

Non-Fiction

*Ugly*—NEW J BIOG HOGE

*Irena's Children: A True Story of Courage*  
— NEW J BIOG SENDLER

*What Monster Are You Most Like?* -- NEW J  
001.944 ROW

*Scratch Programming Playground: Learn  
To Program By Making Cool Games*—NEW  
J 005.133 SWE

*Coding Games in Scratch*—NEW J 005.133  
WOO

*D.I.Y. Make It Happen: Scavenger Hunt*—  
NEW J 796.1 LOH

*Center Field: The History of Baseball*—  
NEW J 796.357

*The Book of Heroines: Tales of History's  
Gutsiest Gals*—NEW J 920.72 DRI

Please note that many of the  
summaries listed are courtesy of  
Novelist.

**Suggested Authors**

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Natalie Babbitt  
*Louis Brallier*  
Pseudonymous Bosch  
Gennifer Chodolenko  
Andrew Clements  
Suzanne Collins  
Sharon Creech  
Paula Danziger  
Roald Dahl  
*Kate DiCamillo*  
Cornelia Funke  
Jack Gantos  
*Chris Grabenstein*  
Dan Gutman  
Tim Green  
Shannon Hale  
James Howe  
Eva Ibbotson  
E.L. Konigsburg  
Gordon Korman  
Lois Lowry  
Wendy Mass  
*Lauren Myracle*  
Kenneth Oppel  
Linda Sue Park  
Katherine Paterson  
Gary Paulsen  
Richard Peck  
Rick Riordan  
J.K. Rowling  
*Jason Reynolds*  
*Rachel Renee Russell*  
Louis Sachar  
Brian Selznick  
Lemony Snicket  
*Trenton Lee Stewart*  
*Raina Telgemeier*  
Clare Vanderpool  
Wendelin Van Draanen  
Rita Williams-Garcia

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## Fiction

### ***Tuck Everlasting***—Natalie Babbitt

A family accidentally stumbles upon a pond that gives them eternal life. Seventy years later, a young girl discovers them and learns their secret.

### ***The Last Kids on Earth series***—Louis Brallier

*A team of 13-year old protagonists take on the monsters and creatures at end of the world.*

### ***The Name of This Book is Secret series***—

Pseudonymous Bosch

Two 11-year-old misfits try to solve the mystery of a dead magician and stop the evil Dr. L and Ms. Mauvais, who are searching for the secret of immortality.

### ***Al Capone Does My Shirts series***—Gennifer

Chodolenko

Set in 1935, 12-year-old Moose Flanagan and his family move from Santa Monica to infamous Alcatraz Island, where his father gets a job as an electrician.

### ***Artemis Fowl***—Eoin Colfer (series)

Twelve-year-old Artemis Fowl is a millionaire, a genius, and, above all, a criminal mastermind. But even Artemis doesn't know what to do when he kidnaps an armed and dangerous fairy.

### ***The Wanderer***—Sharon Creech

Thirteen-year-old Sophie and her cousin, Cody, record their transatlantic crossing aboard the Wanderer, a 45-foot sailboat, while en route to visit their grandfather in England.

### ***The Spiderwick Chronicles series***—Tony DiTerlizzi & Holly Black

After finding a mysterious, handmade field guide in the attic of the old mansion they've just moved into, siblings Jared, Simon, and Mallory, discover that there's a magical and maybe dangerous faerie world existing parallel to our own.

### ***Out of My Mind***—Sharon Draper

Melody cannot walk or talk, but she has a photographic memory and is smarter than the students in her integrated classroom. Melody refuses to be defined by cerebral palsy, and is determined to let everyone know it...somehow.

### ***Harriet the Spy***—Louise Fitzhugh

Eleven-year-old Harriet wants to be a writer, but when she writes down everything she sees, she winds up alienating her friends.

### ***Rangers Apprentice series*** — Flanagan

### ***A Tale Dark and Grimm series***—Adam Gidwitz

Hansel and Gretel walk out of their own story and into eight other classic Grimm fairy tales. As the siblings roam the forest, they learn the true story behind the famous stories, as well as how to create their own happily ever after.

