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Fiction For Younger Readers

Arnold, Tedd. Dirty Gert. (069998) il. Little Gert loves to play in the dirt so much that she turns into a tree. (04-08) Holiday House 2013 L,Q,C,W (AR) \$19.49

Bond, Michael. Paddington In The Garden. (131566) Alley, R. W., il. Mr. and Mrs. Brown have given Paddington Bear something else to love at number thirty-two Windsor Gardens-his very own garden. (04-08) Harper 2015 \$20.21

Branford, Anna. Violet Mackerel's Pocket Protest. (145531) Allen, Elanna il. Violet and Rose organize a protest to save the big oak tree in Clover Park. (06-10) Atheneum 2014 B,K,L,Q (AR/RC) \$19.51

Christensen, Bonnie. Plant A Little Seed. (212239) il. Two friends plant seeds in their community garden, then water, weed, wait, and dream as the plants grow until they can be harvested. **(03-07)** Roaring Brook 2012 B,K,L,Q+,M,C,W (AR) \$20.21

Fleming, Candace. Muncha! Muncha! Muncha! (341178) After planting the garden he has dreamed of for years, Mr. McGreely tries to find a way to keep some persistent bunnies from eating all his vegetables. (03-07) Atheneum 2002 B+,K,L+,Q,C,W+ (AR/RC) \$20.21

Fogliano, Julie. And Then It's Spring. (343842) Stead, Erin E. il. Simple text reveals the anticipation of a boy who, having planted seeds while everything around is brown, fears that something has gone wrong until, at last, the world turns green. **(04-07)** Roaring Brook 2012 B+,K+,L,Q+,M+,C,W+ (AR) \$19.51

Gal, Susan. Day By Day. (363907) il. As the seasons change, the industrious pigs of Day by Day build a home, plant a garden, help their neighbors, and then gather in a harvest grown with hard work and kindness. (03-06) Knopf 2012 K+,L,Q,W (AR) \$19.51

Gonzalez, Maya Christina. Call Me Tree = Llamame Arbol. (385667) il. A bilingual poetic tale that follows one child/tree from the

depths of Mami/Earth to the heights of the sky, telling a story about being free to grow and be who we are meant to be and honoring our relationship with the natural world. In English and Spanish. (05-09) Children's Book 2014 B,K+,L \$20.19

Henkes, Kevin. My Garden. (437985) il. After helping her mother weed, water, and chase the rabbits from their garden, a young girl imagines her dream garden complete with jellybean bushes, chocolate rabbits, and tomatoes the size of beach balls. (02-07) Harper 2010 B,K+,L+,Q+,M+,C,W+ (AR/RC) \$20.21

Hillert, Margaret. Dear Dragon Grows A Garden. (029850) Schimmell, David il. A boy and his pet dragon plant a vegetable garden. They learn how to grow plants and make a salad. (04-06) Norwood House 2015 Q (AR) \$18.79

Karas, G. Brian. As An Oak Tree Grows. (507350) il. From 1775 to the present, the landscape around a lone oak tree goes through significant changes. **(05-08)** Penguin 2014 B,K,L,Q+,M,C,W \$20.21

Kooser, Ted. House Held Up By Trees. (529858) Klassen, Jon il. After a family abandons a house, the tree saplings that were mowed down by the father over the years lift the house off its foundation. **(04-10)** Candlewick 2012 B+,K,L,Q+,M,CA,W (AR) **\$19.51**

Krones, C. A. Curious George Makes Maple Syrup. (748086) il. George runs out of syrup for his Sunday morning pancakes! With the help of his friends, George learns how to turn sap from maple trees into his very own bottle of syrup. (06-08) Houghton 2014 Q (AR) \$11.72

Larsen, Andrew. In The Tree House. (543586) Petricic, Dusan il. A highly evocative story about two brothers who are growing up and the unusual summer night that brings them together in the tree house they built together. (03-07) Kids Can 2013 B,K-,L,Q (AR) \$19.49

Matthies, Janna. Goodbye Cancer Garden. (613540) Valiant, Kristi il. When a mother is diagnosed with breast cancer, she and her

















family plant a garden and watch it grow through the seasons as she undergoes treatments and gets better. (06-10) Whitman 2011 B,K,L+,Q,W (AR/RC) \$19.51 🚭 🤚

McPhail, David. Family Tree. (630905) il. In the 1800s, a man clearing land in a beautiful forest to build a home leaves one special tree, but many years later the tree is in trouble, and the man's great-great grandson enlists a host of animal friends to try to save it. (04-08) Holt 2012 B,K,L,Q,CA,W (AR) \$19.51

