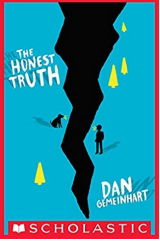


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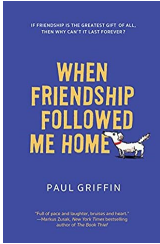


The Honest Truth

Dan Gemeinhart

Mark has been in and out of hospital his whole life - and he's fed up. So when his cancer returns, he decides he's had enough. Running away with his dog Beau, he sets out to climb a mountain - and it's only when he's left everything behind that Mark realises he has everything to live for.

(Level 4.0 / 5 points)



When Friendship Followed Me Home

Paul Griffin

A boy's chance encounter with a scruffy dog leads to an unforgettable friendship in this deeply moving story about life, loss, and the meaning of family. **(Level 4.1 / 7 points)**



Rain, Reign

Ann Martin

Rose Howard is obsessed with homonyms. She's thrilled that her own name is a homonym, and she purposely gave her dog Rain a name with two homonyms (Reign, Rein), which, according to Rose's rules of homonyms, is very special. Not everyone understands Rose's obsessions, her rules, and the other things that make her different – not her teachers, not other kids, and not her single father. When a storm hits their rural town, rivers overflow, the roads are flooded, and Rain goes missing. Rose's father shouldn't have let Rain out. Now Rose has to find her dog, even if it means leaving her routines and safe places to search. **(Level 4.3 / 5 points)**



Wish

Barbara O'Connor

Eleven-year-old Charlie Reese has been making the same silent wish since fourth grade. With the help of a true-blue friend, a big-hearted aunt and uncle, and the dog of her dreams, it just might come true. **(Level 5.0 / 6 points)**

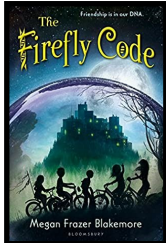
Dystopian



The Last Human

Lee Bacon

After machines take control of Earth, robot XR 935 confronts its prejudices about humans and begins to reconsider its own existence within robot society after befriending a girl. **(Level 4.2 / 6 points)**



The Firefly Code

Megan Frazer Blakemore

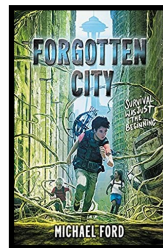
For Mori and her friends living on Krita Corp-sponsored Firefly Lane, genetic tailoring for health and intelligence is a fact of life. Then too-perfect Ilana moves in. Is she even human? **(Level 4.6 / 11 points)**



Parched

Melanie Crowder

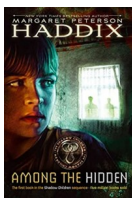
Sarel, who just witnessed the murder of her parents, Nandi, the leader of a pack of dogs who looks out for her pups and Sarel, and Musa, an escaped prisoner with the water song inside him, struggle to survive without water. **(Level 5.3 / 3 points)**



Forgotten City

Michael Ford

Thirteen years ago, the world ended. A deadly chemical called Waste began to spread across the globe, leaving devastation in its wake. Millions died. Cities fell into chaos. **(Level 5.2 / 9 points)**



Shadow Children Series

Margaret Peterson Haddix

Imagine a world where families are allowed only two children. Illegal third children—shadow children—must live in hiding. If they are discovered, there is only one punishment: Death.

Among the Hidden

Level 4.8 / 5 points

Among the Impostors

Level 4.9 / 5 points

Among the Betrayed

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Among the Barons

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Among the Brave

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Among the Enemy

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Among the Free

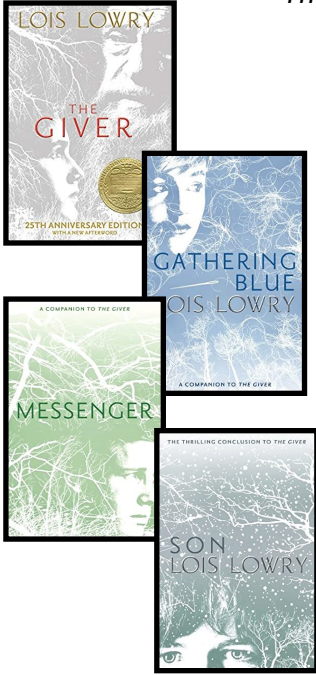
Level 5.6 / 7 points



Dystopian cont.

