

BOOKS FOR BOYS

- Youth Fic Avi **The Barn** Grade 4-7
In an effort to fulfill their dying father's last wish, nine-year-old Ben and his brother and sister construct a barn on their land in Oregon Territory.
- Youth Fic Blume, Judy **Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing** Grade 4-6
A light, humorous story about Pete Hatcher and his troubles with his cantankerous two-and-a-half-year-old brother.
- Youth Fic Brown, Jeff **Flat Stanley** Grade K-3
Meet Stanley Lambchop. He's an ordinary boy with an extraordinary problem. He's four feet tall, about a foot wide . . . oh, and half an inch thick.
- Youth Fic Carris, Joan **When the Boys Ran the House** Grade 4-7
While Jut's mother recovers from a serious illness and his father is away on a European business trip, Jut and his three younger brothers run the house.
- Youth Fic Choldenko, Gennifer **Al Capone Does My Shirts** Grade 5-8
Twelve-year-old Moose moves to Alcatraz in 1935 so his father can work as a prison guard and his younger, autistic sister, Natalie, can attend a special school in San Francisco.
- Youth Fic Christopher, Matt **Hat Trick** Grade 2-4
When his older brother gets his picture in the paper for scoring three goals in a soccer game, Stookie tries to emulate his feat
- Newbery Cleary, Beverly **Dear Mr. Henshaw** Grade 3-6
In letters to his favorite author, ten-year-old Leigh reveals his problems in coping with his parents' divorce, being the new boy in school and generally finding his own place in the world.
- Youth Fic Clements, Andrew **No Talking** Grade 3-6
Dave Packer's fifth-grade classmates are so boisterous and difficult to quiet down that the teachers have dubbed them "The Unshushables."
Soon, the boys and girls challenge each other to a no-talking contest for 48 hours.
- Youth Fic Crew, Linda **Nekomah Creek** Grade 4-6
Nine-year-old Robby loves his noisy family but unwanted attention from a counselor and a bully at school makes him realize how unconventional his family might look to outsiders.

-]Newbery Fleischman, Sid **The Whipping Boy** Grade 5-7
 Jemmy is Prince Brat's whipping boy. When the spoiled prince decides to run away, it is Jemmy who saves them from a pair of nasty villains.
- Newbery Fox, Paula **One-Eyed Cat** Grade 6-9
 After Ned Wallis plays with an air rifle, he realizes that he may be responsible for the injury of a wild cat that turns up in the woods near his house.
- Youth Fic Funke, Cornelia C. **The Thief Lord** Grade 6-8
 Prosper and Bo are orphans on the run from their cruel aunt and uncle. The brothers decide to hide out in Venice where they meet a mysterious character who calls himself the "Thief Lord."
- Youth Fic Gantos, Jack **Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key** Grade 4-7
 To the constant disappointment of his mother and his teachers, Joey has trouble paying attention or controlling his mood swings when his prescription meds wear off and he starts getting worked up and acting wired.
- Newbery George, Jean C. **My Side of the Mountain** Grade 4-8
 While a young boy survives living alone in the Catskill Mountains by his dependence on nature and his animal friends, he comes to realize that he needs human companionship.
- Youth Fic Gutman, Dan **Mr. Klutz is Nuts!** Grade 2-3
 First in the "My Weird School" series, never before has school been this mixed up -- or this much fun.
- Youth Fic Juster, Norton **The Phantom Tollbooth** Grade 5-8
 A journey through a land where Milo learns the importance of words and numbers and a cure for his boredom.
- Newbery Jukes, Mavis **Like Jake and Me** Grade 3-6
 Alex admires his strong, cowboy-like stepfather Jake and wishes he could be more like him. To the boy's surprise, he finds out that Jake is afraid of something that Alex himself isn't afraid of: spiders.
- Youth Fic Kinney, Jeff **Diary of a Wimpy Kid** Grade 5-8
 Greg Heffley is thrust into middle school where undersized weaklings share the hallways with kids who are taller, meaner, and already shaving. The hazards of growing up are uniquely revealed through words and drawings as Greg records them in his diary
- Youth Fic Kline, Suzy **Herbie Jones** Grade 3-5
 A funny, true-to-life story of Herbie and his friend Raymond who strive to get out of "Apples," the lowest reading group in third grade.

