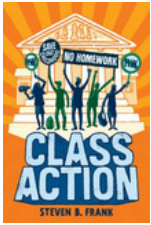


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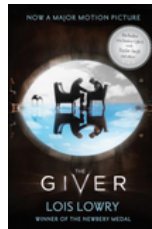


Class Action

Steven Frank

Is homework unconstitutional? Sixth grader Sam Warren is taking the Los Angeles School Board all the way to the Supreme Court to find out!

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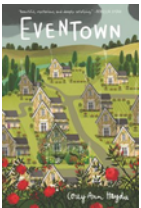


The Giver

Lois Lowry

Twelve-year-old Jonas lives in a world where everyone has a place, and that place is pre-determined. When he's given the title "Receiver of Memories," he begins to understand the dark secrets holding together his fragile community.

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Eventown

Corey Ann Haydu

In a town where all houses look exactly alike and there are only three ice cream flavors, Elodee discovers that there is a price to pay for "perfect." Is it worth it?

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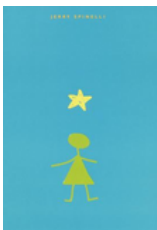


When You Trap A Tiger

Tae Keller

Lily enters a pact with a mythic tiger to save her beloved Halmoni's life in this award winning adventure tale woven with Korean folklore.

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Stargirl

Jerry Spinelli

After being homeschooled, Stargirl begins high school, and at first everyone is enchanted with her. She's so different than everyone else. But soon the other students' fascination turns to spite. Will Stargirl change herself to try to fit in with her peers?

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Brave New Girl

Rachel Vincent

In a world where everyone is the same, being unique is a liability. This take on the classic "A Brave New World" is perfect for young sci-fi fans who like their dystopia with a bit of romance.

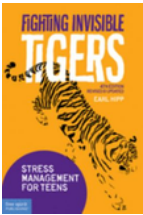
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Fighting Invisible Tigers: Stress Management for Teens

Earl Hipp

Dealing with school, family, friends and social media can be overwhelming. This guide helps teens manage stress.

XU 155.518 HIP



Attention Hijacked: Using Mindfulness to Reclaim Your Brain from Tech

Erica B. Marcus

Technology can make some tasks easier and provides endless entertainment but it can also be all-consuming. This guide helps kids find balance through mindfulness techniques.

XU 153.733 MAR



What Can I Say?: A Kid's Guide to Super-Useful Social Skills to Help You Get Along and Express Yourself

Catherine Newman

Communicating is hard, even for adults. This handy guide gives teens tips on how to get along and still get their points across.

XU 158.2 NEW



Make the Grade: Everything You Need to Study Better, Stress Less, and Succeed in School

Lesley Schwartz Martin

Why not spend a little time this summer setting yourself up for a smooth, productive school year? This book will set you on the right path for success.

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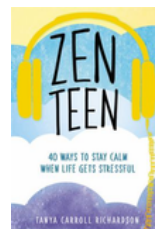


Buzzkill: A Wild Wander Through the Weird and Threatened World of Bugs

Brenna Maloney

This engaging and informative book about the role insects play in our lives might just have the reader speaking up for bugs!

XU 639.9757 MAL



Zen Teen: 40 Ways to Stay Calm When Life Gets Stressful

Tanya Carroll Richardson

Learn to chill better with 40 tips and tricks to make life easier.

XU 155.519 RIC



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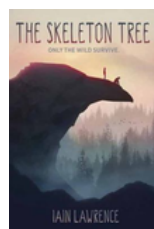


Northwind

Gary Paulsen

Young Leif survives the illness that kills the inhabitants of his fishing village by escaping in a canoe into the Arctic in this survival tale.

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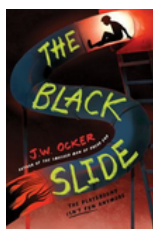


The Skeleton Tree

Iain Lawrence

Chris is eager to embark on a sailing adventure with his uncle Jack. He is surprised to find that another boy, Franklin, is coming too. When the ship is wrecked and his uncle lost, the two boys must work together to survive in the wilderness.

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The Black Slide

J. W. Ocker

When a black slide appears on the playground, fifth grader Griffin can't help but slide down it. He finds himself entering another terrifying dimension in this creepy horror story.

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The Forbidden Library

Django Wexler

When Alice is suddenly sent to live with her mysterious uncle, her curiosity gets the best of her. She discovers a library full of magic books with powers just waiting to be unleashed by an unsuspecting reader.

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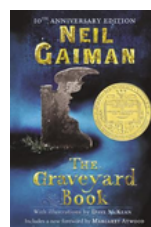


Camp Scare

Delilah S. Dawson

Parker's summer camp bullies are at it again this year. Things seem to change for the better when she befriends a new girl named Jenny. That is, until her bullies start to have mysterious "accidents." Could Jenny be behind them?

