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Buitrago, Jairo

169798 *Two White Rabbits*. A young child describes what it is like to be one of the many thousands of migrants from Mexico and Central America traveling north toward the US border. il. Yockteng, Rafael. [IL 4-7] 49 pages Groundwood E. **B,C,K+,L+,Q** (AR/RC) **21.19**

Cousins, Lucy

245939 *Maisy Goes To London*. Join Maisy and friends on a whirlwind tour of the big city of London. **Maisy First Experiences Book**. il. [IL 2-5] 27 pages Candlewick E. **K,Q** **19.11**

Davies, Nicola

261468 *Lion Who Stole My Arm*. After a lion takes his arm off, Pedru worries that he'll always be the crippled boy. A heart-pounding adventure with an important message about conservation. il. Wright, Annabel. [IL 7-10] 88 pages Candlewick Fic. **B,C+,K,L,M,Q+,W** (AR/RC) **18.41**

Falconer, Ian

321089 *Olivia Goes To Venice*. On a family vacation in Venice, Olivia indulges in gelato, rides in a gondola, and finds the perfect souvenir. il. [IL 3-7] 41 pages Atheneum E. **B,L,Q** (AR/RC) **20.51**

Jones, Kelly (Kelly Anne)

723354 *Unusual Chickens For The Exceptional Poultry Farmer*. Through a series of letters, Sophie Brown, age twelve, tells of her family's move to her Great Uncle Jim's farm, where she begins taking care of some unusual chickens with help from neighbors and friends. il. Kath, Katie [IL 6-8] 45 pages Simon Fic. **K,Q** (AR/RC) **20.51**

Manushkin, Fran

602141 *Katie's Spooky Sleepover*. Katie's friends have come for a sleepover, and telling a scary story seems like a good idea--until she has a dream about a monster under her bed, and she wakes up to find her lucky kimono missing. **Katie Woo**. il. Lyon, Tammie. [IL 5-8] 24 pages Picture Window E. **Q** (AR) **18.36**

Marshall, Linda Elovitz

605458 *Rainbow Weaver = Tejedora Del Arcoiris*. Ixchel, a young Mayan girl who is not allowed to use her mother's thread to weave, exercises her ingenuity and repurposes plastic bags to create colorful weavings. In English and Spanish. il. Chavarri, Elisa. [IL 6-9] 34 pages Lee & Low E. **B,K,L,Q,W** **21.19**

Meshon, Aaron

639636 *Take Me Out To The Yakyu*. A little boy's grandfathers, one in America and one in Japan, teach him about baseball and its rich, varying cultural traditions. il. [IL 2-6] 39 pages Atheneum E. **B+,C,K+,L+,M,Q+,W+** (AR/RC) **19.81**

Mora, Pat

657932 *Beautiful Lady: Our Lady Of Guadalupe*. Grandma Lupita tells her granddaughter Rose and Rose's friend Terry the story of Our Lady of Guadalupe, a miracle that occurred near Mexico City in 1531. il. Johnson, Steve. [IL 5-8] 33 pages Knopf E. **B,K,L,Q** (AR/RC) **19.81**

O'Brien, Anne Sibley

684905 *I'm New Here*. Three children from other countries (Somalia, Guatemala, and Korea) struggle to adjust to their new home and school in the United States. il. [IL 5-8] 32 pages Charlesbridge E. **B,K+,L,Q** (RC) **19.79**

Turk, Evan

893718 *Storyteller*. In a time of drought in the Kingdom of Morocco, a storyteller and a boy weave a tale to thwart a Djinn and his sandstorm from destroying their city. il. [IL 4-8] 44 pages Atheneum E. **C,K+,L+,Q,W+** (AR/RC) **21.21**

Watts, Jeri Hanel

924215 *Piece Of Home*. When Hee Jun's family moves from Korea to West Virginia, he struggles to adjust to his new home. A child-friendly story about the trials and triumphs of starting over and making new friends. il. Yum, Hyewon. [IL 5-8] 32 pages Candlewick Fic. **B+,C,K,L,Q,W+** (AR/RC) **19.81**

