

Awesome Orange Birthday

by Mitali Banerjee Ruths
JF Ruths
While planning her aunt's birthday
party with the intention of donating
the money she makes to help
endangered animals, Priya
becomes overwhelmed.



The Secret Battle of Evan Pao

by Wendy Wan Long Shang
JF Shang
Moving to Virginia, Evan Pao is
targeted by a boy who is determined
to make sure that Chinese American
Evan is not included, forcing Evan to
decide how to react.



Bhai for Now

by Maleeha Siddiqui
JF Siddiqui
When Ashar and Shaheer meet, they
quickly discover they're twins and
will stop at nothing to get to know
the parent from whom they've been
separated, learning along the way
that they may not like each other,
but they definitely need each other.



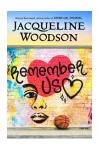
Control Freaks

by J.E. Thomas
JF Thomas
When the principal of Benjamin
Banneker STEAM Academy
announces the start of an epic Team
Competition, Frederick Douglass
Zezzmer is determined to win the
trophy and prove to his dad he's
worthy, but soon he learns there is
no "i" in "team."



Lotus Bloom and the Afro Revolution

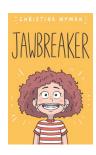
by Sherri Winston
JF Winston
Twelve-year-old Lotus Blossom,
normally a peace-loving free spirit,
must summon the courage to fight
against a racist dress code and stand
up for herself.



Remember Us

by Jacqueline Woodson

JF Woodson
During the summer before seventh
grade, Sage meets Freddy, a new kid
who truly gets her, and together they
reflect on missing the things that get
left behind as time moves on, living
in the moment, and supporting each
other in times of need.



Jawbreaker

by Christina Wyman

JF Wyman
Forced to wear painful orthodontic
headgear called "the jawbreaker,"
Max finds following her dreams of
entering the journalism competition
complicated by a required video
component, which means showing
her face to her classmates.



Finally Seen

by Kelly Yang
JF Yang
Arriving in America to live with her
parents and sister after five years
apart, 10-year-old Lina struggles to
fit in with her family and at her new
school until she learns about the
power of friendship and family.



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Juvenile Fiction



Sincerely Sicily

by Tamika Burgess

JF Burgess

Sixth-grader Sicily Jordan learns to use her voice and to find joy in who she is while confronting prejudice both in the classroom and at home.



The Many Fortunes of Maya

by Nicole D. Collier

JF Collier

Always turning to her Wheel of Fortunes, a cardboard circle covered with wisdom she's collected from fortune cookies, for answers and a dose of luck, 12-year-old Maya must find the courage to write her own fortune to answer her questions.



Will on the Inside

by Andrew Eliopulos

JF Eliopulos

After Will is sidelined from the soccer season—and his friend group—due to complications from his newly diagnosed Crohn's disease, he finds himself figuring out who he really is on the inside.



Audrey Covington Breaks the Rules

by Karina Evans

JF Evans

Disinvited from her friends' annual summer sleepover because of her parents, Audrey instead helps move her grandmother into a retirement community, which leads to the adventure of a lifetime.



Marya Khan and the **Incredible Henna Party**

by Saadia Faruqi

JF Farugi

With her eighth birthday coming up, Marya claims she is having an epic henna party, so now she must convince her family to make it happen and work to pull it off, but everything Marya does seems to end in disaster.



Wrecker

by Carl Hiaasen

JF Hiaasen

When some men in a sailboat that has run hard aground on a sand flat pay him to forget he ever saw them, Wrecker is happy to oblige, but when he keeps seeing these men all over Key West, he discovers they want more than just his silence.



102 Days of Lying About Lauren

by Maura Jortner

JF Jortner

After being abandoned by her mother in a most unusual place, 12-year-old Mouse sticks to her plan for staying hidden—even though getting caught could mean saving her life.



Second Chance Summer

by Sarah Kapit

JF Kapit

Arriving at camp only to discover they are each other's roommates, ex-best friends Maddie and Chloe must decide if it's time to try again, or if their friendship is over for good.



She Holds Up the Stars

by Sandra Laronde

JF Laronde

The last thing 12-year-old Misko wants to do is move away from the city to spend time on the rez with her grandmother. And yet she feels strangely compelled to go. Maybe she can find out why her mother disappeared.



Ruby Lost and Found

by Christina Li

JF Li

Forced to spend the summer at Nai-Nai's senior center, Ruby Chu works to help save a historic Chinatown bakery while revisiting her late Ye-Ye's favorite spots to find a way to deal with her grief.



Select

by Christie Matheson

JF Matheson

Twelve-year-old Alex loves playing soccer, and she's good at it, too. When her skills land her a free ride to play for an elite soccer club, it feels like a huge opportunity. Joining could be the key to a college scholarship and a bright future—one that Alex's family can't promise her.



Tumble

by Celia C. Pérez

JF Perez

While trying to make a life-changing decision, 12-year-old Adela Ramirez searches for her birth father, which leads her to the legendary Bravos, professional wrestlers who teach her what it really means to be part of a family.