

## Fiction

Baptist, Kelly J. *Eb & Flow*. In this novel in verse, we meet Ebony and De'Kari (aka Flow), who do not get along. How could they when Ebony ruined Flow's prized sneakers? But after a cafeteria scuffle lands them in a two-week suspension, they have time to see the world with a fresh perspective.

Brosgol, Vera. *Return to Sender*. Oliver wishes his life could be easier. And then one day, after slipping a wish into a mysterious mail slot, it suddenly comes true. Oliver's dreams are finally within his grasp... but what happens when he discovers that his wishes don't come for free?

Burch, Ciera. *Finch House*. When Micah's grandfather goes missing, her instincts lead her to the off-limits Finch House, but when a boy named Theo invites her in, Micah realizes she cannot leave and must convince the house to let her go.

Burnham, Molly B. *The Infinite Questions of Dottie Bing*. Dottie Bing is a problem-solver and question-asker, but when her grandfather comes to stay he brings the biggest question that Dottie has ever encountered: How do you heal a broken heart?

Cervantes, Angela. *Into the Shadows* (series). Next door to the notorious Area 51 sits Area 53, home to Ollie and Garen, and dozens of captured mythical and magical creatures. What happens when creatures escape?

Colbert, Brandy. *Let's Get Together*. Kenya Norwood likes things just the way they are, but for Liberty Perry, change is all she's ever known. Everything changes the day they meet and discover they are identical.

Cuevas, Adrianna. *What Fell from the Sky*. In 1950s Texas, Pineda hides an alien in his family's barn, and tries to reunite her with her family despite the soldiers using the town for a covert mission.

Eldredge, Jan. *Nimbus*. Nimbus had a rough start as a kitten, until she met Fletcher. When Fletcher's superstitious aunt secretly abandons Nim, she learns to harness her magical powers to find her way home.

James, Anna. *Alice with a Why*. When a mysterious invitation to a tea party hits her square in the face, Alyce realizes that her grandmother Alice's strange stories of a place called Wonderland might have some truth to them after all, and she is soon tumbling down into Wonderland herself.

Mandanna, Sangu. *Vanya and the Wild Hunt*. Vanya has never felt she fit in. She's British Indian in a mostly white English town, her parents won't talk about their pasts, and she has ADHD. Oh, and she talks to books. And the books talk back.

Martin, Emily B. *Nell O'Dell Hates Quests*. Nell's parents are retired questers. Everyone assumes Nell will follow in their footsteps, but she just wants a quiet life. Then a boring business trip gets complicated when she finds herself up against an excitable travel partner, a thief in the night, stolen treasure, and a mysterious knife. And dragons.

Netz, Mo. *The Lumbering Giants of Windy Pines*. Ever since her dad died, Jerry and her mom have bounced between rundown motels, but the Slumbering Giant motel is different. People disappear into the woods, never to be seen again. When her mom goes missing, Jerry and her friends venture into the forbidden woods to save her mother.

North, Jacob. *Ice Apprentices* (series). Oswin Fields, a founding in the icy settlement of Tundra, must prove his worth as a new magic apprentice while battling monsters and confronting a dark legacy tied to his infamous adopted uncle.

Rellihan, Anne. *Not the Worst Friend in the World*. Lou wishes she could turn back time to mend her friendship with Francie after a terrible fight, so when Lou befriends Cece she is eager to prove herself. As she uncovers the truth about Cece's family, she grapples with what being a good friend means.

Thompson, Lin. *The House That Whispers*. Simon and his siblings are staying the week at their grandmother's century-old house. Simon becomes convinced that his grandma's house is haunted... This is not their usual summer vacation!

Ursu, Anne. *Not Quite a Ghost*. When Violet and her family move into an old house, Violet falls mysteriously ill. As days turn into weeks, she spends more time in her attic bedroom surrounded by shadows and old yellow wallpaper covered in a faded tangle of twisting vines. Soon, Violet suspects she might not be alone in the room at all.

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## Nonfiction

Balfe, Abigail. *A Different Kind of Normal* (618.928 BAL).

Brown, Aly. *The Last Unexplored Place on Earth: Investigating the Ocean Floor with Alvin the Submersible* (623.82 BRO).

