

Mystery and Detective Books

- Youth Fic Abrahams, Peter **Behind the Curtain** Grade 4 - 6
An avid Sherlock Holmes fan, eighth grader Ingrid Levin-Hill is kidnapped while investigating mysterious happenings in her home town. **Series**
- Youth Reader Adler, David **Bones and the Birthday Mystery** Grade 1 - 3
Bones and his parents got Grandpa a special birthday present, but by the time they make it to his party, the gift is gone. How could it have disappeared? Will detective Jeffery Bones be able to solve the mystery?
- Youth Fic Adler, David **Cam Jansen & the Chocolate Fudge Mystery** Grade 2 - 4
When Cam and her friend discover a mystery while selling fudge door-to-door, Cam uses her photographic memory to foil the crime. **Series**
- Youth Fic Allen, Linda **When Grandfather's Parrot Inherited Kennington Court** Grade 3 - 4
Relatives are angry that grandfather's will left his entire inheritance to his parrot until young Miranda makes a discovery which settles everything.
- Youth Fic Allison, Jennifer **Gilda Joyce: Psychic Detective** Grade 5 - 8
During the summer before ninth grade, intrepid Gilda Joyce invites herself to the San Francisco mansion of distant cousin Lester Splinter and his thirteen-year-old daughter, where she uses her purported psychic abilities and detective skills to solve the mystery of the mansion's boarded-up tower. **Series**
- Youth Fic Anderson, Janet **The Last Treasure** Grade 5 - 9
Thirteen-year-old Ellsworth leaves his father to visit the relatives he has never met and eventually joins forces with Jess, his distant cousin, to uncover family secrets and search for their ancestor's hidden treasure.
- Youth Fic Anderson, M.T. **The Clue of the Linoleum Lederhosen** Grade 5- 6
Looking forward to a vacation, Katie, Lily, and Jasper attach their flying Gyroscopic Sky Suite to the Moose Tongue Lodge and Resort, where they mingle with other child heroes found in books, and where they become embroiled in a mystery involving lederhosen-clothed quintuplets and a screaming ventriloquist.
- Youth Fic Avi **Windcatcher** Grade 5 - 9
During a visit to the Connecticut shore, eleven year old Tony becomes excited about rumors of a sunken treasure and starts following a couple who is making a mysterious search for something.

- Newbery Babbitt, Natalie **Kneeknock Rise** Grade 3 - 5
Everyone in the village is afraid of the creature who supposedly lives at Kneeknock Rise but Egan decides to investigate for himself.
- Youth Fic Bailey, Linda **How Can I Be A Detective if I Have to Baby-sit?** Grade 5 - 8
While staying with her father at a Canadian tree-planting camp, twelve-year-old Stevie discovers she can combine babysitting with detective work.
- Youth Fic Bailey, Linda **How Come the Best Clues are Always in the Garbage** Grade 5 - 8
Sixth grader Stephanie sets off to find the thief of her mom's Garbage Buster's project money.
- Youth Fic Balliett, Blue **Chasing Vermeer** Grade 4 - 6
When seemingly unrelated and strange events start to happen and a precious Vermeer painting disappears, eleven-year-olds Petra and Calder combine their talents to solve an international art scandal.
- Youth Fic Banscherus, Jurgen **Clues in the Car Wash** Grade 3 - 5
Olga hires fifth-grade detective Klooz to find out how her precious car got scratched at the car wash on Main Street. **Series**
- Youth Fic Bauer, Marion Dane **Blue Ghost** Grade 2 - 4
At her grandmother's log cabin, nine-year-old Liz is led to make contact with children she believes may be her ancestors.
- Youth Pbk Bellairs, John **The House with a Clock in its Walls** Grade 5 - 7
A boy goes to live with his magician uncle in a mansion that has a clock hidden in the walls which is ticking off the minutes until doomsday.
- Youth Fic Buckley, Michael **The Sisters Grimm, book one: fairy tale detectives** Grade 4 - 6
After their parents disappear, sisters Daphne and Sabrina Grimm are placed with a grandmother they have never heard about. Sabrina, the eldest, is highly suspicious; why didn't their parents mention Granny Relda? Relda reveals the truth: the Grimms are descended from the famous storytelling brothers, and Ferryport Landing is a magical town, populated with "Everafters," characters straight from fairy tales. After Relda goes missing, it's up to the girls, and their new magical friends, to rescue her and stop a corrupt politician--a well-cast Prince Charming. **Series**
- Youth Fic Bulla, Clyde **Marco Moonlight** Grade 4 - 6
Thirteen-year-old Marco's vague memories of a brother take on reality in a terrifying way.
- Youth Fic Byars, Betsy **King of Murder** Grade 4 - 6
Super-sleuth Herculeah Jones meets a murder mystery writer, and has the uneasy feeling that he knows more about murder than he should. **Series**