Minor, Wendell. How Big Could Your Pumpkin Grow? (649258) il. Playing with concepts of size and scale, giant pumpkins decorate some of America's most famous landmarks and landscapes. (03-05) Penguin 2013 B,K,L,Q,M,W \$19.51

Nelson, Kadir. If You Plant A Seed. (670491) il. While planting seeds in their garden, two animals learn the value of kindness. (04-08) Harper 2015 K,L \$20.91

Nichols, Lori. Maple. (675899) il. A natureloving little girl's favorite playmate is her maple tree, until the day she's surprised with a baby sister. (03-06) Penguin 2014 B,K+,L+,Q,W (AR) \$19.51

O'Garden, Irene. Forest, What Would You Like? (686492) Schories, Pat il. A forest details the things that would make it happy such as sun, flowers, trees, water, animals, and children rambling, climbing, and playing. (04-08) Holiday House 2013 K,Q (AR) \$19.49

Pizzoli, Greg. Watermelon Seed. (720109) il. After swallowing a watermelon seed, a crocodile imagines a scary outcome. (03-05) Hyperion 2013 K,L+,Q,C,W+ (AR) \$19.51 &

Salas, Laura Purdie. Leaf Can Be-- (774614) Dabija, Violeta il. Rhyming text and illustrations explore some of the many things a leaf can be, from tree topper to rain stopper. (03-07) Millbrook 2012 B,K,L,Q,C,W \$20.19 (CSS)

Smith, Lane. Grandpa Green. (827955) il. A child explores the ordinary life of his extraordinary great-grandfather, as expressed in his topiary garden. (05-09) Roaring Brook 2011 B,K,L,Q+,M (AR) \$19.51

Steffensmeier, Alexander. Millie And The Big Rescue. (846476) il. A game of hide and seek on the farm goes awry when Millie gets stuck in her hiding place at the top of a tree. But when the farmer and all the other animals try to help, they get stuck as well. Who will rescue Millie and her friends? (04-08) Walker 2013 K,L,Q,C (AR) \$19.51

Stein, David Ezra. Ol' Mama Squirrel. (846972) il. Ol' Mama Squirrel has raised many babies and kept them all safe from predators, but she may have met her match when a determined grizzly bear threatens to eat her entire family tree. (03-05) Penguin 2013 B,K,L,Q+,M,W+ (AR/RC) \$19.51

Stoeke, Janet Morgan. Letting Go. (855960) il. Pip, Midge, and Dot are enjoying the shade under an apple tree when fruit starts falling around them, causing the hens to suspect a fox is in the tree trying to hit them. (03-05) Dial 2013 K,L,Q+,M,W (AR/RC) \$19.51 🎝

VanDerwater, Amy Ludwig. Forest Has A Song. (905730) Gourley, Robbin il. Twentysix short, lighthearted poems about the forest and its animals, plants, and seasonal changes. (06-09) Clarion 2013 B,K,L,Q,C,W \$19.51 🎝

Verburg, Bonnie. Tree House That Jack Built. (907482) Teague, Mark il. With ladders, swings, turrets, and elaborate pulley systems everywhere--animals chase one another over, under, around, and through the tree house that Jack has built. Then the bell rings, and all the animals gather for story time with Jack. (03-06) Scholastic 2014 B+,K,L,Q+,M,W (AR) \$20.21

Wood, Douglas. Aunt Mary's (962342) Pham, LeUyen il. While helping tend his great-aunt's rose bush, Douglas learns about family members who have done the same and realizes each is still part of the bush. (04-07) Candlewick 2010 B,K,L,Q (AR) \$19.51

Wortche, Allison. Rosie Sprout's Time To Shine. (966598) Barton, Patrice il. Rosie's rival, Violet, outdoes her in everything until the class plants seeds for a unit on gardening. (05-09) Knopf 2011 K,L,Q,W+ (AR) \$20.21 🚭 👆

Zoehfeld, Kathleen Weidner. Secrets Of The **Garden: Food Chains And The Food Web In** Our Backyard. (983548) Lamont, Priscilla il. Depicts a family of four who make their garden their summer home as they prepare the soil, plant seeds, water the garden, and watch for a harvest of vegetables. (05-09) Knopf 2012 B,K+,L+,Q+,M,W (AR) \$19.51 🐯 🞝

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Fiction For Older Readers

De Fombelle, Timothee. Toby And The Secrets Of The Tree. (265716) Place, Francois il. Toby's world is under greater threat as Leo Blue hunts anyone standing in the way of his plans for the oak tree. (09-13) Candlewick 2010 K,L,Q (AR/RC) \$19.51 😅



















