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PROJECT EARTH
CAROL KIM  XFCI KIM C
Jina’s attempts to help protect the environment frustrate her family in this early chapter book.

FIFTEEN SECRETS TO SURVIVAL
NATALIE D RICHARDS  XFCI RICHARDS N
When an overnight school trip goes awry, four students must work together to survive in the woods.

RACE FOR THE RUBY TURTLE
STEPHEN BRAMUCCI  XFCI BRAMUCCI S
A trip to visit his grandma in Oregon gives Jake, who has ADHD, a chance to show his normally overlooked strengths.

MANATEE SUMMER
EVAN GRIFFITH  XFCI GRIFFITH E
Best friends Peter and Tommy find a injured manatee and vow to protect it against all odds.

RESCUE AT LAKE WILD
TERRY LYNN JOHNSON  XFCI JOHNSON T
After finding two orphaned beaver kits, three friends try to help resolve the local environmental predicament that killed the kits’ mother.

RESCUE ON TURTLE BEACH
JEN MARLIN  XFCI MARLIN J
Sophia and Max find a magic sailboat that takes them to Hawaii where they help save sea turtle hatchlings in this first book from the Wind Riders series.
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**GALÁPAGOS**
**TOM JACKSON**  XI 986.65 JAC
Explore the unique volcanoes, animals, plants, and more that make up the Galapágos Islands.

**MY GREAT OUTDOORS BOOK: THE KIDS’ GUIDE TO BEING OUTSIDE**
**JOSIE JEFFERY**  XI 790.1922 JEF
There’s no excuse to stay inside with this handy outdoor activity book offering suggestions for day, night, and even rainy weather.

**TOTAL GARBAGE: A MESSY DIVE INTO TRASH, WASTE, AND OUR WORLD**
**REBECCA DONNELLY**  XI 363.7282 DON
Learn about the history of humans and the garbage they create, as well as how to help cut down on your own waste production.

**LIFE UNDERGROUND: TUNNEL INTO A WORLD OF WILDLIFE**
**JOHN WOODWARD**  XI 577.584 WOO
Uncover an unseen flurry of animal activity under our feet from the frigid Arctic to the Australian outback.

**NATIONAL PARKS**
**ANDREA MILLS**  XI 917.3 MIL
Explore all 63 of our country's national parks and their wonders with this detailed, photographic guide.

**REWILDING: BRINGING WILDLIFE BACK WHERE IT BELONGS**
**DAVID A STEEN**  XI 333.72 STE
Read about success stories of animals and environments brought back from the brink of extinction.

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BALTO AND TOGO
HELEN MOSS  XFCI MOSS H
Two heroic sled dogs are charged with delivering vital vaccines to stop an outbreak in remote Nome, Alaska.

ALL THE SMALL WONDERFUL THINGS
KATE FOSTER  XFCI FOSTER K
Alex, who is autistic, hasn't had the easiest time making a friend. He is convinced that winning the PAWS Dog Show with his cockapoo Kevin might do the trick.

GRIMWOOD
NADIA SHIREEEN  XFCI SHIREEEN N
Foxes Ted and Nancy leave the city for the slower-paced countryside, only to find that their new home in Grimwood is full of off-the-wall characters who make their lives anything but relaxing.

A HORSE NAMED SKY
ROSANNE PARRY  XFCI PARRY R
A wild colt escapes in an attempt to reunite with his herd after being captured and made to deliver mail across the American West for the Pony Express.

DOGTOWN
KATHERINE APPLIGATE  XFCI APPLIGATE K
Dogtown shelters both real and robot dogs. As a real dog, Chance resents this because robot dogs are more often adopted over real dogs. Will the new dog change his mind?

TWO GREEN BIRDS
GERALDO VALÉRIO  XFCI VALÉRIO G
Francisco's grandmother keeps two green parakeets in a cage in her yard. The birds are beautiful but will not eat or sing. Can Francisco help them be happy?

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**CHER AMI COMES THROUGH: HEROIC CARRIER PIGEON OF WORLD WAR I**
NEL YOMTOV  XI 940.41273 YOM
Read about the carrier pigeon who delivered messages across battlefields during World War I in this true graphic adventure.