- Youth Fic Cameron, Ann **Julian, Secret Agent** Grade 4 - 6
When Julian, his little brother and their friend decide to become "crime busters" they find themselves in one adventure after another.
- Youth Fic Christian, Mary **Sebastian (Super Sleuth) and the Flying Elephant** Grade 2 - 4
Detective John Quincy Jones and his dog come to the rescue of a missing circus elephant.
- Youth Fic Christopher, Matt **Hockey Machine** Grade 3 - 5
Abducted by a "fan" and forced to become a member of a professional junior hockey team, thirteen-year-old star center Steve realizes that he must play not only to win, but to survive.
- Youth Fic Christopher, Matt **Skateboard Tough** Grade 4 - 6
When Brett's skateboarding ability dramatically improves after using a skateboard unearthed from his front yard, his friends wonder if the skateboard is haunted.
- Youth Fic Clements, Andrew **Room One: A Mystery or Two** Grade 3 - 5
Ted Hammond, the only sixth grader in his small Nebraska town's one-room schoolhouse, searches for clues to the disappearance of a homeless family.
- Youth Fic Clifford, Eth **Flatfoot Fox and the Case of the Bashful Beaver** Grade 2 - 3
Flatfoot Fox allows his assistant Secretary Bird to try and solve the case of who stole Bashful Beaver's buttons.
- Youth Fic Climo, Shirley **Gopher, Tanker and the Admiral** Grade 4 - 6
A boy and his dog accept a summer job as companions to an old man and become involved in solving neighborhood burglaries.
- Youth Fic Curtis, Christopher Paul **Mr. Chickee's Funny Money** Grade 3 - 5
Flint Future Detective Club members Steven Carter, his friend Russell, and Russell's huge dog Zoopy solve the mystery of a quadrillion-dollar bill with the image of James Brown on it.
- Youth Fic DeClements, Barthe **Wake Me At Midnight** Grade 4 - 6
When strange noises awaken Caitlin and she can't tell who is digging in her neighbor's backyard, she must decide if she should investigate.
- Youth Fic DeFelice, Cynthia **The Light on Hogback Hill** Grade 4 - 6
When she investigates a mysterious light, eleven-year-old Hadley finds and befriends an old woman with a tragic past.
- Youth Fic Dixon, Franklin **Crisscross Shadow** Grade 4 - 6
The Hardy Boys find a missing deed to Indian land to prevent fraud.
Series

