

Graphic Novels: Children

Agent 9! Flood-a-Geddon by James Burks
Feline operative, Agent 9, teams up with robotic parter FiN to rescue their headquarters from a supervillain.

Chunky by Yehudi Mercado
Concerned about a previous medical issue, Hudi's parents push him towards sports. Hudi would rather do anything else, but then he meets Chunky. Can Chunky help Hudi stay true to himself?

A Shot in the Arm! Big Ideas that Changed the World by Don Brown
Explore the history of vaccinations and the struggle to protect people from infectious diseases.

Simon and Chester: Super Detectives!
by Cale Atkinson
Welcome to the world of Simon and Chester, ghost and boy duo extraordinaire. They are about to solve the mystery of a lifetime.

Tales of the Feathered Serpent: Rise of the Halfing King by David Bowles & Charlene Bowles
A prophecy predicts that a young boy—half-human and half-mystical being—will defeat the evil king and lead the kingdom back to justice.

Graphic Novels: Young Adult

Dancing at the Pity Party by Tyler Feder
Tyler Feder shares the story of her mother's experience with late-stage cancer in this frank and funny memoir.

Displacement by Kiku Hughes
A teenager is pulled back in time to witness her grandmother's experiences in Japanese internment camps during WWII.

Nubia: Real One* by L.L. McKinney & Robyn Smith
Nubia has always stood out because of her Amazonian strength, and is often seen as a threat. Nubia risks everything to become the hero society tells her she is not.

The Magic Fish by Trung Le Nguyen
It's hard enough to communicate with your parents, but for Tien, he doesn't even have the right words because his parents are struggling with English. Is there a Vietnamese word for what he's going through? Is there a way to tell them he's gay?

Long Way Down*
by Jason Reynolds & Danica Novgorodoff
As Will sets out to avenge his brother Shawn's fatal shooting, seven ghosts reveal truths Will needs to know.

Young Adult Fiction

The Cost of Knowing* by Brittney Morris
Alex is a black teen who has the power to see into the future. His life is turned upside down when he foresees his younger brother's death.

Curses by Lish McBride
Merit will be forced to live as a beast forever, unless she agrees to marry a man of her mother's choosing. She joins forces with a con artist to find a match.

Furia by Yamile Saied Méndez
Camila Hassan, a rising soccer star in Argentina, dreams of playing professionally in defiance of her father's wishes.

Ground Zero by Alan Gratz
Two teens—one from New York and one from Afghanistan—struggle to survive. They are changed forever by the events of 9/11.

In the Wild Light* by Jeff Zentner
When his best friend gets them both into an elite prep school in Connecticut, Cash must choose between his need to love and protect Delany and his loyalty to his family and their small Appalachian town.

Instructions for Dancing by Nicola Yoon
Yvette gains the ability to see how other people's romantic relationships will end.

The Left-Handed Booksellers of London
by Garth Nix
Searching in an alternate-world London for a father she has never met, Susan is drawn into an extended family of magical, left-handed, fighting booksellers.

The Silver Blonde by Elizabeth Ross
In 1946 Hollywood, 18-year-old Clara Berg dreams of becoming a film editor and going on a date with screenwriter Gil, until she stumbles upon a murder mystery.

Six Crimson Cranes by Elizabeth Lim
After unleashing forbidden magic, Shiori'anma must find a way to save her brothers with the help of a paper bird, a mercurial dragon, and the very boy she fought so hard not to marry.

XOXO by Axie Oh
Jenny never had much time for boys, K-pop, or anything besides her dream of becoming a professional cellist. But when she finds herself falling for a K-pop idol, she has to decide if love is worth the risk.

* For older readers

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Picture Books

Can We Be Friends? by Erica Sirotych
Explore five unexpected animal friendships!

Bumble and Bee: Don't Worry, Bee Happy
by Ross Burach
Bumble and Bee try to engage Froggy in their playful activities.

Mel Fell by Corey R. Tabor
Follow Mel on her journey from fall to triumphant flight.

On Account of the Gum by Adam Rex
One kid's hilarious misadventures with gum.

See the Cat: Three Stories About a Dog
by David LaRochelle & Mike Wohnoutka
What happens when the book gets it wrong? Max is not a cat, he's a dog!

Soaked by Abi Cushman
A moose, badger, and rabbit show their grumpy bear friend that a day of fun does not depend on sunshine.

Someone Builds the Dream
by Lisa Wheeler & Loren Long
An exploration of the many types of work that go into building our world.