**DEADLIEST ANIMALS ON THE PLANET**
NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC  XI 591.65
The experts at National Geographic reveal the most ferocious, most hair-raising, most dangerous animals on Earth.

**THE DEEP!: WILD LIFE AT THE OCEAN'S DARKEST DEPTHS**
LINDSEY LEIGH  XI 591.77 LEI
The deeper you go, the weirder the animals get, in this fascinating exploration of the inhabitants of our ocean’s bottom dwellers as told by the animals themselves.

**BEASTS OF THE ANCIENT WORLD: A KIDS’ GUIDE TO MYTHICAL CREATURES, FROM THE SPHINX TO THE MINOTAUR, DRAGONS TO BAKU**
MARCHELLA WARD  XI 398.2 WAR
Many ancient cultures told stories and created art featuring fantastical beasts. Learn about the Japanese Baku, the Greek Minotaur and more in this image-filled guide.

**MEEMS & FEEFS**
LIZA N COOPER  XI 741.5942 MEEMS
Meems and Feefs are two ferrets from the planet Ferretonia who accidentally invent a device that transports them to Earth where they end up adopted by a little girl named Lisa.

**SCURRY**
MAC SMITH  XI 741.5973 SCURRY
A colony of house mice struggle to survive a winter like no other. The homeowners where they live are gone, the sun almost never shines, and fierce cats abound.

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**READY, SET, DOUGH!**
KELLY J BAPTIST  XFICI BAPTIST K
Zoe’s mission to win a laptop by selling the most cookiedough for her school’s fundraiser brings out the worst in her.

**FOOD FIGHT**
LINDA B DAVIS  XFICI DAVIS L
Ben has always been a picky eater but his lunch - plain bagel, pretzels and exactly two kisses - has never been a problem. The start of middle school changes everything.

**COOKIES & MILK**
SHAWN AMOS  XFICI AMOS S
After his parent’s divorce and the departure of his mother, Ellis and his dad open Hollywood’s first chocolate chip cookie store in 1976 Los Angeles in this semi-autobiographical story.

**A SPOONFUL OF TIME**
FLORA AHN  XFICI AHN F
Maya’s Korean grandmother has a secret - her family can travel into memories through food. Will Maya finally learn more about her father, who died when she was three?

**THE TAKEOUT**
TRACY BADUA  XFICI BADUA T
Twelve-year-old Mila spends most afternoons helping out at her family’s Filipino Indian food truck. Business starts to suffer when twin celebrity chefs open a truck across the street with recipes suspiciously similar to her family’s own.

**BUBBLE TROUBLE**
WENDY WAN LONG SHANG  XFICI SHANG W
Musical-loving Chloe is desperate to raise enough money to afford her class trip to Broadway. She hatches a plan to earn the money by making and selling boba tea.
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TASTY: A HISTORY OF YUMMY EXPERIMENTS
VICTORIA GRACE ELLIOTT  XI 641.5 ELL
This nonfiction graphic novel takes the reader through time and space, exploring the evolution of foods such as pickles, cheese, and TV dinners.

GROW A GARDEN!
ALEXIS FREDERICK-FROST  XI 635 FRE
Maker Comics presents six gardening projects in an easy-to-follow comic book form.

THE NO-COOK COOKBOOK
REBECCA WOOLLARD  XI 641.5123 WOO
No cooking is required to make these 50 dishes, vibrantly photographed in this recipe book written especially for budding young chefs.

QUINNELAPE
HF BROWNFIELD  XI 741.5973 QUINNELAPE
Quinnelape wakes one day to find all the cookies have disappeared from Pleasant Towne. Cookie King is nowhere to be found. Can Quinnelape save the day?

MABUHAY!
ZACK STERLING  XI 741.5973 MABUHAY!
JJ and Althea keep busy during summer break by working at the family’s Filipino food truck. Things change when the villains from their mother’s folktales turn out to be real and siblings must work together to save the world.

KIDS CAN COOK ANYTHING!
AMERICA’S TEST KITCHEN  XI 641.5
This cookbook from America’s Test Kitchen features easy, intermediate, and advanced recipes to make over 70 delicious dishes that are kid-tested and kid-approved!