- Youth Fic Erickson, John **Hank the Cowdog: Let Sleeping Dogs Lie** Grade 4 - 6
Hank the cowdog, head of ranch security, pursues an elusive chicken murderer. **Series**
- Youth Fic Fleischman, Sid **Jim Ugly** Grade 4 - 8
The adventures of twelve-year-old Jake and Jim Ugly, his part-mongrel, part-wolf dog as they travel through the Old West.
- Youth Fic Giff, Patricia **Have You Seen Hyacinth Macaw** Grade 4 - 6
Abby and Potsie work on several mysteries: a mysterious new neighbor, a missing person, and the unusual actions of Abby's brother.
- Youth Fic Giff, Patricia Reilly **Kidnap at the Catfish Café** Grade 4 - 6
Assisted by her cat Max, sixth grader Minnie starts up her new detective agency by investigating a kidnapping and a thief who will steal anything, even a hot stove.
- Youth Fic Gilson, Jamie **Soccer Circus** Grade 6 +
Hobie Hanson and his friends get caught up in a mystery buff's efforts to solve a fictitious case.
- Youth Fic Gorman, Carol **Jennifer-the-Jerk is Missing** Grade 5 - 7
Thirteen-year-old Amy doesn't know if she should believe frequent liar eight-year-old Malcolm when he tells her he witnessed a kidnapping.
- Youth Fic Hahn, Mary **Dead Man in Indian Creek** Grade 3 - 6
When Matt and Parker learn of a drug-related death, they fear Parker's mother may be involved.
- Youth Fic Hale, Bruce **Farewell, My Lunchbag: From the Tattered Casebook of Chet Gecko, Private Eye** Grade 3 - 6
When fourth-grade private eye Chet Gecko is called to catch someone who is stealing food from the school cafeteria, he finds himself framed for the crime.
- Youth Fic Hall, Lynn **Murder at the Spaniel Show** Grade 5 - 8
Sixteen-year-old Tabby seeks to find a connection between her boss, a blind dog breeder, and sinister death threats to a judge.
- Youth Fic Hall, Lynn **Mystery of Pony Hollow Panda** Grade 3 - 5
When her pony disappears, Sara follows the clues to unravel the mystery.
- Youth Fic Hamilton, Virginia **House of Dies Drear** Grade 6 - 8
A boy moves into a house supposedly haunted which is used as a station for the underground rail road.
- Youth Fic Hicks, Clifford **Alvin Fernald TV Anchorman** Grade 4 - 6
When Alvin takes a spot on a regular news show, he helps solve an eleven-year-old crime.

- Youth Fic Hicks, Clifford **Alvin's Swap Shop** Grade 5 - 7
While running a swap shop a group of youngsters become involved in the mystery of a sunken ship.
- Youth Fic Hildick, E.W. **Case of the Fantastic Footprints** Grade 4 - 6
McGurk and his team of detectives investigate the strange footprints that have begun to appear in wet cement all over the neighborhood.
- Youth Fic Holl, Kristi **Haunting of Cabin 13** Grade 4 - 6
Camping in a park that may be haunted by someone posing as the ghost of a dead girl, thirteen-year-old Laurie vows to get to the bottom of the mystery.
- Youth Fic Howe, Deborah **Bunnacula** Grade 4 - 6
Through scoffed at by the dog, Chester the cat tries to warn his human family that their foundling baby bunny must be a vampire.
- Youth Fic Howe, James **Eat Your Poison, Dear** Grade 5 - 7
Young sleuth Sebastian and the three friends probe the mystery of a poisoning in their school cafeteria.
- Youth Fic Howe, James **Return to Howliday Inn** Grade 4 - 6
The Monroe family pets are boarded at Chateau Bow-Wow where spooky goings-on serve as a distraction from the kennel's poor food.
- Youth Fic Jacob, Helen **Secret of the Strawbridge Place** Grade 6 +
Two friends search for the secret of an old house and one of them disappears.
- Youth Fic Jones, Elizabeth **Watcher in the Piney Woods** Grade 5 - 7
In 1865, while helping her family keep their Virginia farm going through the end of the Civil War, twelve-year-old Cassie meets a Confederate deserter and a Yankee prisoner of war and tries to discover who has been stealing from the farm.
- Youth Fic Keene, Carolyn **Bungalow Mystery** Grade 4 - 6
Nancy Drew helps a newly orphaned young woman whose "guardians" seem to behave strangely.
- Youth Fic Keene, Carolyn **Clue in the Jewel Box** Grade 4 - 6
Nancy and her friends help a woman search for her missing grandson.
- Youth Fic Keane, Dave **Haunted Toolshed** Grade 3 - 5
Who took the cake . . . and the mailbox, too? Strange and unexplained things are happening on Baker Street after dark, and Joe Sherlock must come face-to-face with the things that go bump in the night. Even though a cold tingle of terror gallops down his spine like a herd of wild gophers, Joe is determined to solve the case -- and have his bundt cake, too.