- Youth Fic Kline, Suzy **Horrible Harry Cracks the Code** Grade 2-4
Harry tries to solve the mystery of the special set of numbers the school cook uses to determine which positions in the lunch line will win the daily prizes in the cafeteria's February fun program.
- Youth Fic Lewis, C. S. **The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe** Grade 3-6
When Peter, Susan, Edmund, and Lucy are sent to stay with a kind Professor who lives in the country, they can hardly imagine the extraordinary adventure that awaits them.
- Youth Fic Lowry, Lois **All About Sam** Grade 3-6
The adventures of Anastasia Krupnik's younger brother Sam, from his first days as a newborn through his mischievous times as a toddler.
- Youth Fic Lupica, Mike **Travel Team** Grade 5-8
Twelve year-old Danny Walker, the smallest kid on the basketball court is cut from the very travel team his father led to national prominence as a boy.
- Youth Fic McKay, Hilary **Dog Friday** Grade 4-6
Robin Brogan goes from being afraid of dogs after one attacks him, to befriending a stray dog that he hopes to keep. At the same time, Robin's quiet life with his mother is disrupted by the hilarious family who moves in next door.
- Youth Fic Morpurgo, Michael **Waiting for Anya** Grade 5-8
In Vichy, France, during World War II a young shepherd becomes involved in smuggling Jewish children across the border from his mountain village to Spain.
- Newbery Naylor, Phyllis R. **Shiloh** Grade 3-6
When he finds a beagle in the hills behind his West Virginia home, Marty tries to hide it from his family and the dog's real owner, a mean-spirited man known to mistreat his dogs.
- Youth Fic Nimmo, Jenny **Midnight for Charlie Bone** Grade 4-6
Charlie doesn't want to believe it when he discovers that he can hear the thoughts of people in photographs. Book One in The Children of the Red King series.
- Newbery Park, Linda Sue **A Single Shard** Grade 5-9
Tree-ear, a thirteen-year-old orphan in medieval Korea, lives under a bridge in a potters' village, and longs to learn how to throw the delicate celadon ceramics himself.

- Youth Fic Paterson, Katherine **Jip: His Story** Grade 5-7
While living on a Vermont poor farm during 1855-56, Jip learns his identity and that of his mother and comes to understand how he arrived there.
- Newbery Paulsen, Gary **Hatchet** Grade 5-7
After a plane crash, thirteen-year-old Brian spends 54 days in the wilderness, learning to survive with only the aid of a hatchet.
- Youth Fic Peck, Robert Newton **Soup** Grade 3-6
The adventures and misadventures of two boys growing up in a small Vermont town.
- Youth Fic Pilkey, Dav **Adventures of Captain Underpants** Grade 3-6
When George and Harold hypnotize their principal into thinking he is the superhero Captain Underpants, he leads them to the lair of the nefarious Dr. Diaper where they must defeat his evil robot henchmen.
- Youth Fic Rockwell, Thomas **How to Eat Fried Worms** Grade 3-5
Two boys set out to prove that worms can make a delicious meal.
- Youth Fic Rowling, J.K. **Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone** Grade 4 +
A young boy with a great destiny proves his worth while attending Hogwats School for Wizards and Witches.
- Newbery Sachar, Louis **Holes** Grade 5-8
Stanley Yelnats is unjustly sent to a awful correctional camp in the Texas desert where he finds his first real friend, a treasure, and a new sense of himself.
- Youth Fic Sachar, Louis **There's a Boy in the Girl's Bathroom** Grade 4-7
An unmanageable but loveable eleven-year-old misfit learns to believe in himself when he gets to know the new school counselor who is a misfit too.
- Youth Fic Sachar, Louis **Sideways stories from Wayside School** Grade 2-4
Humorous episodes from the classroom on the thirtieth floor of Wayside School, which was accidentally built sideways with one classroom on each story.
- Youth Fic Scieszka, Jon **Knights of the Kitchen Table** Grade 2-5
Three boys use a magical book to travel back in time and confront a knight, a giant and a dragon.

- Youth Fic Sobol, Donald **Encyclopedia Brown** Grade 4-6
 In this series of books, America's Sherlock Holmes in sneakers continues his war on crime.
- Youth Fic Spinelli, Jerry **Loser** Grade3-6
 No matter what the game, Zinkoff never wins. The kids have their own word to describe him, but Zinkoff is too busy to hear it.
- Youth Fic Stauffacher, Sue **Donuthead** Grade 3-6
 Narrator Franklin Delano Donuthead deals with all the normal pressures of fifth grade, as well as a fairly advanced case of obsessive-compulsive disorder and a most unfortunate name.
- Newbery White, Ruth **Belle Prater's Boy** Grade 5-7
 When Woodrow's mother suddenly disappears, he moves to his grandparents' home in a small Virginia town and befriends his cousin. Together they face the terrible losses and fears in their lives.

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