Mackey, Heather. Dreamwood. (594962) 12-year-old Lucy Darrington goes on a quest to find her missing father in a remote, magical territory in the Pacific Northwest. (10-14) Putnam 2014 B,K+,L,Q,C (AR) \$19.51

Muten, Burleigh. Miss Emily. (665723) Phelan, Matt il. When an invitation to join Miss Emily in the garden appears, Mattie, Ned, Sally, and Mac know they're in for some fun because Miss Emily--Emily Dickinson to the rest of us-always has a surprise in store for her young friends. (08-12) Candlewick 2014 B,K,L,Q,CA (AR/RC) \$18.81

Oz, Amos. Suddenly In The Depths Of The Forest. (694980) In a grey, gloomy village, all the animals have disappeared. An old fisherman, a ridiculed teacher and two children try to unravel the mystery of where the animals have gone. (10-14) Harcourt 2011 B,K,L,Q+,M,CA,W (AR/RC) \$18.81

Rocklin, Joanne. One Day And One Amazing Morning On Orange Street. (761270) il. The last remaining orange tree on a Southern California street brings together neighbors of all ages as they face their problems and anxieties, including the possibility that a mysterious stranger is a threat to their tree. (08-12) Amulet 2011 B,K+,L+,Q+,M,C,W (AR/RC) \$19.49

Salten, Felix. Bambi: A Life In The Woods. (774902) Johnson, Steve il. Bambi lives in a thicket in the forest, surrounded by animals who wish him well. But his happy life can only last so long because the dangers within the forest are about to make themselves known. **(10-14)** Atheneum 2014 Q \$28.61

Schrefer, Eliot. Threatened. (789865) Luc is an orphan, living in debt slavery in Gabon, until he meets a Professor who claims to be studying chimpanzees, and they head off into the jungle-but when the Professor disappears, Luc has to fend for himself and join forces with the chimps to save their forest. **(12-16)** Scholastic 2014 B,L,Q+,M,C (AR/RC) \$20.21

Standiford, Natalie. Secret Tree. (843539) Minty discovers a tree in the woods of her neighborhood that holds everyone's secrets, prompting her and new kid, Raymond, to fix a curse and solve some mysteries. (09-12) Scholastic 2012 B,K,L,Q,W+ (AR/RC) \$19.51

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Nonfiction For Younger Readers

Ancona, George. It's Our Garden: From Seeds To Harvest In A School Garden. (057944) il. Visit this lively, flourishing school-and-community garden and be inspired to cultivate your own. (05-08) Candlewick 2013 B,K,L,Q+,M,W (AR/RC) \$19.51

Codell, Esme Raji. Seed By Seed: The Legend And Legacy Of John "Appleseed" Chapman. (225362) Perkins, Lynne Rae il. A picture book about the life of Johnny Appleseed and why the life and lessons of John Appleseed are relevant to kids today. (03-08) Greenwillow 2012 B,K,L,Q+,M,W+ (AR/RC) \$19.51

Galbraith, Kathryn Osebold. Planting The Wild Garden. (364028) Halperin, Wendy Anderson il. Demonstrates the many ways seeds are distributed--by weather, water, people, animals, and the plants themselves. (04-08) Peachtree 2011 B,K,L,Q,W+ (AR/RC) \$18.79

Gerber, Carole. Spring Blossoms. (375570) Evans, Leslie il. Two children take a springtime stroll through a forest of blossoming trees. Along the way, they learn about the different kinds of flowers found on trees. (04-07) Charlesbridge 2013 B,K,L,Q (AR/RC) \$19.49 ♣

Gray, Rita. Flowers Are Calling. (394343) Pak, Kenard il. Explores the wonders of natural cooperation between plants, animals and insects, as they each play their part in the forest's cycle of life. (04-08) Houghton 2015 K,W (AR) \$19.51

Grigsby, Susan. First Peas To The Table: How Thomas Jefferson Inspired A School Garden. (402474) Tadgell, Nicole il. Maya and other students in Ms. Hopkins class study techniques used by Thomas Jefferson as they grow pea plants. (06-09) Whitman 2012 B,K,L,Q (AR/RC) \$19.51

Hoffman, Mary Ann. Watch Apple Trees Grow. (613331) il. An introduction to apple trees--from their beginnings as seeds to the fruit they produce. (05-08) Gareth Stevens 2011 L (AR) \$23.44

Hopkins, H. Joseph. Tree Lady: The True Story Of How One Tree-Loving Woman Changed A City Forever. (463344) McElmurry, Jill il. The moving true story of Kate Sessions, who helped San Diego grow from a dry desert town into a lush, leafy city known for its gorgeous parks and gardens. (05-09) Beach Lane 2013 B+,K,L+,Q+,M,C,W (AR/RC) \$20.21

















