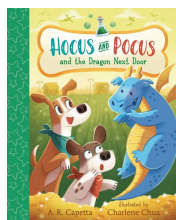




Children's Booklist 2025: Explore Other Worlds

Fantasy & Sci-fi for Grades 2-3



Hocus and Pocus and the Dragon Next Door

by A. R. Capetta

When magical puppies Hocus and Pocus discover the wizard next door has a new pet dragon named Bye-Bye, Hocus is delighted, but Pocus is nervous about making friends and about Bye-Bye's fire breath, in an

affirming adventure.



The War of the Witches

by Zetta Elliott

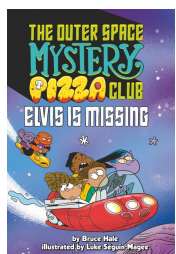
When an ancient monster called the Scourge is released and sets its sights on the human realm, Jax and his friends search for a peaceful way for humans and magical creatures to live in harmony as the witches prepare for war.



Mimi and the Boo-Hoo Blahs

by Shauna J. Grant

Mimi is not having a good day and is not feeling like her usual self. Mimi has a case of the Blahs, where nothing feels quite right. So with the help of Penelope, her magical toy dog and best friend, she sets out to find a way to get rid of this icky feeling.



Elvis is Missing

by Bruce Hale

Three kids and their babysitter follow the family dog, Elvis, through a mysterious portal into deep space, where they encounter aliens, navigate cosmic challenges, and try to find Elvis and return home before bedtime.



A Little Snow Must Fall

by Ada Hopper

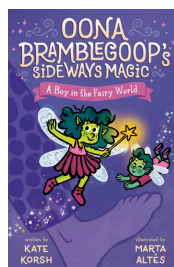
When Dr. Bunsen's latest robotic invention transports Gabe to Antarctica, the DATA Set enter a world filled with ice, snow and shady penguins where nothing is what it seems.



Thief of Dragons

by Gina Kammer

Toni Carpenter hates dragons because her family home was burned down by one, but while trying to steal an egg to sell, she suddenly finds herself bonded to a young delving dragon--and that bond seems impossible to break.



A Boy in the Fairy World

by Kate Korsh

When a human boy follows Oona the Underwear Fairy up into Blackberry Bog, it takes lots of creativity and underwear magic to keep him safe.



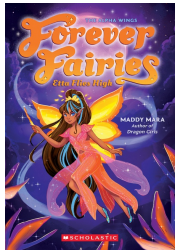
Eloise the Fire Dragon

by Maddy Mara

Eloise, Ash and Maya discover they can transform into powerful Fire Dragons. Eloise must lead Ash and Maya on an epic quest to a place in the forest called the Fire Realm, which only appears once every one thousand years. An evil queen is gaining power there, and she must be stopped!

Explore Other Worlds

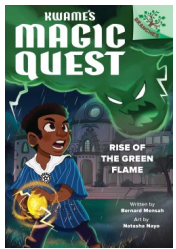
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Etta Flies High

by Maddy Mara

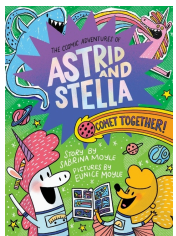
It's almost time for the Midblossom Ball, but something isn't right with the Forever Tree. It's starting to wilt, and none of the fairy wands are working. Etta and the other Alpha Wings must travel to the Wandmakers for help. Will the Alpha Wings be able to fix their wands and save everyone's magic?



Rise of the Green Flame

by Bernard Mensah

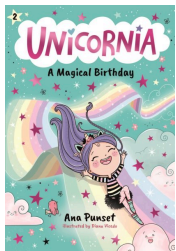
Excited to start magical training with his new friends at school, 8-year-old Kwame starts to worry when he cannot access his magic powers, especially when his friend Fifi starts acting strangely, making him wonder if evil is afoot.



Comet Together!

by Sabrina Moyle

Astrid and Stella love reading comet books and are on a mission to make their own, but the duo must figure out if they can work together. Along the way, Stella is on a quest to discover if robots are helpful friends or evil machines.



A Magical Birthday

by Ana Punset

Pippa's birthday is starting off on the wrong foot, but luckily she and her friends live in Unicornia, the most magical place ever, where the cakes are enchanted, the candies change flavor and the theme parks are covered in glitter, helping turn the birthday party disaster into a great day of fun!



The Big Freeze

by Christina Soontornvat

When the time arrives for her to choose her personal magical winter weather ability, Princess Lina examines the beautiful snowflakes, glacier ice caves, and polar sea storms of her relatives for ideas on how to distinguish herself.



City of Wishes

by Christina Soontornvat

During the New Year break on the dazzling Nakhon Island, Plum and her friends uncover issues plaguing the city. Plum attempts to use her New Year wish to help but finds she must muster all her growing powers to survive the secrets lurking beneath all the glitter and glam.



Mia Mayhem and the Wild Garden

by Kara West

Tasked to grow her own plant with super seeds collected from all corners of the Earth and beyond, Mia finds herself in a unbe-LEAF-able situation when it won't stop growing until it takes over the world!



Haunting of the Ghost Dragon

by Tracey West

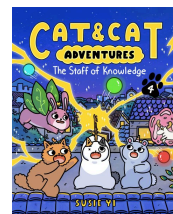
Drake and Bo are sent to Gothica to retrieve a powerful dream orb from the castle of the evil wizard Zoltan--but first they must enlist the help of a young dragon master and his ghost dragon, Phantom.



Rise of the Cat

by Judd Winick

When Polly is sent to a magical boarding school for bad kids after breaking too many rules, she discovers something strange is going on and must get to the bottom of the mystery and reunite with Hilo and friends on Earth.



The Staff of Knowledge

by Susie Yi

Squash and Ginny are preparing for another mission when Magnus suddenly arrives in search of the Staff of Knowledge. They locate the staff right away, but before they can return it to Magnus, Squash tries to conjure snacks, accidentally triggering a massive power surge that causes the orbs to disperse throughout the Human World. The squad must retrieve the orbs before mysterious forces get to them first!



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