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The Graveyard Book

Neil Gaiman

Nobody is a strange name for a boy, but that's not the most unusual thing about him. He also lives in a graveyard and has been raised by ghosts.

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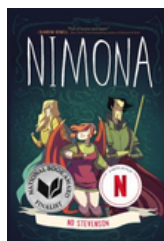


Deadman Tells the Spooky Tales

Franco Aureliani

Ghostly narrator Deadman leads the reader through 13 tales of terror in this graphic novel anthology.

XU 741.5973 DEADMAN



Nimona

ND Stevenson

Nimona the shapeshifter seems like the perfect sidekick for villainous Lord Blackheart, but her impulsivity may be too much of a liability. It turns out even villains have rules.

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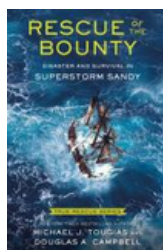


Spies: The Secret Showdown Between America and Russia

Marc Favreau

Humans were the most important weapons of the Cold War. This narrative nonfiction covers the spies, double agents, and moles who worked on both sides.

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Rescue of the Bounty (Young Readers' Edition)

Mike Tougias

The true story of the daring Coast Guard rescue at sea of the HMS Bounty. Perfect for fans of the *I Survived* series.

XU 910.91634 TOU



Born to Fly: The First Women's Air Race Across America

Steve Sheinkin

Twenty women competed in the 1929 Women's Air Derby, flying from Santa Monica, CA to Cleveland, OH. This is their incredible story.

XU 797.52 SHE



Race Cars: Science, Technology, Engineering

Josh Gregory

Learn what it takes to work in the exciting world of auto racing.

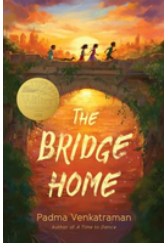
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The Bridge Home

Padma Venkatraman

Eleven-year-old Viji and her younger sister escape from their abusive father. They survive by scrounging recyclables while forming a new family with other children also making their way without parents.

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Hunted

Meagan Spooner

Yeva is secretly happy when her father loses his fortune. Her family is forced to move out of the decadent city and into a small town on the edge of a mysterious forest in this retelling of *Beauty and the Beast*.

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Peak

Roland Smith

Follow fourteen-year-old "Peak" Marcello as he attempts to become the youngest person to ever climb Mount Everest.

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Not if I Save You First

Ally Carter

The daughter of a former Secret Service agent must protect the son of the President who has suddenly appeared on her doorstep in the remote Alaskan wilderness.

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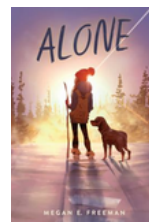


Gabe in the After

Shannon Doleski

During a global pandemic, Gabe was sent to a remote island where he has lived with 17 kids and two adults for the past two years. On a supply-scouting trip to the mainland, he encounters a girl his age and his simple life suddenly changes.

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Alone

Megan E. Freeman

Maddie returns home one day to find her town evacuated and no Internet or phone activity. All she has are her wits and her dog George. Can she fend off looters, animals, and loneliness?

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[This Was Our Pact](#)

Ryan D. Andrews

The entire class swore to follow the lanterns released during the annual Autumn Equinox Festival as far as they went along the river. After almost everyone else turned back, only Ben and Nathaniel find out what happens next.

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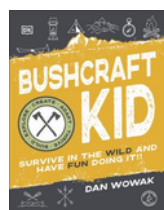


[Enola Holmes: The Graphic Novels](#)

Serena Blasco

Enola Holmes, the much younger sister of the famous sleuth Sherlock, awakens to find her beloved mother missing and her brothers determined to have her placed in boarding school. Can she find her mother and evade capture?

XU 741.5944 ENOLA



[Bushcraft Kid: Survive in the Wild and Have Fun Doing It!](#)

Dan Wowak

Learn survival skills from an expert including building shelters, navigation, plant identification, and more!

XU 613.69 WOW



[Make Your Own Board Game: Designing, Building, and Playing an Original Tabletop Game](#)

Jesse Terrance Daniels

Written by a game design expert, this guide gives would-be designers a roadmap for creating their own tabletop game.

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[Fossil Hunter: How Mary Anning Changed the Science of Prehistoric Life](#)

Cheryl Blackford

Young Mary was a paleontologist before the term was even coined, hunting for fossils in the cliffs by her home in England, finding the first complete plesiosaur fossil, and many more landmark achievements.

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[The National Parks: Preserving America's Wild Places](#)

Falynn Koch

Learn about the history of our national parks, from the establishment of Yellowstone in 1872 to the present.

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