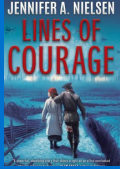


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NIEL, J

Lines of Courage
Jennifer A. Nielsen



From the assassination that triggers World War I in 1914 to Armistice Day in 1918, the story follows the fates of five young people on both sides of the conflict--each facing their portion of the war with courage, until the end of the war brings them together.

J
OH, E

Finding Junie Kim
Ellen Oh



A tale based on true events follows the coming-of-age of a girl who is motivated by an act of racism at school to learn about her ancestral heritage and her grandparents' experiences as lost children during the Korean War.

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SCHR, S

Three Strike Summer
Skyler Schrempp



Dust Bowl refugee Gloria Mae Willard finds herself uprooted and working on a California peach orchard, where she tries to join the secret, all-boys baseball team that she's desperate to play on.

J
VERN, S

The Sky We Shared
Shirley Reva Vernick



Set during WWII, Nellie, a young Oregonian and survivor of a balloon bomb, strives to understand how the war has torn her community apart. Across the ocean, Tamiko helps create balloon bombs, but in her struggle to survive hunger and starvation, she muddles her way through her anger against the United States for the war.

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AMOS, S

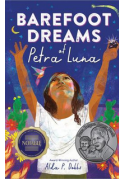
Cookies & Milk
Shawn Amos



Eleven-year-old Ellis discovers family secrets, makes new friends, and adjusts to his parents' recent divorce during a hijinks-filled summer helping his father open the world's first chocolate chip cookie store in 1976 Hollywood.

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DOBB, A

Barefoot Dreams of Petra Luna
Alda P. Dobbs



It is 1913, and twelve-year-old Petra's mama has died while the Revolution rages in Mexico. Before her papa is dragged away by soldiers, Petra vows to him that she will care for the family she has left until they can be reunited. They flee north through the unforgiving desert as their town burns, searching for safe harbor in a world that offers none.

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KELK, S

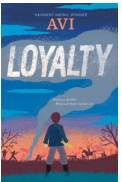
Strong as Fire, Fierce as Flame
Supriya Kelkar



In 1857 India, 12-year-old Meera escapes a life she has no say in--and certain death on her husband's funeral pyre--only to end up a servant to a British general in the East India Company. When a rebellion against British colonizers spreads, she must choose between relative safety in a British household or standing up for herself and her people.

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AVI

Loyalty
Avi



When his father is killed by rebel vigilantes, Noah flees with his family to Boston. Intent on avenging his father, he becomes a spy for the British. During the key events leading to the American Revolution, Noah must forge his own understanding of right and wrong and determine for himself where his loyalty truly lies.

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ELLI, Z

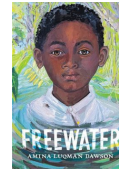
Moonwalking
Zetta Elliot & Lyn Miller Lachmann



In 1980s Brooklyn, new student JJ Pankowski, an autistic, punk-rock-lover, befriends Pie Velez, an Afro-Latinx math geek and graffiti artist.

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LUQM, D

Freewater
Amina Luqman-Dawson



After fleeing the plantation where they were enslaved, siblings Ada and Homer discover the secret community of Freewater, and work with freeborn Sanzi to protect their new home from the encroaching dangers of the outside world.

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CHO, J

Troublemaker
John Cho



On the first night of rioting in the wake of the Rodney King verdict, Jordan's father leaves to check on the family store, spurring twelve-year-old Jordan and his friends to embark on a dangerous journey through South Central and Koreatown to come to his aid, encountering the racism within their community as they go.

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GUND, J

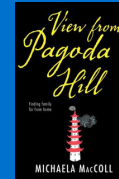
Girls Survive: Audrey Under the Big Top
Jessica Gunderson



In 1944 in Hartford, Connecticut, Audrey dreams of being an aerialist like her heroes, the Flying Wallendas, and so she is excited to go to Ringling Brothers circus with her six-year-old twin sisters; but at the show a fire breaks out, and as the crowd starts to panic, Audrey struggles to reach her sisters.

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MACC, M

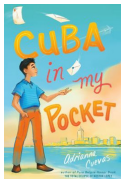
View from Pagoda Hill
Michaela MacColl



Set in the late 1800s, here is the story of Ning, a Chinese American girl who struggles to find her place in the world when she is forced to leave her home in Shanghai to go live in America with a father she barely knows.

J
CUEV, A

Cuba in My Pocket
Adrienne Cuevas



In 1961 Cuba, with the threat of military service for children looming, twelve-year-old Cumba's parents send him to Miami, where he lives with a new family and misses his homeland.

J
JACK, L

The Lucky Ones
Linda Williams Jackson



It's 1967, and Ellis Earl Brown dreams of a real house, food enough for the whole family--and to be someone. So he applies himself at school, soaking up the lessons that Mr. Foster teaches his class. But when Mama tells Ellis Earl that he might need to quit school to help support the family, he wonders if happy endings are only possible in storybooks.

J
NANN, K

We Are Wolves
Katrina Nannestad



When the Russian army marches into East Prussia at the end of World War II, the Wolf family flees, but Liesl, Otto, and their baby sister, Mia, are separated from their mother, and they are forced to do dangerous things to survive.