

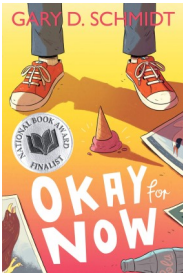
Amal Unbound / Aisha Saeed
J FICTION SAEED

Twelve-year-old Amal, who lives in a small village in Pakistan, dreams of becoming a teacher despite being forced into indentured servitude after inadvertently insulting a member of the village's ruling family.



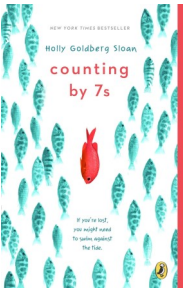
Okay for Now / Gary D. Schmidt
Y FICTION SCHMIDT

With the help of his new friend, Doug finds the strength to endure an abusive father, the suspicions of a whole town, and the return of his oldest brother, forever scarred, from Vietnam.



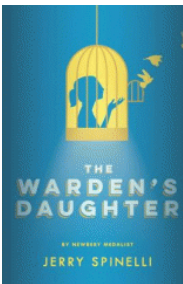
Counting by 7s / Holly Goldberg Sloan
Y FICTION SLOAN

Twelve-year-old genius and outsider Willow Chance must figure out how to connect with other people and find a surrogate family for herself after her parents are killed in a car accident.



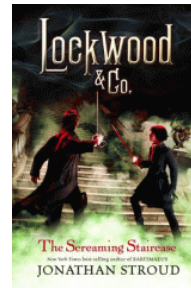
The Warden's Daughter / Jerry Spinelli
Y FICTION SPINELLI

Cammie O'Reilly lives at the Hancock County Prison, not as a prisoner, she's the warden's daughter. She spends the mornings hanging out with shoplifters and reformed arsonists in the women's exercise yard, which gives Cammie a certain cache with her friends.



Lockwood and Co.: The Screaming Staircase / Jonathan Stroud
Y FICTION STROUD

When London is overrun by malevolent spirits, a talented group of young psychic detectives compete against other ghostbusting agencies in the debut of a new series that finds three intrepid colleagues investigating one of England's most haunted houses.



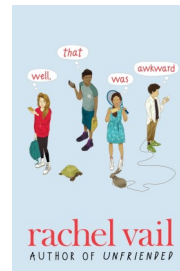
The Menagerie / Tui Sutherland
J FICTION SUTHERLAND

When twelve-year-old Logan Wilde wakes up to discover a baby griffin hiding under his bed, he suddenly finds himself thrown into a mystery involving his classmate Zoe Kahn and a magical menagerie right in the middle of his sleepy Wyoming town



Well, That Was Awkward / Rachel Vail
Y FICTION VAIL

Gracie has never felt like this before. One day, she suddenly can't breathe, can't walk, can't anything-and the reason is standing there right in front of her-A.J. But it turns out A.J. likes Gracie's best friend, Sienna.



Other Words for Home / Jasmine Warga
J FICTION WARGA

Sent with her mother to the safety of a relative's home in Cincinnati when her Syrian community is overshadowed by violence, Jude worries for the beloved family members who were left behind and forges a new sense of identity shaped by friends and changing perspectives.



The Way to Bea / Kat Yeh
Y FICTION YEH

Everything in Bea's world has changed. She's starting 7th grade newly friendless and facing big changes at home, where she is about to go from only child to big sister. Feeling alone and adrift, and like her words don't deserve to be seen, Bea takes solace in writing haiku in invisible ink and hiding them in a secret spot.



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Books for 7th and 8th Graders



Booked / Kwame Alexander

Y FICTION ALEXANDER

Soccer, family, love, and friendship take center stage as twelve-year-old Nick learns the power of words as he wrestles with problems at home, stands up to a bully, and tries to impress the girl of his dreams.

The Thing About Jellyfish / Ali Benjamin

Y FICTION BENJAMIN

After her best friend dies in a drowning accident, Suzy is convinced that the true cause of the tragedy must have been a rare jellyfish sting.

