

Table Titans Club by Scott Kurtz

Valeria loves fantasy, especially Valkyries. Unfortunately, her own warrior ways have gotten her in trouble, and she's worried her new school won't change that. Enter: The Table Titans, the school's D&D group, and Val's chance to fit in. So when the club's future is at Novel Gr. 5 risk, she'll do anything to save the day!

The Tenth Mistake of Hank Hooperman

by Gennifer Choldenko

When Hank's mom doesn't come home. he takes care of his toddler sister. Boo. like always, but after a week, he knows he needs help. But help means social workers, a new school, and maybe being separated from Boo. Will help mean Hank actually loses everything? Realistic Gr. 6





Mystery Gr. 4

Trouble at the Tangerine

by Gillian McDunn

Simon is sick of "The Hydes Go Seek," his family's social media channel about life on the road. He hopes their newest apartment can be forever, but a theft in their building might cause them to up and leave again! Simon vows to solve the mystery and finally put down roots.



Aliya has just moved from Florida to Wisconsin, and everything is different the weather is colder, her Islamic school is bigger, and her new basketball team is.. well, awful! But with Aliya's skills, and a new coach, maybe this is the year Peace Academy will go all the way! Graphic Novel Gr. 6



Survival Gr. 4+

When a massive tidal wave hits their town, Nick and Jess barely survive by running uphill into the woods. The wave flattens the massive forest, and washes the two kids far inland. Now, to get help, they must work together to escape the maze of smashed trees before hunger, thirst, or desperate wildlife take them down.

Wild Wave by Rodman Philbrick

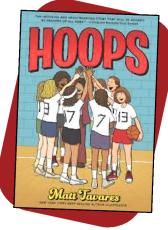
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Hoops

by Matt **Tavares**



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- Ground Zero, by Alan Gratz
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Answers to Dog by Pete Hautman

Evan keeps his head down and stays out of things, until a skinny border collie begins following him. If he wants to truly help this dog, Evan will need to finally speak up and reach out. Realistic Gr. 5 & 6

The Bletchley Riddle

by Ruta Sepetys & Steve Sheinkin With her mother missing, Lizzie is being sent off to her American grandmother to avoid the bombing of London, Instead, she runs, and soon finds herself staying with her brother at Britain's top-secret codebreaking headquarters, Bletchley Park!



Historical Gr. 6



Deer Run Home by Ann Clare LeZotte Effie's family won't learn sign language, so she can't really talk at home, especially about the abuse and violence there. Fortunately, her school interpreter, Miss Kathy, is willing to fight for Effie's voice and her safety. Verse Gr. 4

Faker by Gordon Korman

Trev is very good at making new friends - after all, that's his job in the family business. Trey makes wealthy friends at each new private school, introduces his dad to their parents, his dad scams them out of some money, then they run before they can be caught. I mean, nobody's actually Mystery/Realistic Gr. 4+ getting hurt... Right?



The Girl Who Kept the Castle

by Ryan Graudin

"Wizard West was dead for nearly an entire day before he noticed." Now if his ghost doesn't pick a successor, his enchanted castle - and the only home young Faye has ever known- will crumble. But not all the candidates are who they seem... Fantasy Gr. 5



The Great Zoodini by PJ Gardner

The Great Zoodini, (aka Radar, the fennec fox), has never had a true home, or a true friend, except for his stuffed rabbit. But when his new sanctuary full of fellow quirky animals might be sold, it's up to him to save his newfound family.

Mystery Gr. 4

Impossible Creatures by Katherine Rundell

The day that Christopher saved a baby griffin from a hidden lake would change his life forever. It's the day he learned about the Archipelago-a cluster of unmapped islands where magical creatures have thrived for thousands of years- until now. And it's the day he met Mal-a girl on the run, in desperate need of his help. Fantasy Gr. 5+



The Last Hope School for Magical **Delinguents** by Nicki Pau Preto

Vin Lucas has powerful magic. So powerful, her outbursts have gotten her kicked out of every magic school across the globe. She has one chance left to learn control. Is Last Hope the key to her future, or the end of her road? Fantasy Gr. 5

The Liars Society by Alyson Gerber

Weatherby has never met her dad. but she's thrilled when her sailing skills earn her a scholarship to his alma mater. But below the gilded surface, the school hides a deadly secret... Mystery Gr. 5+

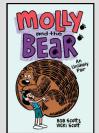




The Myths of Monsters: Medusa by Katherine Marsh

When Ava loses her temper and accidentally turns a classmate into a statue (temporarily, anyway), she is whisked off to The Accademia del Forte - a school for the descendants of mythological MONSTERS!

Fantasy Gr. 4



Molly and the Bear: An Unlikely

Pair by Bob Scott & Vicki Scott When Molly meets Bear, it's BFFs at first sight! Only, it turns out Bear is scared of EVERYTHING, and everyone else is scared of Bear! Can Molly convince her friends (and her parents!) that Bear should stay? Graphic Novel/Humor Gr. 4

The New Girl by Cassandra Calin

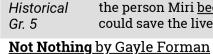
Lia's family moving from Romania to Canada is NOT her idea. To add insult to injury, she gets her first period at the airport! Now she's facing new friend drama and monthly cramps in a new school, where she doesn't even speak the language! Graphic Novel Gr. 5



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The Night War by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

When a Nazi roundup takes her entire Jewish neighborhood in Paris, Miri is hidden away at a Catholic school in the countryside. One night, Miri is tasked with a deadly errand. The person she meets that night will save her life, but the person Miri becomes that night could save the lives of many more.



Alex is a boy on court-ordered community service. Josey is a 107-yearold man who won't speak and just wants to die already. When they meet, something makes Josey start telling Alex about his life, a conversation that will change both of them forever. Realistic Gr. 6





The Sherlock Society by James Ponti

When your last name is Sherlock, what else are you gonna do but start solving mysteries? But what do you do when a decades-old cold case unveils an ongoing crime? Mystery Gr. 5