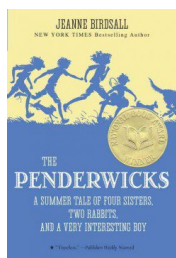


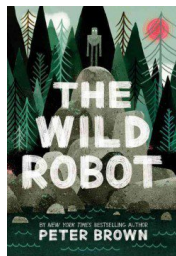
Children in Grades 2-3 reading at a 5th Grade Level



The Penderwicks

by Jeanne Birdsall

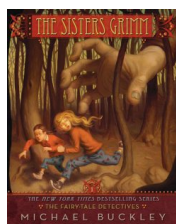
While visiting the estate of Arundel during the summer holiday, the Penderwick girls bask in the beautiful environment where they explore a treasure-filled attic, play in a wondrous garden, try tasty homemade cookies, and make a new friend with the owner's son. **JF BIRDSALL**



The Wild Robot

by Peter Brown

Initializing for the first time on a remote island where she is all alone, Roz the robot learns survival strategies from the island's hostile animals and finally gains acceptance when she cares for an orphaned gosling. **JF BROWN**



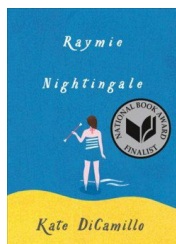
The Sisters Grimm.

Book One: The Fairy-Tale Detectives

by Michael Buckley

Orphans Sabrina and Daphne Grimm are sent to live with an eccentric grandmother whom they have always believed to be

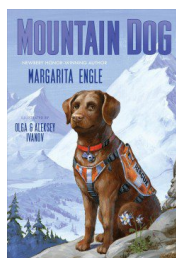
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Raymie Nightingale

by Kate DiCamillo

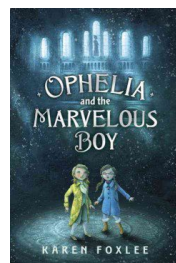
Hoping that if she wins a local beauty pageant her father will come home, Raymie practices twirling a baton and performing good deeds while outmaneuvering a drama queen and unlikely friends and allies during a painful challenge. **JF DICAMILLO**



Mountain Dog

by Margarita Engle

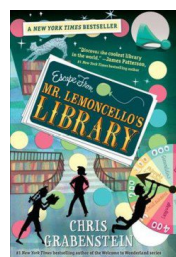
Sent to live with a great uncle he has never met, when his mother goes to jail, young Tony bonds with his Tío and a dog named Gabe while making new friends in his new school and who help him to experience unconditional love for the first time. **JF ENGLE**



Ophelia and The Marvelous Boy

by Karen Foxlee

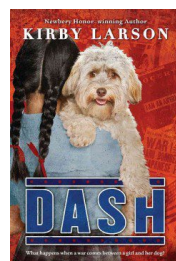
A fairy tale set in a mysterious museum introduces young skeptic, heroine Ophelia Jane Worthington-Whittard, who on her first day in the strange museum where her father works discovers a boy locked away in a long forgotten room as a prisoner of Her Majesty the Snow Queen. **JF FOXLEE**



Escape From Mr. Lemoncello's Library

by Chris Grabenstein

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

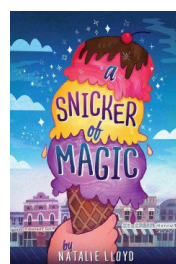


Dash

by Kirby Larson

Forced to move with her family to an internment camp after the attack on Pearl Harbor, Mitsi mourns her separation from her beloved dog and tries to keep up with the outside world with the help of a friendly neighbor back home.

JF LARSON



A Snicker of Magic

by Natalie Lloyd

Arriving in a town where magic has been driven away by a curse, 12-year-old Felicity, who possesses a supernatural ability to see words around the people and places she visits, befriends mysterious do-gooder Jonah, who introduces shimmering new words while helping her break the curse. **JF LLOYD**

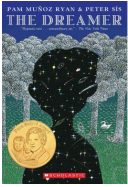


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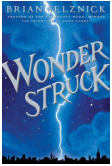


The Dreamer

by Pam Muñoz Ryan

A fictionalized biography of the Nobel Prize-winning Chilean poet Pablo Neruda, who grew up a painfully shy child, ridiculed by his overbearing father, but who became one of the most widely-read poets in the world.

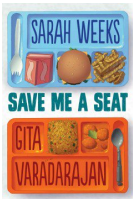
JF RYAN



Wonderstruck: A Novel in Words and Pictures

by Brian Selznick

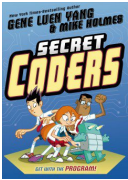
An awe-inspiring journey that tells the story of 12-year-old Ben, who leaves his Minnesota home in 1977 to seek the father he never knew in New York City, and there meets Rose, who is also longing for something that is missing from her life. **JF SELZNICK**



Save Me a Seat

by Sarah Weeks

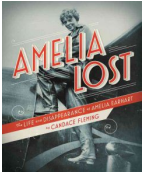
Two boys, one white, one Indian-American, gain strength from each other from afar as they struggle to navigate middle school, family relationships and friendships. **JF WEEKS**



Secret Coders

by Gene Luen Yang

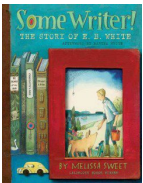
Attending an elite school where enterprising students are challenged to solve a variety of clues and puzzles using computer programming, Hopper and her friend, Eni, resolve to crack the school founder's most elusive mystery together. **GN JF YANG**



Amelia Lost: The Life and Disappearance of Amelia Earhart

by Candace Fleming

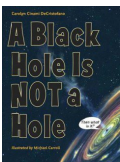
Tells the story of Amelia Earhart's life--as a child, a woman, and a pilot--and describes the search for her missing plane. **JB EARHART**



Some Writer!: The Story of E.B. White

by Melissa Sweet

The two-time Caldecott Honor winner combines White's personal letters, photos and family ephemera with original artwork in an account of his life and career, from his early years through his achievements as a journalist and author of three of the most iconic works of children's literature. **JB WHITE**



A Black Hole Is Not a Hole

by Carolyn Cinami DeCristofano

Introduces black holes, describing their physical features, how they were discovered, what causes them, and where they exist in space. **J 523.8 DEC**