The Epic Fail of Arturo Zamora / Pablo Cartaya

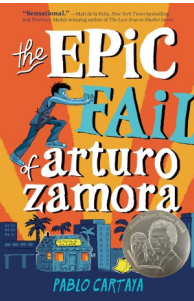
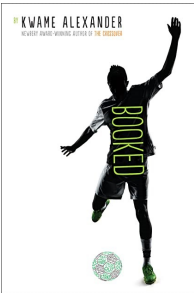
Y FICTION CARTAYA

Save the restaurant. Save the town. Get the girl. Make Abuela proud. Can thirteen-year-old Arturo Zamora do it all or is he in for a BIG, EPIC FAIL?

The School for Good and Evil / Soman Chainani

Y FICTION CHAINANI

This year best friends Sophie and Agatha will discover what it is to be a student at the fabled School for Good and Evil, where ordinary boys and girls are trained to be fairy-tale heroes and villains.



Moxie and the Art of Rule Breaking / Erin Dionne

J MYSTERY DIONNE

Moxie Fleece knows the rules and follows them --

that is, until the day she opens her front door to a mysterious stranger.

The Night Diary / Veera Hiranandani

Y FICTION

HIRANANDANI

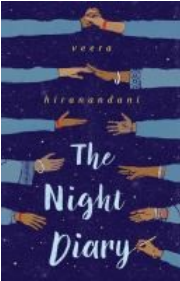
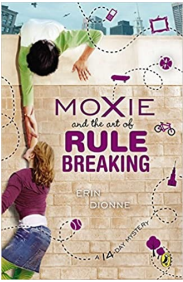
Shy twelve-year-old Nisha, forced to flee her home with her Hindu family during the 1947 partition of India, tries to find her voice and make sense of the world falling apart around her by writing to her deceased Muslim mother in the pages of her diary.

Midnight Without a Moon /

Linda Williams Jackson

Y FICTION JACKSON

It's Mississippi in the summer of 1955, and Rose Lee Carter can't wait to move north. But for now, she's living with her sharecropper grandparents on a white man's cotton plantation. Then, one town over, Emmett Till is killed for allegedly whistling at a white woman.



The Great Greene Heist / Varian Johnson

Y FICTION JOHNSON

Jackson Greene is saving the school -- one con at a time.

Invisible Emmie / Terri Libenson

J GRAPHIC NOVEL

The lives of two middle school girls, one a quiet artist, the other a popular overachiever, intersect on a day shaped by a misdelivered note, crushes, humiliations, boredom and drama.

I am Number Four / Pittacus Lore

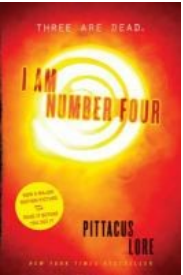
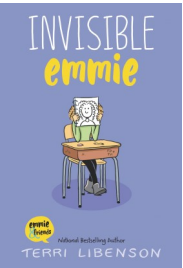
Y SCI FI LORE

Nine Loric children were sent to Earth to live in hiding until they grew up and developed their Legacies, powers that would help them fight back and help them save us. Three of them are now dead. John is Number Four, and he knows he's next...

Legend / Marie Lu

Y FICTION LU

From very different worlds, June and Day have no reason to cross paths - until the day June's brother, Metias, is murdered and Day becomes the prime suspect.



Impyrium / Henry Neff

Y FICTION NEFF

One wants to protect the dynasty. The other wants to destroy it. But when Hazel and Hob form an improbable friendship, their bond may save the realm as they know it...or end it for good.

A Night Divided / Jennifer A. Nielsen

Y FICTION NIELSEN

With the rise of the Berlin Wall, 12-year-old Gerta finds her family divided overnight. One day, on her way to school, Gerta spots her father on a viewing platform then receives a mysterious drawing. Gerta concludes that her father wants Gerta to tunnel beneath the wall. Will Gerta and her family find their way to freedom?

Knights of the Borrowed Dark / Dave Rudden

Y FICTION RUDDEN

Denizen Hardwick is an orphan with no family, no past, and little prospects for his future. Everything changes the night he discovers he has a long-lost aunt. He's whisked away into a secret society where he soon learns that he has special powers and a connection to the Knights who fight against the shadow monsters.

