they discover that they are locked inside with an escaped convict.

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Patneau, David

### HAUNTING AT HOME PLATE

Could the messages Nelson and his teammates find written in the dirt at home plate be from the ghost of a boy who died at their field fifty years ago?

## ADVENTURE

Dahl, Roald

### JAMES AND THE GIANT PEACH

When a giant peach grows as large as a house, James crawls inside and meets the human-sized insects with whom he'll share amazing adventures.

Fleischman, Sid

### THE WHIPPING BOY

As it is forbidden to spank the heir to the throne, Jemmy is plucked from the streets to serve as whipping boy to the arrogant, spiteful Prince Brat.

Gardiner, John

### STONE FOX

Willy must win the big dog sled race in order to pay the back taxes on his grandfather's farm, but that means beating the huge Indian mountain man, Stone Fox.

Griffith, Helen

### DINOSAUR HABITAT

Nathan and his pesky little brother Ryan are suddenly transported to a misty world where Ryan's toy dinosaurs are alive.

Kehret, Pet

### EARTHQUAKE TERROR

Jonathan and his sister must fight for survival when a devastating earthquake hits the deserted island where they have been camping.

Lindgren, Astrid

### PIPPY LONGSTOCKING \*

Pippi, the world's strongest girl, lives in a house with a horse and a monkey, but no parents.

## FANTASY

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### ERETH'S BIRTHDAY \*

The fourth book about the adventures of the brave animals in Dimwood Forest, begun in POPPY.

Banks, Lynne R

### THE KEY TO THE INDIAN \*

Omri learns more about the cupboard's powers in this continuation of the exciting story begun in INDIAN IN THE CUPBOARD.

Black, Holly

### THE FIELD GUIDE \*

The Grace kids discover an old guide book to fairies and other fantastic creatures in this first installment of *The Spiderwick Chronicles*.

Brittain, Bill

### WISH GIVER

When a strange little man promises he can grant wishes, three young believers-in-magic each make a wish that comes true in the most unexpected way.

Fleischman, Sid

### MIDNIGHT HORSE

An orphaned boy must rely on supernatural help to deal with his guardian--a powerful judge who wants the boy's inheritance.

Grahame, Kenneth

### THE RELUCTANT DRAGON

How does a kindly, harmless dragon avoid fighting the famous St. George the dragon killer?

LeGuin, Ursula

### CATWINGS \*

Four young cats with wings have the opportunity to leave the dangerous city slums where they were born, but will country life be any safer?

Martin, Ann M.

### DOLL PEOPLE\*

Delicate, porcelain Annabelle Doll, who has been bored for over 100 years, finds adventure and friendship with a new family of pink plastic dolls.

## SCIENCE FICTION

Coville, Bruce

### MY TEACHER FLUNKED THE PLANET \*

In the thrilling conclusion to the ten volume series begun in MY TEACHER IS AN ALIEN, Peter tours the earth with three disguised aliens in order to file a report that will determine Earth's future.

Gardiner, John Reynolds

### TOP SECRET

Allen has discovered human photosynthesis! When the government finds out, his school science project becomes top secret.

Gauthier, Gail

### MY LIFE AMONG THE ALIENS \*

When Will's mother's baking attracts hungry folks from all over the universe, life gets pretty interesting. Strangely enough, only Will and his brother recognize that the newcomers are aliens.

Korman, Gordon

### NOSE PICKERS FROM OUTER SPACE

Is exchange student Stan just a nerdy guy in a tie, or could he be an alien with a secret computer up his nose?

Meacham, Margaret

### QUIET! YOU'RE INVISIBLE

Who would have thought that a time-traveling alien would appear just in time to keep Hoby from being pulverized by a bully?

*Wondering how to find these books?  
Look in the "X Fiction" shelves, or the "X Paperback" shelves,  
under the author's last name. It's that easy! If you don't see it, please ask at the desk.*

## MORE SCIENCE FICTION

Pinkwater, Daniel Manus  
FAT MEN FROM SPACE

Only William knows they're out there, and what they're after: Earth's entire supply of junk food!