Johnston, Tony. Sequoia. (497309) Minor, Wendell il. The story of the giant sequoia tree of California. (03-08) Roaring Brook 2014 B,K,L,Q,W (AR) \$20.21

Kohuth, Jane. Anne Frank's Chestnut Tree. (528080) Sayles, Elizabeth il. Hidden away in Amsterdam during World War II, Anne Frank and her family could not breathe fresh air or see the blue sky for years. But through an attic window Anne could see the branches of a small chestnut tree. (05-08) Random 2013 B,K,L,Q+,M,C (AR/RC) \$16.71

Kostecki-Shaw, Jenny Sue. Luna & Me:The True Story Of A Girl Who Lived in A Tree To Save A Forest. (530138) il. Social activism combines with environmentalism in this picture book bio of Julia Butterfly Hill and Luna, the thousand-year-old redwood tree whose life she saved. (06-09) Holt 2015 K,L,W \$20.91

Kugler, Tina. In Mary's Garden. (534097) il. In this picture book biography of Mary Nohl, we meet the artist as a young girl, just discovering her talent, and watch as her front yard sculpture garden comes to life. (06-09) Houghton 2015 B,K,L,M,C,W \$19.51

Lewin, Ted. Can You See Me? (568348) il. Invites readers to explore animal camouflage in the rain forest. (04-08) Holiday House 2014 B,K,L,Q \$18.09

Lyon, George Ella. What Forest Knows. (591366) Hall, August il. Follows the changing seasons in a forest as trees and animals are nourished and are dependent on each other. **(04-08)** Atheneum 2014 B,K,L,Q,W \$20.21

Matheson, Christie. Tap The Magic Tree. (612445) il. Invites the reader to tap, rub, touch, and wiggle illustrations to make an apple tree bloom, produce fruit, and lose its leaves. (04-08) Greenwillow 2013 B,K,L,Q+,M,W \$18.81

Matteson, George. Christmas Tugboat: How The Rockefeller Center Christmas Tree Came To New York City. (613339) Ransome, James il. A New York Harbor tugboat captain and his family take the tug up the Hudson River to pick up and tow the barge carrying the enormous Christmas tree that will be displayed at Rockefeller Center. (07-10) Clarion 2012 K,L,Q+,M,W+ (AR/RC) \$19.51

Messner, Kate. Up In The Garden And Down In The Dirt. (639793) Neal, Christopher Silas il. Up in the garden, the world is full of green--leaves and sprouts, growing vegetables, ripening fruit. But down in the dirt there is a

busy world of earthworms digging, snakes hunting, skunks burrowing, and all the other animals that make a garden their home. (05-08) Chronicle 2015 L_rM \$19.51

Nelson, Robin. From Kernel To Corn. (670311) il. How does a corn seed become corn on the cob? Follow each step in nature's cycle--from planting to picking and eating. (05-08) Lerner 2012 (AR/RC) \$24.37

Pallotta, Jerry. Who Will Plant A Tree? (697308) Leonard, Thomas il. Young readers learn how seeds are dispersed in nature. (03-07) Sleeping Bear Press 2010 B,L,Q (AR) \$18.79

Reid, Barbara. Picture A Tree. (744997) il. Explores in words and pictures different ways of seeing and experiencing trees. (04-07) Whitman 2013 B+,K+,L,M+ \$19.51

Rockwell, Lizzy. Plants Feed Me. (761468) il. A science book about the parts of plants that humans find delicious. (03-06) Holiday House 2014 B,K,L,Q,W (AR) \$19.49

Roop, Connie. Extreme Survivors. (763089) il. Up high, down low, in freezing temperatures, and in boiling hot places--animals and plants can survive in the most extreme environments! (05-08) Sterling 2014 B,K,L,Q (AR) \$14.90

Roth, Susan L. Mangrove Tree: Planting Trees To Feed Families. (767469) il. The transformation in Eritrea when Dr. Gordon Sato, a Japanese American cell biologist, plants mangrove trees. (06-11) Lee & Low 2011 B,K,L,Q,W+ (AR/RC) \$21.59

Salas, Laura Purdie. Leaf Can Be-- (774614)
Dabija, Violeta il. Rhyming text and illustrations
explore some of the many things a leaf can
be, from tree topper to rain stopper. (03-07)
Millbrook 2012 B,K,L,Q,C,W \$20.19

Sayre, April Pulley. Let's Go Nuts!: Seeds We Eat. (781171) il. What do nuts, beans, grains, and even some spices have in common? They're all seeds--seeds we can eat. (04-08) Beach Lane 2013 B,K,L,Q \$19.51

