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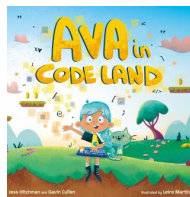


Mae Among the Stars

Ahmed, Rhoda

Little Mae has always dreamed about reaching the stars, but her teachers and classmates all laugh at her. If she's going to achieve her big dream of being an astronaut, it's going to take a lot of hard work and perseverance.

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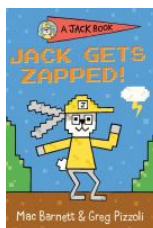


Ava in Code Land

Hitchman, Jess

When the nefarious Max Hacksalot threatens the video game where Ava lives with her cat, it's up to her to save the day! Will her programming skills be good enough to get past the Game Over screen?

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Jack Gets Zapped!

Barnett, Mac

Jack the Bunny loves video games - right up until he gets zapped into one! Now he's been captured by the Big Boss, and the only person who can rescue him doesn't know how to play video games! What's a rabbit to do?

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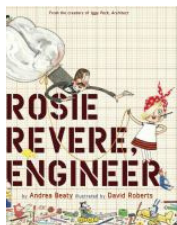


Flight School

Judge, Lita

Little Penguin knows he has the soul of an eagle and is meant to fly, but his wings just don't seem to agree. One way or another, though, he's determined to get off the ground!

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Rosie Revere, Engineer

Beaty, Andrea

Every night, Rosie stays in her room and constructs wonders, turning junk into useful gadgets.

Unfortunately, this budding engineer is too afraid of failure to show anyone her inventions. Can Rosie Revere overcome her fears and keep going even when her gadgets don't work as planned?

XFICP BEATY A



The Dot

Reynolds, Peter H.

"I can't draw!" Vashti complains in her art class. "Just make a mark and see where that takes you," her teacher replies. Vashti is doubtful, but with her teacher's encouragement, she realizes that one small dot can grow into something remarkable - and so can she.

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After the Fall

Santat, Dan

Everyone knows the story of Humpty Dumpty and his great fall. Not everyone knows what happened after the fall: how he was scared to try again, but one step at a time, he faced his fears, tried again, and reached even greater heights!

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Arcade World

Bitt, Nate

Travis and Journey are excited when a new arcade opens, until the bottomless pits and rampaging dinos of their favorite games start showing up in real life. Now their video game skills will really be put to the test!

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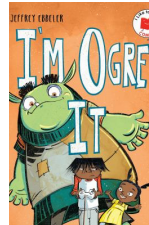


Trying

Yamada, Kobi

For everyone who has ever struggled trying something new, here's a reminder that failure is just one of the steps in learning. As a young artist doubts his ability, his mentor reminds him that the only way to get better at something is to try.

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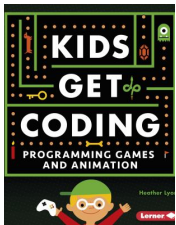


I'm Ogre It

Ebbeler, Jeffrey

Izzie would love to play with her older brother Ollie, but he just wants to play video games. With the help of the ogre who's moved into her backyard, Izzie sets up a series of video game-inspired quests to lure Ollie out.

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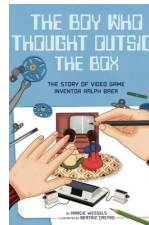


Programming Games and Animation

Lyons, Heather

Ever wondered just what goes into making a video game? Use hands-on examples to learn about essential programming concepts like algorithms, bug fixing, and game design.

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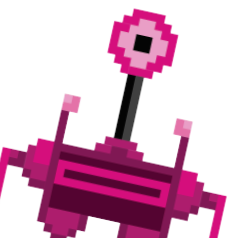


The Boy Who Thought Outside the Box

Wessels, Marcie

Come along on the inspiring journey through the life of Ralph Baer, whose early childhood curiosity and determination led to the creation of an entirely new form of play: video games!.

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