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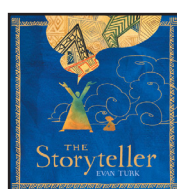
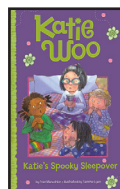
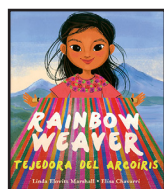
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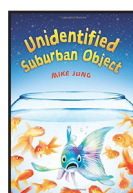
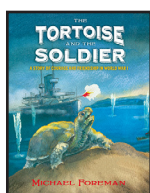
Bruchac, Joseph

163290 *Talking Leaves*. The story of Sequoyah and the creation of the Cherokee syllabary, as told by his thirteen year old son. [IL 10-14] 235 pages Dial Fic. **B,C,K,L+,M,Q+,W** (AR/RC) **19.81**

Budhos, Marina Tamar

166644 *Watched*. Far from the "model teen," Naeem moves fast to outrun the eyes of his hardworking Bangladeshi parents, their gossiping neighbors, and the other forms of surveillance in his immigrant neighborhood in Queens, but when his mistakes catch up with him and the police offer a dark deal, will Naeem be a hero or a traitor? [IL 12-16] 265 pages Wendy Lamb Fic. **B,C,K,L+,M,Q+,W** (AR/RC) **20.51**



**Burg, Ann E.**

172892 *Serafina's Promise*. In a poor village outside of Port-au-Prince, Haiti, Serafina works hard to help her family, but dreams of going to school and becoming a doctor--then the earthquake hits and Serafina must summon all her courage to find her father and still get medicine for her sick baby brother as she promised. [IL 11-15] 299 pages Scholastic Fic. **B,C,K+,L,M,Q+,W** (AR/RC) **19.81**

Curtis, Christopher Paul

253846 *Elijah Of Buxton*. In 1860, eleven-year-old Elijah Freeman, the first free-born child in Buxton, Canada, a haven for slaves fleeing the American south, tries to bring to justice a preacher who has stolen money that was to be used to buy a family's freedom. [IL 9-13] 341 pages Scholastic Fic. **B+,C,K+,L+,M+,Q+** (AR/RC) **19.81**

Diaz, Alexandra

276585 *Only Road*. Twelve-year-old Jaime makes the treacherous journey from his home in Guatemala to his older brother in New Mexico after his cousin is murdered by a drug cartel. [IL 8-12] 308 pages Simon Fic. **B+,C,K,Q** (AR) **19.81**

Donwerth-Chikamatsu, Annie

488516 *Somewhere Among*. Eleven-year-old Emma's life in Tokyo changes for the worse when she and her American mother, who is pregnant, must move in with her Japanese grandmother the summer before 9/11 changes the world. [IL 9-12] 441 pages Atheneum Fic. **B,C,K+,L,M,Q+** (RC) **19.81**

Ephron, Amy

312115 *Castle In The Mist*. Sent for the summer to their aunt's sleepy village in the English countryside and Max find the key to a castle hidden from time and learn that wishes can come true, if they wish carefully. il. [IL 8-12] 167 pages Philomel Fic. **B,CA,K,L,W** (AR/RC) **19.81**

Foreman, Michael

345662 *Tortoise And The Soldier*. As a boy, Henry Friston dreamed of traveling the world. He thought he was signing up for a lifetime of adventure when he joined the Royal Navy. But when World War I begins, it launches the world, and Henry, into turmoil. While facing enemy fire at Gallipoli, Henry discovers the strength he needs to survive in an unexpected source: a tortoise. And so begins the friendship of a lifetime. Based on true events, and with charming illustrations, this story of war, courage, and friendship will win the hearts of readers. il. [IL 8-12] 115 pages Holt Fic. **B+,C,K+,L,Q** (AR) **19.81**

Gibbs, Stuart

376501 *Spy Ski School*. Twelve-year-old Ben's unexpected success outside the classroom causes the CIA to activate him for a mission to become friends with Jessica Shang, daughter of a suspected Chinese crime boss. *Spy School Novel 4*. [IL 8-12] 368 pages Simon Fic. **K,Q** (AR) **19.81**

Giff, Patricia Reilly

378329 *Genevieve's War*. In August 1939 Genevieve makes an impulsive decision not to get on a train to take her to a boat back to New York and must spend the duration of World War II with

her grandmother in a small village in Alsace, France, where she becomes involved with the French resistance. [IL 8-12] 222 pages Holiday House Fic. **B+,CA,K,L,M** (AR) **19.79**