Sayre, April Pulley. Rah, Rah, Radishes!: A Vegetable Chant. (781172) il. Veggies take the stage in this ode to healthy eating. (03-07) Beach Lane 2011 B,K+,L+,Q,CA,W \$18.81

Sayre, April Pulley. Go, Go, Grapes!: A Fruit Chant. (781218) il. Fruit takes the stage in this joyful ode to healthy eating. (03-07) Beach Lane 2012 B,K,L,Q \$19.51

Sill, Cathryn P. About Habitats: Forests. (817246) Sill, John il. Explores the major



attributes of the forest biome and showcases its striking beauty and remarkable diversity. (03-07) Peachtree 2014 B,K,L,Q \$19.49

Simon, Seymour. Tropical Rainforests. (821502) il. Provides an introduction to the tropical rainforests from the canopy to the forest floor. (05-09) Harper 2010 B,K,L,Q (AR/RC) \$19.51

Ward, Jennifer. Busy Tree. (919962) Falkenstern, Lisa il. Many different types of wildlife live in and around a tree that is their home, from chipmunks and woodpeckers to ants and spiders. (05-08) Cavendish 2009 B,K,L,Q (AR) \$20.21

Zimmerman, Andrea Griffing. Eliza's Cherry Trees: Japan's Gift To America. (982331) Chen, Ju-Hong il. The fight to bring beauty to America's capital. (05-08) Pelican 2011 B,L (AR/RC) \$19.51

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Nonfiction For Older Readers

Arlon, Penelope. Rainforest. (068312) il. A comprehensive reference book all about rainforests, including the tribes, animals, and plant life that inhabit them. (07-10) Scholastic 2013 B,L,Q (AR) \$16.71

Bolden, Tonya. George Washington Carver. (130474) il. A biography of George Washington Carver based on an exhibition at the Field Museum, Chicago. (08-12) Abrams 2008 B+,K+,L+,Q,C (AR/RC) \$21.59

Brimner, Larry Dane. Strike!: The Farm Workers' Fight For Their Rights. (151828) il. Oral histories, FBI files, personal diaries, letters, and newspapers tell the dramatic story of the Delano grape strike and the rise (and fall) of Cesar Chavez and the United Farm Workers of America. (10-14) Calkins Creek 2014 B+,K+,L+,Q+,M,C (AR/RC) \$19.49

Cornell, Kari A. Nitty-Gritty Gardening Book: Fun Projects For All Seasons. (244063) Larson, Jennifer S. il. Accessible projects for budding gardeners, whether or not you have a yard with a garden. (09-13) Millbrook 2015 B,K,L \$26.28

Frydenborg, Kay. Chocolate: Sweet Science And Dark Secrets Of The World's Favorite Treat. (361180) il. An engrossing account for teen readers that captures the history, science, and economic and cultural implications of the harvesting of cacao and creation of chocolate. (12-16) Houghton 2015 B,K,L+,CA,W (AR) \$20.91

Goldish, Meish. Smokejumpers. (384459) il. When fire hits the remote forest, specially trained firefighters leap out of a plane into the forest and get to work battling the giant fire. (08-11) Bearport 2014 L,Q (AR/RC) \$21.59

Gould, Margee. Prickly Plants. (389430) il. Profiles four of the world's prickliest plants, including how the prickliness works as a defense and what people should do if they have an unfortunate encounter with one of these stingers. (07-10) PowerKids 2012 L (AR) \$22.50

Mason, Adrienne. Planet Ark: Preserving Earth's Biodiversity. (610514) Thompson, Margot il. Uses the metaphor of an ark to explain why biodiversity is important to the survival of living things, including us. (08-12) Kids Can 2013 B,K,L,Q,W+ (AR) \$20.89 ♣

Silvey, Anita. Plant Hunters: True Stories Of Their Daring Adventures To The Far Corners Of The Earth. (819632) il. Introduces us to the nineteenth-century plant hunters whose discoveries became the basis for the development of botany. (08-12) Farrar 2012 B,K,L,Q,CA (AR/RC) \$21.61

Sobol, Richard. Life Of Rice: From Seedling To Supper. (833858) il. A journey to Thailand to explore the life of rice: from the beginning to the hard work of harvesting and finally ending with a delicious dinner. (08-12) Candlewick 2010 B,K,L,Q,C,W (AR/RC) \$20.21

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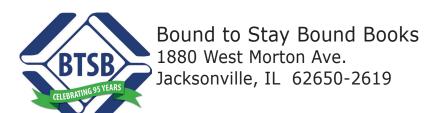
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