Rector, Rebecca Kraft  
TRIA AND THE GREAT STAR RESCUE  
Since her father died Outside, Tria won't leave her pod; she's terrified of germs, and her only friend is a hologram named Star.

## HISTORICAL

Banks, Sara H.  
ABRAHAM'S BATTLE  
An ex-slave leaves his safe life to join the ambulance corps for the Union in the Civil War.

Fleischman, Sid  
BY THE GREAT HORN SPOON  
It is 1849 and Jack stows away on a ship headed for the California gold fields where he plans to recoup his Auntie's fortune.

Giff, Patricia Reilly  
LILY'S CROSSING  
In 1944, Lily's friendship with Albert, a young war refugee from Hungary, causes her to see her world differently.

Kudlinski, Kathleen  
EARTHQUAKE! A STORY OF OLD SAN FRANCISCO  
Phillip is caught in the terrible 1906 earthquake and fire—can he save the horses in his father's livery stable?

Patrick, Denise Lewis  
ADVENTURES OF MIDNIGHT SON  
A runaway slave on a stolen horse travels days and nights with little food or water until he crosses the border into Mexico.

Ryan, Pam Munoz  
RIDING FREEDOM  
In order to escape the orphanage, Charlotte becomes "Charley" and works as a stagecoach driver. Based on a true story.

Whelan, Gloria  
ONCE ON THIS ISLAND  
With Mary's father fighting in the War of 1812, she must tend the farm and deal with the hardships of British occupation.

Wilder, Laura Ingalls  
LITTLE HOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE \*  
The classic, true story of Laura's family's adventurous pioneer life.

Wisler, G. Clifton  
MR. LINCOLN'S DRUMMER  
The true story of Willie Johnston who, for his courage as a drummer in the Civil War, won the Congressional Medal of Honor.

## FAMILY

Delton, Judy  
ANGEL BITES THE BULLET \*  
Angel schemes to find a husband for her mother's friend in this seventh book in the funny series begun in BACKYARD ANGEL.

Fletcher, Ralph  
FIG PUDDING  
Cliff, the eldest of the six children in his exuberant, loving family, experiences both joys and deep sorrows during his eleventh year.

Honeycutt, Natalie  
GRANVILLE JONES: COMMANDO  
Eight-year-old Granville Jones is small for his age but has more brains and wit than boys twice his size.

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## MORE FAMILY

Kinsey-Warnock, Natalie  
CANADA GEESE QUILT  
Ariel's artistic talent helps her cope with the coming of a new baby and her beloved grandmother's serious illness.

MacLachlan, Patricia  
CALEB'S STORY \*  
A stranger at the door turns out to be Caleb's grandfather in this third volume of the series begun in SARAH PLAIN AND TALL.

Park, Barbara  
MICK HARTE WAS HERE  
Phoebe's brother Mick was the kid who was full of life and pranks, and the kid who, if only he had worn his bicycle helmet, would still be alive today.

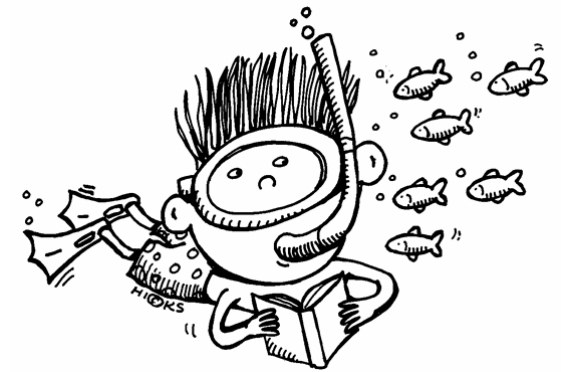
Smith, Robert K.  
THE WAR WITH GRANDPA  
Upset that he has to give up the room he loves to his grandfather, Pete decides to declare war in an attempt to get it back.

Willner-Pardo, Gina  
FIGURING OUT FRANCES  
Trying hard to figure out her family and friends, Abby learns that even if a puzzle doesn't have a solution, it can still be fun to try to put it together.

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