Gonzalez, Christina Diaz

385669 *Moving Target*. Twelve-year-old Cassie Arroyo is a student in Rome, but her life changes when a secret organization, the Hastati, shoots her father--and she learns that she is a member of an ancient bloodline that enables her to use the Spear of Destiny, a legendary object that can alter the future. *Moving Target 1*. [IL 8-12] 248 pages Scholastic Fic. **B,L,Q** (AR/RC) **20.51**

Grande, Reyna

392528 *Distance Between Us*. At the age of 8, Reyna Grande made the dangerous and illegal trek across the border from Mexico to the United States, and discovered that the American Dream is much more complicated than it seemed. [IL 10-14] 322 pages Aladdin 305-A. **B+,K,L,Q** (AR/RC) **20.51**

Gratz, Alan

393483 *Projekt 1065*. It is 1943, and thirteen-year-old Michael O'Shaunessey, son of the Irish ambassador to Nazi Germany in Berlin, is also a spy for the British Secret Service, so he has joined the Hitler Youth, and pretending that he agrees with their violence and book-burning is hard enough--but when he is asked to find out more about "Projekt 1065" both his and his parents' lives get a lot more dangerous. [IL 9-12] 309 pages Scholastic Fic. **B,C,K+,L+** (AR/RC) **19.81**

Hahn, Mary Downing

410560 *Ghost Of Crutchfield Hall*. In the 19th century, Florence leaves a London orphanage to live with her great-uncle, great-aunt, and sickly cousin James, but a ghost in the house means to do her and James harm. [IL 9-12] 153 pages Clarion Fic. **B,CA,K+,L,M,Q+** (AR/RC) **19.82**

Halahmy, Miriam

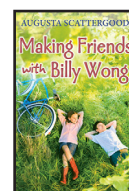
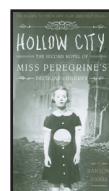
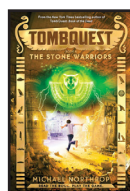
411872 *Hidden*. Fourteen-year-old Alix is faced with a huge moral dilemma when she helps pull an illegal Iraqi immigrant from the incoming tide on the coastal English island where she lives. [IL 10-14] 218 pages Holiday House Fic. **B,CA,K,L,Q** (AR/RC) **19.79**

Hashimi, Nadia

424268 *One Half From The East*. An emotional riveting coming-of-age journey to modern day Afghanistan that explores the "bacha posh" custom of dressing pre-teen girls as boys. il. [IL 8-12] 256 pages Harper Fic. **B,C,K,L+,M,Q+** (AR/RC) **19.81**

Huckerby, Mark

469435 *Defender Of The Realm*. For hundreds of years the United Kingdom has been protected by a mysterious guardian known as the Defender. Part myth, part superhero, few truly believed the Defender existed ... until now. Because of the Defender, two kids from two different backgrounds are about to be enlisted in a centuries-long battle for the fate of a nation. *Defender Of The Realm #1*. [IL 8-12] 306 pages Scholastic Fic. **B,C,K,L** (AR) **20.51**

**Jung, Mike**

504600 *Unidentified Suburban Object*. Chloe Cho is a Korean American seventh-grader who would like to get in touch with many of the aspects of her heritage, but her parents are unwilling to talk about it--then when a class assignment forces Chloe to confront them directly, they finally tell her the truth about her family, which may just be too much for one girl to handle. [IL 8-12] 265 pages Scholastic Fic. **Q** (AR/RC) **19.81**

Kelly, Erin Entrada

512262 *Land Of Forgotten Girls*. Abandoned by their father and living in poverty with their heartless stepmother in Louisiana, two sisters from the Philippines, twelve-year-old Sol and six-year-old Ming, learn the true meaning of family. il. [IL 8-12] 299 pages Greenwillow Fic. **B+,C,K,L,Q** (AR/RC) **19.81**

Lee, Stacey (Stacey Heather)

556860 *Under A Painted Sky*. In 1845, Sammy, a Chinese American girl, and Annamae, an African American slave girl, disguise themselves as boys and travel on the Oregon Trail to California from Missouri. [IL 12-16] 374 pages Putnam Fic. **B,L** (AR/RC) **19.81**