The Giver Quartet

Lois Lowry



The Giver: Jonas becomes the Receiver of Memory and discovers the joys, pains, and secrets that have been forgotten in his seemingly utopian community. **(Level 5.7 / 7 points)**

Gathering Blue: Lamed and suddenly orphaned, Kira is mysteriously removed from her squalid village to live in the palatial Council Edifice, where she is expected to use her gifts as a weaver to do the bidding of the all-powerful Guardians. **(Level 5.0 / 7 points)**

Messenger: Matty, a young member of a utopian community that values honesty, conceals an emerging healing power that he cannot explain or understand. **(Level 4.9 / 5 points)**

Son: Unlike the other Birthmothers in her utopian community, teenaged Claire forms an attachment to her baby and sets out to find him when he is removed from the community. **(Level 5.0 / 11 points)**



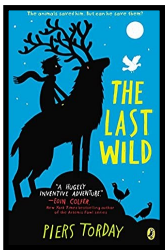
Icebreaker

Lian Tanner

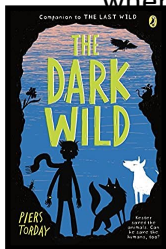
Living on an ancient icebreaker in a war-stricken world ruled by Anti-Machinists, 12-year-old Petrel hides a stowaway only to discover that her new friend has been sent to destroy a secret object. **(Level 5.3 / 9 points)**

The Last Wild Series

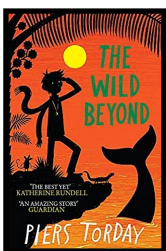
Piers Torday



The Last Wild: Twelve-year-old Kester Jaynes, who has been locked away at a school for troubled children, is called upon to save the last animals living in a post-apocalyptic world where disease has killed most living things. **(Level 5.6 / 11 points)**



The Dark Wild: Gathering together the Last Wild, the last animals still alive, Kester Jaynes is faced with the new task of facing the Dark Wild, the animals who live underground and want to destroy humankind. **(Level 5.8 / 11 points)**



The Wild Beyond: Kester Jaynes has led the last wild creatures in the land to safety, and saved his beloved city of Premium from total destruction. Almost....

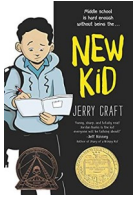
Graphic Novels



El Deafo

Cece Bell

The author recounts in graphic novel format her experiences with hearing loss at a young age, including using a bulky hearing aid, learning how to lip read, and determining her "superpower." **(Level 2.7 / 2 points)**



New Kid and Class Act

Jerry Craft

New Kid: Seventh grader Jordan Banks loves nothing more than drawing cartoons about his life, but instead of sending him to the art school of his dreams, his parents enroll him in a prestigious private school known for its academics. **(Level 2.9 / 2 points)**



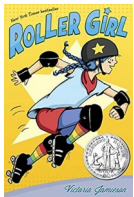
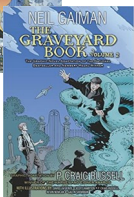
Class Act: Eighth grader Drew Ellis recognizes that he isn't afforded the same opportunities that his privileged classmates at the Riverdale Academy Day School take for granted. Drew begins to feel his friend Liam might be one of them. **(Level 2.8 / 2 points)**



The Graveyard Book

Neil Gaiman / adapted by P. Craig Russell

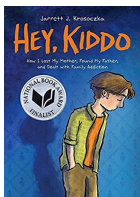
Nobody Owens, known as Bod, is a normal boy. He would be completely normal if he didn't live in a graveyard, being raised by ghosts, with a guardian who belongs to neither the world of the living nor the dead. There are adventures in the graveyard for a boy—an ancient Indigo Man, a gateway to the abandoned city of ghouls, the strange and terrible Sleer. But if Bod leaves the graveyard, he will be in danger from the man Jack—who has already killed Bod's family. **(Book one Level 3.9 / 3 points; Book two Level 3.5 / 2 points)**



Roller Girl

Victoria Jamieson

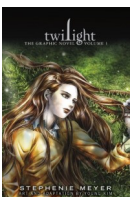
A graphic novel adventure about a girl who discovers roller derby right as she and her best friend are growing apart. **(Level 3.2 / 2 points)**