### ***Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library series***—

Grabenstein

Twelve-year-old Kyle gets to stay overnight in the new town library designed by his hero, famous gamemaker Luigi Lemoncello. But when morning comes, he finds he must work with friends to solve puzzles in order to escape.

### ***Welcome to Wonderland series***—Grabenstein

*P.T. and his friend Gloria must solve a mystery at the world's wackiest motel: The Wonderland.*

### ***Honus and Me***—Dan Gutman

Twelve-year-old Joe Stoshack finds a valuable 1909 Honus Wagner card and travels back in time to meet the Hall of Famer.

### ***The Mighty Odds***—Amy Ignatow

*A bus crash gives four very different middle schoolers odd super powers and they must pool their powers to find out what happened to them.*

### ***The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate***—Jacqueline Kelly

In central Texas, 1899, 11-year-old Callie Vee learns how to be a lady from her mother, and studies the natural world with her grandfather, leading to an important discovery.

### ***Amulet series***—Kibuishi

### ***Me & Marvin Gardens***—Amy Sarig King

Obe Devlin spends a lot of his time cleaning up the creek that runs through what little is left of his family's once extensive farmland, and worrying about what the developers are doing nearby, and the pollution it is causing--but one day he finds a strange creature by his creek that eats plastic, and soon the animal he calls Marvin Gardens becomes his personal secret.

### ***From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E.***

***Frankweiler***—E.L. Konigsburg

When a brother and sister run away from home to the Metropolitan Museum of Art, neither imagines that they'll soon be in the middle of the biggest mystery in all of New York!

### ***Ella Enchanted***—Gail Carson Levine

In this novel based on the story of Cinderella, Ella struggles against the childhood curse that forces her to obey any order given to her.

### ***The Candymakers series*** —Wendy Mass

### ***Wishing Day series***—Lauren Myracle

*Following a town tradition, Natasha makes three wishes at the willow tree on Wishing Day, and after one comes true, she holds out hope that her second wish--that her mother, who disappeared eight years earlier, is alive--will as well.*

### ***Shiloh***—Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

When Marty finds a lost beagle in the hills behind his West Virginia home, he tries to hide it from his family and the dog's real owner.

### ***Wonder***—R.J. Palacio

August Pullman was born with a facial difference that, until now, has prevented him from going to a mainstream school. Now that he's starting 5th grade at Beecher Prep, he wants nothing more than to be treated as a regular, ordinary kid.

### ***Bridge to Terabithia***—Katherine Paterson

Ten-year-old Jesse Aarons, who has lived all his life on a farm, becomes friends with Leslie Burke, a "city girl" who moves down the road and widens his imagination.

### ***Hatchet***—Gary Paulsen

Thirteen-year-old Brian Robeson is on his way to visit his father when his single-engine plane crashes. Now Brian must survive in the Canadian wilderness with nothing but the hatchet his mother gave him.

### ***Kingdom Keepers series*** —Peason

### ***Nick & Tesla series*** —Pflugfelder

### ***The Westing Game***—Ellen Raskin

The mysterious death of an eccentric millionaire brings together an unlikely assortment of heirs who must uncover the circumstances of his death before they can claim their inheritance.

### ***The Invention of Hugo Cabret***—Brian Selznick

Twelve-year-old Hugo is an orphan living within the walls of a Paris train station in 1931. When he meets a mysterious toyseller and his goddaughter, his undercover life and his biggest secret are jeopardized.

### ***The Mysterious Benedict Society***—Trenton Lee

Stewart

Plus: *The Secret Keepers*

### ***Spirit Animals series***—Spirit

### ***The Babysitters Club series***—Raina Telgemeier

*Original stories retold and illustrated in graphic novel form.*

### ***In Due Time series***—Nicholas O. Time

Time-traveling adventure great for those who have out-grown the Magic Tree House books.

### ***Sammy Keyes series*** —Wendelin Van Draanen

Amateur sleuth Josephine "Sammy" Keyes is on the case, solving mysteries in her small California town.

### ***Voyagers series***—Voyagers

Eight boys and girls compete for a spot on the space voyage that will search for a source to solve Earth's energy crisis.

### ***City of Fire***—Lawrence Yep