Morpurgo, Michael

659275 *Listen To The Moon*. The lives of a boy in England and a girl from New York City intersect after the girl, Merry, and her mother climb aboard the ill-fated ship Lusitania bound for England to find Merry's father. The boy, Alfie, discovers the injured girl and as his family nurses her back to health, rumors abound that Merry is a German enemy. [IL 10-14] 341 pages Feiwel and Friends Fic. **B+,K+,L+,Q** (AR/RC) **19.81**

Nannestad, Katrina

667272 *When Mischief Came To Town*. In 1911, when orphaned ten-year-old Inge comes to live with her stern grandmother in a remote island village in Bornholm, Denmark, she ends up changing the climate of the town, bringing joy and laughter to her grandmother's life and finding a new family for herself to help assuage her grief over losing her mother. [IL 9-12] 179 pages Houghton Fic. **B+,C,K+,L,M,Q+,W+** (AR/RC) **19.81**

Nesbet, Anne

670893 *Cloud And Wallfish*. Noah Keller has a pretty normal life, until his parents pick him up from school and head straight behind the Iron Curtain into East Berlin, to a new life of espionage and intrigue. [IL 10-14] 385 pages Candlewick Fic. **B,C,K,M+,Q+** (AR/RC) **19.81**

Nielsen, Jennifer A.

676485 *Night Divided*. When the Berlin Wall went up, Gerta, her mother, and her brother Fritz were trapped on the eastern side where they were living, while her father, and her other brother Dominic are in the West--four years later, now twelve, Gerta sees her father on a viewing platform on the western side and realizes he wants her to risk her life trying to tunnel to freedom. il. [IL 8-12] 317 pages Scholastic Fic. **B,C,K,L,Q,W** (AR/RC) **19.81**

Northrop, Michael

681525 *Stone Warriors*. Twelve-year-olds Alex and Renata are on the run from the Order, which is on the brink of creating an army of indestructible stone warriors to carry out their evil schemes, and only the Lost Spells which his mother used to bring Alex back to life can stop them--and undoing the powerful magic that created the chaos that is now loose in Egypt might very well kill him. *Tombquest #4*. [IL 8-12] 186 pages Scholastic Fic. (AR/RC) **17.01**

Park, Linda Sue

700190 *Long Walk To Water: Based On A True Story*. Eleven-year-old Salva becomes separated from his family during Sudan's civil war and must walk with other Dinka tribe members in search of a safe haven. [IL 10-14] 121 pages Clarion Fic. **B+,C,K,L+,M,Q+,W+** (AR/RC) **20.51**

Parry, Rosanne

702270 *Turn Of The Tide*. After a devastating tsunami in Japan, cousins Jet and Kai spend the summer together in Astoria, Oregon, training for the Young's Bay Treasure Island Race and become close friends in the process. [IL 9-12] 294 pages Random Fic. **B+,CA,K,L+,Q** (AR/RC) **19.81**

Preus, Margi

731420 *Bamboo Sword*. In Japan in 1853, at the time of U.S. Commodore Matthew Perry's visit to Japan, Yoshi, a young Japanese boy who dreams of becoming a samurai one day, learns about America from Manjiro and has adventures with Jack, a young cabin boy aboard one of the U.S. ships. il. [IL 10-14] 335 pages Amulet Fic. **B,C,K+,L+,M,Q+,W** (AR/RC) **19.79**

731498 *West Of The Moon*. In nineteenth-century Norway, fourteen-year-old Astri, whose aunt has sold her to a mean goatherder, dreams of joining her father in America. il. [IL 10-14] 213 pages Amulet Fic. **B+,C,K+,L+,M+,Q+** (AR/RC) **19.79**

Resau, Laura

747010 *Lightning Queen*. On the Hill of Dust, in the remote mountains of Mexico, an eleven-year-old Mixtec boy called Teo lives with his family and the animals that he has healed, but one day a Romany caravan rolls into town with a young girl who calls herself Esma, the Gypsy Queen of Lightning--it is the beginning of a life-long friendship that will change both their lives. [IL 8-12] 323 pages Scholastic Fic. **B,C+,K+,L+,Q,W** (AR/RC) **19.81**

Riggs, Ransom

754133 *Hollow City: The Second Novel Of Miss Peregrine's Peculiar Children*. Having escaped Miss Peregrine's island by the skin of their teeth, Jacob and his new friends must journey to London, the peculiar capital of the world. Along the way, they encounter new allies, a menagerie of peculiar animals, and other unexpected surprises. *Miss Peregrine's Peculiar Children Bk. 2*. il. [IL 12-16] 352 pages Quirk Books Fic. **K,L** (AR/RC) **21.21**