Something's Wrong! A Bear, a Hare and Some Underwear
by Jory John, Erin Balzar, & Erin Kraan
Jeff the Bear is sure he has forgotten something, but none of the animals he meets inform him that he is only wearing his underwear.

The Yawns Are Coming by Christopher Eliopoulos
Two best friends get together for a sleepover, but their plans to stay up all night are foiled when they are besieged by yawns.

Wishes by Muon Thi Van & Victo Ngai
A family packs up everything they own and embark on a perilous oceanic voyage.

Poetry

Delicious! Poems Celebrating Street Food Around the World by Julie Larios & Julie Paschkis
The world is a delicious place! Come along on an international journey to try food from around the world.

Hard-Boiled Bugs for Breakfast
by Jack Prelutsky & Ruth Chan
More than 100 new poems in a wide array of poetic forms.

No Voice Too Small: Fourteen Young Americans Making History edited by Lindsay H. Hetcalf, Keila V. Dawson & Jeanette Bradley
Poems about young activists who have stepped up to make changes in their community.

Star Fish by Lisa Fipps
Bullied and shamed her whole life for being fat, 12-year-old Ellie finally gains the confidence to stand up for herself.

Write! Write! Write!
by Amy VanDerwater & Ryan O'Rourke
Explore every stage and aspect of the writing process and how writing allows us to imagine the impossible.

Children's Fiction

The Beatryce Prophecy by Kate DiCamillo
In a time of war, a child appears at the monastery. As a monk nurses her back to health, he uncovers a dangerous secret.

Born Behind Bars by Padma Venkatraman
After spending his whole life in jail with his mother, nine-year-old Kabir is released and has to survive on his own.

Clues to the Universe by Christina Li
Though Ro and Benji were only supposed to be science class partners, the pair become unlikely friends. They try to piece together clues to some of the biggest questions in the universe.

A Discovery of Dragons by Lindsay Galvin
After falling overboard during a huge storm, Simon washes up onto an unexplored island where he makes a discovery that could change the world.

Distress Signal by Mary E. Lambert
Lavender is on a school camping trip, but when a flash flood scatters the group, she finds herself lost with three classmates.

Double the Danger and Zero Zucchini
by Betsy Uhrig
While brainstorming ideas to improve his aunt's book, 12-year-old Alex recruits his friends to act out new scenes that will make the plot more exciting—and dangerous.

Glitch by Laura Martin
Regan and Elliot have been enemies since they began training to become Glitchers—people who travel through time. Will they be able to put aside their past in order to save the future?

Hockey Night in Kenya by Danson Mutinda
Kitoo, a Kenyan orphan, becomes fascinated with the Canadian national men's hockey team. But can you play hockey in Kenya?

Monster and Boy by Hannah Barnaby
When Monster meets the boy, the boy starts to scream—and Monster promptly swallows him. It's the beginning of a beautiful friendship!

The Republic of Birds by Jessica Miller
When Olga's sister is kidnapped in a surprise attack, Olga realizes she has to venture into the Republic of the Birds to bring her back.

Informational

Black Heroes of the Wild West by James Otis Smith
Celebrates the extraordinary lives of three black heroes who took control of their destinies.

The Boy Whose Head was Filled with Stars
by Isabelle Marinov & Deborah Marcero
This is the story of Edwin Hubble, a boy fascinated by the stars who became an astronomer.

Drop: An Adventure through the Water Cycle
by Emily Kate Moon
Meet Drop. She's water! She makes life on earth possible, and has a great time doing it.

The Floating Field
by Scott Riley, Nguyen Quang & Kim Lien
On a tiny island without room for a soccer field, a group of teen boys work together to build a floating field.

History Smashers: Pearl Harbor
by Kate Messner & Dylan Meconis
A perspective-changing analysis of the Pearl Harbor attacks.

Nicky & Vera: A Quiet Hero of the Holocaust and the Children he Rescued by Abi Cushman
At the age of 29, Nicholas Winton saved 700 children trapped in Nazi-occupied Czechoslovakia, including Vera.

The Screaming Hairy Armadillo and 76 Other Animals with Wild Names
by Matthew Murrie, Steve Murrie & Julie Benbassat
A compendium of animals with funny and fascinating names.

So You Want to Be an Owl
by Jane Porter & Maddie Frost
Everything you need to know about being an owl!

Unspeakable: The Tulsa Race Massacre
by Carol Boston Weatherford & Floyd Cooper
A powerful look at one of the worst incidents of racial violence in our nation's history.

Your Place in the Universe by Jason Chin
Explore the Universe and consider it's mind-boggling scale.