

Recommended Reads

4th Grade



**J
BADU, T**

Freddie vs. the Family Curse Tracy Badua



A young Filipino-American boy named Freddie Ruiz must team up with his cranky great-granduncle Ramon to break the curse that's haunted their family for generations or be trapped in an amulet forever.

**J
BEIL, M**

The Swallowtail Legacy: Wreck at Ada's Reef Michael D. Beil



Twelve-year-old Lark Heron-Finch inherits a house on Swallowtail Island in Lake Erie, where she untangles a decades-old mystery and saves the island from unscrupulous developers.

**J
BROW, I**

The Girl in the Lake India Hill Brown



Celeste knows she should be excited to spend two weeks at her grandparents' lake house with her brother and their cousins, but she's not. She just failed her swim test and hates being in the water. And soon strange things start happening.

**J
DOWN, E**

When Life Gives You Lemons, Make Peach Pie Erin Soderberg Downing



Lucy, Freddy, and Herb are shocked to find out that one of the inventions their mom came up with before she passed away has sold, and now they're millionaires! To live out one of their mom's dreams, they will be spending the summer traveling the country selling pies. But a crucial fact is that none of them knows how to bake...

**J
EDGE, C**

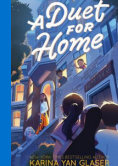
Race for the Escape Christopher Edge



Ami Oswald and her four escape room challenge teammates realize the danger in the rooms is very real and they must solve the mysterious riddle the Host has given them before it is too late.

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GLAS, K**

A Duet for Home Karina Yan Glaser



It's June's first day at Huey House, and as if losing her home weren't enough, she also can't bring her cherished viola inside. Tyrell has been at Huey House for three years and gives June a glimpse of the good things about living there: friendship, hot meals, and a classical musician next door. Can he and June work together to oppose the government, or will families be forced out of Huey House before they are ready?

**J
OSHI, M**

You Only Live Once, David Bravo Mark Oshiro



After eleven-year-old David Bravo wishes for a do-over of a disastrous day of middle school, he and a shapeshifting spirit guide try to right a wrong in his past.

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PERE, C**

Tumble Celia C. Pérez



Before she decides whether to accept her stepfather's proposal of adoption, twelve-year-old Adela Ramírez reaches out to her estranged biological father—who is in the midst of a career comeback as a luchador—and the eccentric extended family of wrestlers she has never met, bringing Adela closer to understanding the expansive definition of family.

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TOKU, Z

Airi Sano, Prankmaster General: New School Skirmish

Zoe Tokushige



After spending her childhood moving from one military base to another, Airi is excited to be settling down for the long-term in Hawai'i. She's less excited about her new teacher, who's determined to make Airi like school. But she's got a plan: prank her teacher so hard that she gives up on even trying to get Airi to do any work.

J GN
GONZ, C

Invisible
Christina Diaz Gonzalez



Five very different students are forced together by their school to complete community service... and may just have more in common than all being Spanish speakers. When they meet someone who truly needs their help, they must decide whether they are each willing to expose their own secrets to help...or if remaining invisible is the only way to survive middle school.

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GRAN, J

Can You Believe It?: How to Spot Fake News and Find the Facts

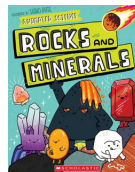
Joyce Grant



For today's tech-savvy kids, here's the go-to resource for navigating what they read on the internet. Should we believe everything we read online? Definitely not! And this book will tell you why. This fascinating book explores in depth how real journalism is made, what "fake news" is and, most importantly, how to spot the difference.

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FARN, J

Animated Science: Rocks and Minerals
John Farndon

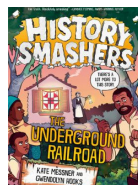


From gemstones to fossils and beyond, Animated Science: Rocks and Minerals is the definitive guide to rocks and minerals for grade school readers. In this book, readers will explore the substances that make up our Earth through comic illustrations and hilarious characters.

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MESS, K

History Smashers: Underground Railroad

Kate Messner



Uncover the hidden truth about the Underground Railroad and Black Americans' struggle for freedom. Before the Civil War, there was a crack team of abolitionists who used quilts and signal lanterns to guide enslaved people to freedom. Right? Wrong! The truth is, it wasn't very organized, and most freedom seekers were on their own.

JB
THUN, G

Who is Greta Thunberg?
Jill Leonard



The inspiring story of a young Swedish girl who sparked a worldwide revolution. When she was just fifteen years old, Greta Thunberg knew she wanted to change the world. With a hand-painted sign that read "School strike for the climate", Greta sat alone on the steps of the Swedish parliament to call for stronger action on climate change. Her one-person strike would soon spark a worldwide movement.

MORE BOOKS YOU MAY ENJOY:

Yusuf Azeem is Not a Hero | J Farqui

The Last-Last-Day-of-Summer | J Giles

The Lion of Mars | J Holm

Ophie's Ghosts | J Ireland

Stuntboy, in the Meantime | J Reynolds

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