Clarkson, Giselle. *The Observologist: A Handbook for Mounting Very Small Scientific Expeditions* (508 CLA).

Day, Nicholas. *A World Without Summer: A Volcano Erupts, a Creature Awakens, and the Sun Goes Out* (303.485 DAY).

Golecha, Devshree and Kiara. *Data Made Fun for Kids* (005.7 GOL).

Jenson-Elliott, Cindy. *The Doomsday Detectives: How Walter and Luis Alvarez Solved the Mystery of Dinosaur Extinction* (576.84 JEN).

Kennedy, Katie. *Did You Hear What Happened in Salem? The Witch Trials of 1692* (133.43 KEN).

Logan, Jason. *How to Be a Color Wizard: Forage and Experiment with Natural Art Making* (745.5 LOG).

Nickum, Nora. *This Book Is Full of Holes: From Underground to Outer Space and Everywhere In Between* (500 NIC).

Roy, Katherine. *Making More: How Life Begins* (571.8 ROY).

Schwartz, Ella. *Is it Okay to Pee in the Ocean?* (612.461 SCH).

Warner, Andy. *Spices and Spuds: How Plants Made Our World* (Graphic Novel Nonfiction, 630 WAR).

Williams, Molly. *How to Speak Flower: A Kid's Guide to Buds, Blooms, and Blossoms* (582.13 WIL).

## Graphic Novels

Brill, Calista. *Creaky Acres*. Nora is a prize-winning horseback rider in a suburban area, but when her mom gets a new rural job, she has to adjust to a lot of changes, like being the only Black kid in a new class and a new barn where her beloved horse, Hay Fever, will make his new home.

Frampton, Otis. *The Patchwork Girl of Oz*. When Ojo and Unc Nunkie meet a crooked magician in Munchkinland and Unc's magic goes awry, their lives are turned upside down!

Godwin, Tate. *Operation: Cover-Up*. Nick's a straight-A student. Sy's a class clown. But when they start at a new school, misunderstandings cause everyone to think Nick's the class clown and Sy's the brainiac. Eager to fit in, they make a pact to help each other fake their way through the school year.

Guojing. *Oasis*. JieJie and DiDi are living on their own in a barren desert while their mother works to earn their admission into Oasis City, but everything changes when they come across a robot lying dormant in an abandoned junkyard.

Leigh, Lindsey. *The Dark!: Wild Life in the Mysterious World of Caves* (Graphic Novel Nonfiction, 551.447 LEI). Explore the weirdest and creepiest critters that thrive in the darkest corners of our planet.

Lide, Eric. *DragonForged: Sword of the Champion*. Orin's life is uprooted when he discovers that he is the reincarnation of a great hero, destined to defeat the evil Fiendlord.

Lu, Shaina. *Noodle & Bao*. Town 99 is changing. Rent is becoming unaffordable for Momo and her parents, and her best friend Bao's restaurant is struggling. They decide to do whatever it takes to protect their beloved neighborhood.

Mensinga, Sarah. *Kindred Dragons*. Fanciful, dragon-obsessed Alice has been unhappy ever since her parents sent her to live with her strict grandmother, and wishes she will become a Kindred who receives a dragon egg to care for.

Nicholas, Jamar. *Leon the Extraordinary* (series). In a world filled with superpowers, regular kid Leon can't help but feel a little ordinary. But that won't stop him from trying as he attempts to not only be a hero without any abilities, but also navigate the difficulties of middle school.

Roman, Dave. *Unicorn Boy*. The first few years of Brian's life were unremarkable. Then one day, a bump appeared on his head, and it grew...and grew... and grew until it was a full-blown, sparkling, singing unicorn horn.

Sattin, Samuel. *Unico: Awakening*. Banished by an evil goddess, a brave young unicorn awakens in an unfamiliar world without his memories. When his new friend Chloe, an abandoned watch cat, begs Unico to turn her into a human, Unico's act of kindness has dangerous and unforeseen consequences.

Smith, Brady. *Maxwell Dark, Nightmare Hunter* (series). Maxwell, who can enter and battle other kids' nightmares, has helped countless dreamers. Then he meets Sid, whose increasingly eerie nightmares make Maxwell question if he is trapped in one himself.