Hey Kiddo

Jarrett J. Krosoczka

Shares the author's upbringing in a family grappling with addiction and how he used art to survive. **(Level 3.5 / 2 points)**



Twilight

Stephenie Meyer / adapted by Young Kim



Twilight: The Graphic Novel is a 2 part comic book miniseries by Young Kim, an adaptation of the first thirteen chapters of the 2005 novel Twilight by Stephenie Meyer. **(Book One Level 3.1 / 1 point; Book two Level 3.2 / 1 points)**

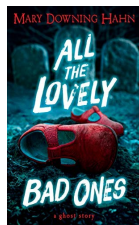


White Bird

R.J. Palacio

Tells the story of Julian's Grandmère's childhood as she, a Jewish girl, was hidden by a family in a Nazi-occupied French village during World War II and how the boy she once shunned became her savior and best friend. **(Level 3.5 / 2 points)**

Scary stories



All the Lovely Bad Ones

Mary Downing Hahn

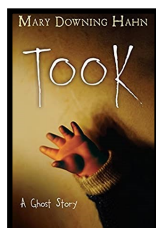
While spending the summer at their grandmother's Vermont inn, two prankster siblings awaken young ghosts from the inn's distant past who refuse to "rest in peace." **(Level 4.5 / 6 points)**



The Girl in the Locked Room

Mary Downing Hahn

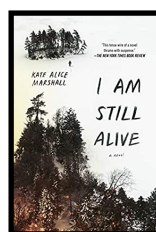
Told in two voices, Jules, whose father is restoring an abandoned house, and a girl who lived there a century before begin to communicate and slowly, the girl's tragic story is revealed. **(Level 4.3 / 5 points)**



Took

Mary Downing Hahn

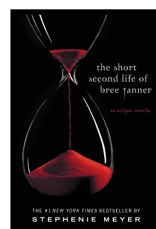
A witch called Old Auntie is lurking near Daniel's family's new home. He doesn't believe in her at first but is forced to accept that she is real and take action when his little sister, Erica, is "took" to become Auntie's slave for the next fifty years. **(Level 4.3 / 7 points)**



I Am Still Alive

Kate Alice Marshall

Stranded in the woods after her cabin burns down and her father is killed, a disabled girl and her dog fervently prepare for the coming winter while plotting revenge on the person who murdered her father. **(Level 4.6 / 12 points)**



The Short Second Life of Bree Tanner

Stephenie Meyer

Bree Tanner, a character introduced in Eclipse, and the army of newborn vampires prepares to close in on Bella Swan and the Cullens. **(Level 4.8 / 6 points)**



Wilder Girls

Rory Power

Friends Hetty, Byatt, and Reece go to extremes trying to uncover the dark truth about the mysterious disease that has had them quarantined at their boarding school on a Maine island. **(Level 4.8 / 12 points)**

Stranger Things Graphic Novels

Suspicious Minds

Gwenda Bonda

Level 4.6 / 12 points

Darkness on the Edge of Town

Adam Christopher

Level 5.6 / 17 points

Runaway Max

Brenna Yovanoff

Level 5.8 / 8 points

A teenage girl with precognitive abilities, has struggled through a lifetime of exploitation only to end up the pawn of a government agency that wants to harness her powers for its own ends. You've seen the show *Stranger Things*, but this is your first glimpse of the strangeness that happened before the series began!

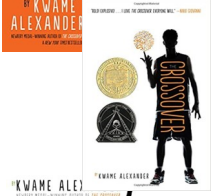


Sports

Kwame Alexander



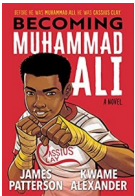
Rebound: In this prequel to *The Crossover*, Chuck Bell takes center stage, as readers get a glimpse of his childhood and how he became the jazz music worshipping, basketball star his sons look up to. **(Level 4.3 / 4 points)**



