

# Recommended Reads

## 6th Grade



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ARDE, K

### Small Spaces Katherine Arden



After eleven-year-old Ollie's school bus mysteriously breaks down on a field trip, she has to take a trip through scary woods, and must use all of her wits to survive. She must stick to small spaces.

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CART, P

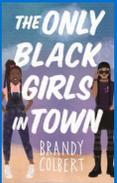
### Each Tiny Spark Pablo Cartaya



Sixth-grader Emilia Torres struggles with ADHD, her controlling abuela, her mother's work commitments, her father's distance after returning from deployment, evolving friendships, and a conflict over school redistricting.

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COLB, B

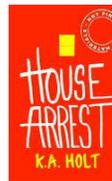
### The Only Black Girls In Town Brandy Colbert



In a predominately white California beach town, the only two black seventh-graders, Alberta and Edie, find hidden journals that uncover family secrets and speak to race relations in the past.

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HOLT, K

### House Arrest K.A. Holt



Young Timothy is sentenced to house arrest after impulsively stealing a wallet, and he is forced to keep a journal into which he pours all his thoughts, fears, and frustrations.

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GEME, D

### The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise Dan Gemeinhart



Twelve-year-old Coyote and her father rush to Poplin Springs, Washington, in their old school bus save a memory box buried in a park that will soon be demolished.

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GUTE, B

### Winterhouse Ben Guterson



Elizabeth, eleven, spends Christmas break at Winterhouse hotel under strange circumstances, where she discovers that she has magic, and her love of puzzles helps her solve a mystery.

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KELK, S

### American as Paneer Pie Supriya Kelkar



When a racist incident rocks her small Michigan town, eleven-year-old Lekha must decide whether to speak up or stay silent, even as she struggles to navigate her life at home, where she can be herself, and at school, where she is teased about her culture.

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REYN, J

### Look Both Ways: a Tale Told in Ten Blocks Jason Reynolds



A collection of ten short stories that all take place in the same day about kids walking home from school

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SONN, J



The Secret Sheriff of Sixth Grade  
Jordan Sonnenblick

Maverick Falconer is just starting middle school and he wishes he were a hero like his father because maybe then he could deal with his mother's drinking and series of abusive boyfriends, not to mention the kids who bully him in middle school but as the year passes he begins to realize that other kids have problems too, and maybe if they can all survive sixth-grade things will get better.

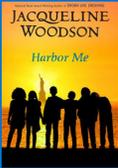
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TOWN, J



Nevermoor: The Trials of Morrigan Crow  
Jessica Townsend

A cursed child destined to die on her eleventh birthday is rescued and whisked away to a secret realm called Nevermoor and given the chance to compete for a place in a prestigious organization called the Wondrous Society

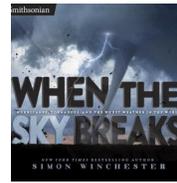
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WOOD, J



Harbor Me  
Jacqueline Woodson

When six students are chosen to participate in a weekly talk with no adults allowed, they discover that when they're together, it's safe to share the hopes and fears they have to hide from the rest of the world

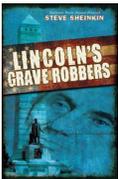
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WINC, S



When the Sky Breaks  
Simon Winchester

Winchester looks at how, when, where, and why hurricanes, typhoons, cyclones, and tornadoes start brewing, how they build, and what happens when these giant storms hit.

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SHEI, S



Lincoln's Grave Robbers  
Steve Sheinkin

Describes how a counterfeiting ring plotted to ransom Lincoln's body to secure the release of their imprisoned ringleader, and how a fledging Secret Service and an undercover agent conducted a daring election-night sting operation.

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MOUL, S



How to Be a Scientist  
Steve Mould

Provides step-by-step instructions for over forty science experiments examining the human body, the Earth, the natural world, and the properties of space. Also includes stories about famous scientists and pages explaining the science behind the activities.-- source other than Library of Congress.

## MORE BOOKS YOU MAY ENJOY:

Ivy Aberdeen's Letter to the World | Blake

Efrén Divided | Cisneros

The Secret Deep | Galvin

Greenglass House | Milford

The List of Things That Will Not Change | Stead

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