754146 *Library Of Souls: The Third Novel Of Miss Peregrine's Peculiar Children*. Time is running out for the Peculiar Children. With a dangerous madman on the loose and their beloved Miss Peregrine still in danger, Jacob Portman and Emma Bloom are forced to stage the most daring of rescue missions. *Miss Peregrine's Peculiar Children* 3. il. [IL 12-16] 458 pages Quirk Books Fic. B,L (AR) **21.21**

Rundell, Katherine

771088 *Wolf Wilder*. In the days before the Russian Revolution, twelve-year-old Feodora sets out to rescue her mother when the Tsar's Imperial Army imprisons her for teaching tamed wolves to fend for themselves. [IL 8-12] 231 pages Simon Fic. B+,C+,K,L,M,Q+ (AR/RC) **19.81**

Scattergood, Augusta

781572 *Making Friends With Billy Wong*. In 1952 eleven-year-old Azalea is sent to Paris Junction, Arkansas, to help out her grandmother who has injured her foot, but does not really seem to want her help; Billy Wong is a Chinese-American boy whose uncle owns the local grocery store, in town to attend the "white" school, since the Chinese mission school has closed, but frustrated by the overt prejudice of the local children--and over the summer the two begin to forge a friendship. il. [IL 8-12] 209 pages Scholastic Fic. B,CA,K,L,Q,W (AR/RC) **19.81**

Sedgwick, Julian

795177 *Black Dragon*. Talented magician Danny, who is half-Chinese, half-British, and dwarf strongman Zamora try to find the connection between the disastrous end of the circus Mysterium, where Danny's performer parents were killed, and the disappearance of his guardian aunt, who is investigating sinister gangs in Hong Kong. *Mysterium* Bk. 1. [IL 9-14] 346 pages Carolrhoda Fic. B,K,Q (AR/RC) **21.21**

Selznick, Brian

799215 *Invention Of Hugo Cabret: A Novel In Words And Pictures*. When twelve-year-old Hugo, an orphan in 1931, meets a mysterious toyseller and his goddaughter his undercover life and his biggest secret are jeopardized. il. [IL 9-12] 544 pages Scholastic Fic. B,C+,K+,L+,M+,Q+ (AR/RC) **25.41**

Smith, Roland

827283 *Edge*. Fifteen-year-old Peak Marcello is invited to participate in an "International Peace Ascent" in the Hindu Kush, with a team made up of under-eighteen-year-old climbers from around the world--but from the first something seems wrong, so when the group is attacked, and most of the climbers are either killed or kidnapped, Peak finds himself caught up in a struggle to survive, shadowed by the Shen, a mysterious snow leopard. [IL 12-16] 238 pages Houghton Fic. K-,L,M,Q+ (AR) **20.51**

Stroud, Jonathan

861576 *Hollow Boy*. Anthony, George, and Lucy investigate new hauntings, track down assassins, and a new assistant joins Lockwood & Co. *Lockwood & Co.* Bk. 3. [IL 8-12] 385 pages Hyperion Fic. B+,L+,M,Q+ (AR/RC) **19.81**

Tan, Susan

871801 *Cilla Lee-Jenkins: Future Author Extraordinaire*. A half-Chinese, half-Caucasian girl's 'memoir' about a new sibling, being biracial, and her path to literary greatness. il. Wulfekotte, Dana. [IL 8-12] 250 pages Roaring Brook Fic. B+,K-,L,M (AR) **19.81**

Thomson, Sarah L.

881398 *Deadly Flowers: A Ninja's Tale*. In Feudal Japan, ninja girl Kata tries to save a brother and sister from their uncle, his samurai army, and various demons, all of whom are after a magical ring. [IL 10-14] 270 pages Boyds Mills Fic. B,C,K,M,Q+ (AR) **20.49**

Wenxuan, Cao

933913 *Bronze And Sunflower*. The story of a Chinese city girl adopted into a poor country family whose youngest son becomes her best friend. [IL 9-12] 386 pages Candlewick Fic. B+,K+,L,M,W+ (AR/RC) **19.81**

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