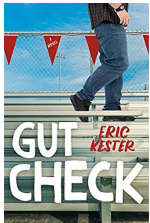
Crossover: 12-year-old Josh and his twin Jordan have basketball in their blood. They're kings of the court, star players for their school team. Their father used to be a champion player and they each want nothing more than to follow in his footsteps. Both on and off the court, there is conflict and hardship which will test Josh's bond with his brother. In this heartfelt novel in verse, the boys find that life doesn't come with a play-book and it's not all about winning. **(Level 4.3 / 2 points)**



Booked: In this follow-up to *The Crossover*, 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. **(Level 3.9 / 3 points)**



Becoming Muhammed Ali: A biographical novel tells the story of Cassius Clay, the determined boy who would one day become Muhammad Ali, one of the greatest boxers of all time. **(Level 5.4 / 3 points)**



Gut Check

Eric Kester

When star quarterback Brett suffers a terrible concussion, his brother must decide if keeping his brother's secret is worth the risk to their relationship and their town's economic future. **(Level 6.3 / 12 points)**

Game Changers Series

Mike Lupica



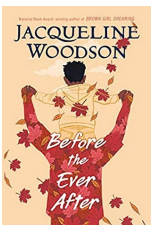
Game Changers: Eleven-year-old Ben is not surprised when the coach's son is chosen to play quarterback, but when Ben tries to be a good teammate and help the inconsistent Shawn, he is startled to learn that his new friend does not really want the position. **(Level 5.2 / 7 points)**



Play Makers: Starting the basketball season after an incredible football championship win, Ben and his crew are challenged by newcomer Chase Braggs, whose point-guard abilities outstrip Ben's and who attracts Lily's attention while Ben is busy practicing. **(Level 5.4 / 7 points)**



Heavy Hitters: Ben and Justin are thrilled to be playing in the All-Star Baseball league. After Ben is hit with a ball and is shaken up and Justin reveals personal problems, their friendship becomes just as important. **(Level 5.3 / 8 points)**

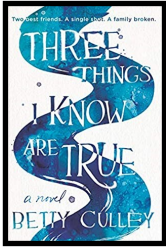


Before the Ever After

Jacqueline Woodson

ZJ's friends Ollie, Darry and Daniel help him cope when his father, a beloved professional football player, suffers severe headaches and memory loss that spell the end of his career. **(Level 4.5 / 3 points)**

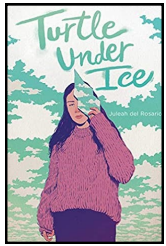
Verse



Three Things I Know Are True

Betty Culley

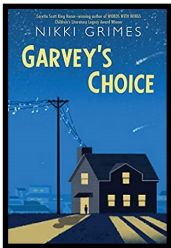
Life changes forever for Liv when her older brother, Jonah, accidentally shoots himself. Now Jonah needs round-the-clock care just to stay alive, and Liv feels like she's the only person who can see that her brother is still there inside his broken body. **(Level 4.9 / 6)**



Turtle Under Ice

Juleah del Rosario

A teen navigates questions of grief, identity, and guilt in the wake of her sister's mysterious disappearance in this breathtaking novel-in-verse.



Garvey's Choice

Nikki Grimes

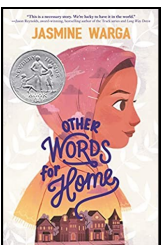
Garvey's father has always wanted him to be athletic, but Garvey is interested in astronomy, science fiction, and reading. **(Level 3.6 / 1 point)**



The Last Fifth Grade of Emerson Elementary

Laura Shovan

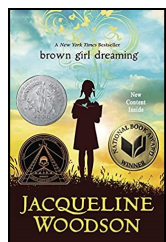
This story, told in verse from multiple perspectives, shares stories of the graduating fifth-grade class of Emerson Elementary. The kids join together to try to save their school from being torn down to make way for a supermarket. **(Level 4.7 / 3 points)**



Other Words for Home

Jasmine Warga

Jude is sent with her mother to the safety of a relative's home in Ohio when their Syrian hometown is overshadowed by violence. Jude adjusts to a new life with unexpected surprises. **(Level 5.3 / 5 points)**



Brown Girl Dreaming

Jacqueline Woodson

Raised in South Carolina and New York, author Jacqueline Woodson always felt halfway home in each place. Through vivid free verse, she shares what it was like to grow up as an African American in the 1960s and 1970s. **(Level 5.3 / 5 points)**