- Youth Fic Klise, Kate **Letters From Camp** Grade 3 - 6
Sent to Camp Happy harmony to learn to get along with each other, pairs of brothers and sisters chronicle in letters home how they come to suspect the intentions of the singing family running the camp.
- Youth Fic Klise, Kate **Regarding the Bathrooms: a privy to the past** Grade 4 - 6
In this novel told through letters, newspaper articles, and police reports, a middle school principal's bathroom renovation project leads to the discovery of stolen Roman antiquities. **Series**
- Youth Fic Levine, Caroline **Detective Stars and the Case of the Super Soccer Team** Grade 2 - 5
Young detectives are asked to find out how the worst soccer team has been able to make the finals.
- Youth Fic Levy, Elizabeth **A Mammoth Mix-up** Grade 3 - 5
Brian and his younger sister become involved in a mystery at the science museum where they are working on a woolly mammoth display for the science fair.
- Youth Fic Mack, Tracy **Fall of the Amazing Zalindas** Grade 4 - 6
Few know Sherlock Holmes was assisted by a band of devoted boys--street urchins who loved to solve mysteries--called the Baker Street Irregulars. In this exciting tale, Wiggins, Ozzie, Simon, and the rest--with the aid of Pilar, a gypsy girl--help Sherlock Holmes solve the case of the deaths of the Amazing Zalindas.
- Youth Fic Markham, Marrion **St. Patrick's Day Shamrock Mystery** Grade 3 - 5
On St. Patrick's day, the twin Dixon sleuths become involved in a mystery unfolding right next door.
- Youth Fic Monsell, Mary **Spy Who Came North from the Pole** Grade 3 - 5
Mr. Pin, a penguin detective in Chicago, investigates two cases involving gargoyles and baseball.
- Youth Fic Napoli, Donna Jo **Sly and the Sleuth and the Food Mysteries** Grade 2 - 4
In the first case, Sly must discern why there is a cache of junk food in the bushes and uncover the reason behind her pesky neighbor Brian's fish-breath. In the second, Sly is hired by Kate to determine why Princess is sabotaging her cooking club by bringing all the wrong food. Jack hires her, in the third case, to uncover the mystery behind his disappearing oranges. Throughout the story, readers learn about some disagreeable health food, the danger of arsenic in seeds and food allergies. **Series**
- Youth Fic Naylor, Phillis R. **Bodies in the Bessedorf Hotel** Grade 4 - 6
Dead bodies which appear and disappear mysteriously are threatening to lose Sam's father his job as hotel manager.

- Youth Fic Pearson, Susan **The Bogeyman Caper** Grade 3 - 4
When the kids at school tell her that an old house is haunted by a bogeyman, Ernie uses her "eagle eyes" to prove them wrong.
- Youth Fic Porte, Barbara **Fat Fanny, Beanpole Bertha and the Boys** Grade 4 - 6
When Bertha's father disappears into the Bermuda Triangle, the girls decide to teach Fanny's triplet brothers to tap-dance to raise money.
- Youth Fic Potter, Ellen **Pish Posh** Grade 4 - 6
Eleven-year-old Clara Frankofile sits in her parents' elegant New York City restaurant, Pish Posh, and passes judgment on each customer as a Somebody or a Nobody, but her all-seeing eyes fail to observe the mysterious events occurring right under her nose.
- Youth Fic Pryor, Bonnie **Twenty-four Hour Lipstick Mystery** Grade 4 - 6
To earn money for charm school, eleven-year-old Cassie works for the owner of a spooky mansion and uncovers a mystery surrounding a secret room.
- Newbery Raskin, Ellen **The Westing Game** Grade 4 - 6
An unlikely assortment of heirs must uncover the circumstances of a millionaire's death before they can claim their inheritance.
- Youth Fic Roberts, Willo D. **The Absolutely True Story...How I Visited Yellowstone Park** Grade 4 - 6
Twelve-year-old Lewis and his twin have a dream vacation turn into a nightmare when they are chased by two mysterious men in Yellowstone Park.
- Youth Pbk Roberts, Willo Davis **The View from the Cherry Tree** Grade 4 - 6
Rob admits having seen a murder, but no one believes him--except the murderer.
- Youth Reader Shatmat, Marjorie Weinman **Nate the Great Series** Grade 1 - 3
Series about boy detective.
- Youth Fic Shapiro, Irwin **Hungry Ghost Mystery** Grade 3 - 5
The evidence of a ghost in their house seems conclusive until two boys discover a clue in an old graveyard.
- Youth Fic Skurzynski, Gloria **Cliff-hanger** Grade 3 - 6
Twelve-year-old Jack and his younger sister visit Mesa Verde National Park where they gradually uncover the mysterious past of their family's teenage foster child Lucky.
- Youth Fic Snyder, Zilpha **Janie's Private Eye** Grade 5 +
Intent on solving a rash of dog disappearances, eight year old Janie forms a detective agency involving her friends and family into tracing clues and suspects.

- Youth Series Sobol, Donald **Encyclopedia Brown Cracks the Case** Grade 3 - 5
Encyclopedia Brown continues his war on crime in ten more cases.
Solutions in the back of the book. **Series**
- Youth Fic Springer, Nancy **Case of the Missing Marquess** Grade 3 - 5
A new series featuring Sherlock Holmes' much-younger sister Enola begins when her mother disappears. Enola is determined to find her and sets out to the heart of London. There Enola becomes involved in the kidnapping of a young marquess. **Series**
- Youth Pbk Stanley, Diane **The Mysterious Matter of I.M. Fine** Grade 4 - 6
Noticing that a popular series of horror novels is having a bizarre effect on the behavior of its readers, Franny and Beamer set out to find the mysterious author.
- Youth Fic Stevenson, Drew **Terror on Cemetery Hill** Grade 3 - 5
Super detective Sarah Capshaw links a bank robbery with a monster sighting at Cemetery Hill.
- Youth Fic Stewart, Trenton Lee **Mysterious Benedict Society** Grade 4 - 6
After passing a series of mind-bending tests, four children are selected for a secret mission that requires them to go undercover at the Learning Institute for the Very Enlightened, where the only rule is that there are no rules.
- Youth Fic Van Draanen, W. **Sammy Keyes and the Sisters of Mercy** Grade 4 - 6
Sammy continues to make life with her grandmother interesting as she tries to discover who is stealing from the church, befriends a homeless girl and plays softball against a bitter rival. **Series**
- Youth Fic Walker, Paul **The Slugger's Club** Grade 4 - 6
When baseball equipment disappears from the Little League team, BJ and his friends investigate the crime.
- Youth Series Warner, Gertrude **The Ice Cream Mystery** Grade 3 - 6
The Alden children help out at the Greenfield Ice Cream Barn and while learning to make ice cream and create new flavors, they help solve a mystery before the Barn gets shut down. **Series**
- Youth Fic Yep, Laurence **Case of the Lion Dance** Grade 4 - 6
When \$2,000 is stolen during the opening of a restaurant, Lily and her Chinese-American aunt search for the thief throughout San Francisco's Chinatown.

