

Each includes one of the following identifiers:

- E** Picture book shelved by author's last name
- E Rdr** Early reader shelved by author's last name
- J** Juvenile fiction shelved by author's last name
- YA** Teen fiction shelved by author's last name
- J000** Juvenile non-fiction shelved by Dewey Decimal classification number

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J940.545 S **The Port Chicago 50: Disaster, Mutiny, and the Fight for Civil Rights**
by Steve Sheinkin

Presents an account of the 1944 civil rights protest involving hundreds of African-American Navy servicemen who were unjustly charged with mutiny for refusing to work in unsafe conditions after the deadly Port Chicago explosion.

JB Arnold **The Notorious Benedict Arnold**
by Steve Sheinkin

US history's best-known anti-hero comes to life in this story of revolution and treason.

JB Bell **El Deafo**
by 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." (Graphic Novel)

JB DePrince **Taking Flight: From War Orphan to Star Ballerina**
by Michaela DePrince with Elaine DePrince

In this engaging, moving, and unforgettable memoir, Michaela shares her dramatic journey from an orphan in West Africa to becoming one of ballet's most exciting rising stars.



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Recommended Reading ...



**Suggested Reading List
Fifth and Sixth Grades**

J Anderson **Sidekicked**
by John David Anderson

Thirteen-year-old superhero sidekick-in-training Drew "The Sensationalist" Bean must overcome his not-so-superpowers and become the hero everyone needs when a supervillain, The Dealer, returns to Justicia.

J Beck **Malcolm at Midnight**
by W.H. Beck

Malcolm, a smaller than average rat, loves life at McKenna School and the secret society of classroom pets that keep children out of trouble, but when Aggy the iguana disappears Malcolm must use all of his ratty persistence to prove his innocence and save her.

J Buckley **The Villain Virus**
by Michael Buckley

These NERDS take the excitement of espionage with the awkwardness of elementary school as it follows the adventures of a group of fifth graders who run a spy network from inside their school. With the help of cutting-edge science, they transform their nerdy qualities into superhero results that are awesome and hilarious.

J Burg **Serafina's Promise**
by Ann Burg

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.

**J Clements About Average
by Andrew Clements**

As the end of sixth grade nears, Jordan Johnson, unhappy that she is only average in appearance, intelligence, and athletic ability, reveals her special skills when disaster strikes her central Illinois elementary school.

**J Draper Out of My Mind
by Sharon Draper**

Melody, a brilliant, impatient fifth-grader with cerebral palsy who is stuck in special education classes, discovers a technological device that will allow her to speak for the first time.

**J Engle Mountain Dog
by Margarita Engle**

When his mother is sent to jail in Los Angeles, eleven-year-old Tony goes to live with his forest ranger great-uncle in the Sierra Nevada Mountains, where Tony experiences unconditional love for the first time through his friendship with a rescue dog.

**J Harkrader The Adventures of Beanboy
by Lisa Harkrader**

Wheaton, Kansas seventh-grader Tucker MacBean loves comic books, so when his favorite comic has a contest to create a sidekick, he is hopeful that he can win, thereby fixing his struggling family.

**J Harrington Sure Signs of Crazy
by Karen Harrington**

Twelve-year-old Sarah writes letters to her hero, To Kill a Mockingbird's Atticus Finch, for help understanding her mentally ill mother, her first real crush, and life in her small Texas town, all in the course of one momentous summer.

**J Holm Fourteenth Goldfish
by Jennifer Holm**

Ellie's scientist grandfather has discovered a way to reverse aging, and consequently has turned into a teenager--which makes for complicated relationships when he moves in with Ellie and her mother, his daughter.

**J Hughes Hero on a Bicycle
by Shirley Hughes**

When their mother reluctantly joins the Italian Resistance against Nazi occupying forces in World War II Florence, young Paolo and his sister, Costanza, devise a clever way to use their bicycle to assist the movement.

**J Korman Ungifted
by Gordon Korman**

Due to an administrative mix-up, troublemaker Donovan Curtis is sent to the Academy of Scholastic Distinction, a special program for gifted and talented students, after pulling a major prank at middle school.

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**J Lean Hero
by Sarah Lean**

An accident at school brings quiet, imaginative Leo to the attention of the popular crowd, but their expectations have him misbehaving and cause him to lose his best friend George, so when a neighbor's dog is trapped by a meteor strike Leo becomes a real hero in hopes of setting things right.

**J Lupica Hero
by Mike Lupica**

Fourteen year old Zach learns he has the same special abilities as his father, who was the President's globe-trotting troubleshooter until the "Bads" killed him, and now Zach must decide whether to use his powers in the same way at the risk of his own life.

**J Riordan Percy Jackson's Greek Gods
by Rick Riordan**

Percy Jackson, a modern-day demigod, tells the origin stories of the gods of Olympus and provides an insider's point of view - with plenty of attitude - in this illustrated collection.

**J Spinelli Another Day as Emily
by Eileen Spinelli**

Suzy is jealous when her brother is deemed a town hero, so she finds solace in the poetry and reclusive life-style of Emily Dickinson.



**J158.1 K The Big Book of Superheroes
by Bart King**

As a child, Bart King discovered he could punch people into outer space. Sadly, he lost a lot of friends that way. Today, Bart is one of the world's most in-demand superhero experts. So if you're wondering if you have what it takes to be a superhero--of course you do! All you need is a burning desire to fight evildoers.

**J323.119 L Turning 15 on the Road to Freedom
by Lynda Blackmon Lowery**

As the youngest marcher in the 1965 voting rights march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, Lynda Blackmon Lowery proved that young adults can be heroes. Jailed eleven times before her fifteenth birthday, Lowery fought alongside Martin Luther King, Jr. for the rights of African-Americans. In this memoir, she shows today's young readers what it means to fight nonviolently and how it felt to be part of changing American history.

**J829.3 M Beowulf
by Michael Morpurgo**

Beowulf saves the land of the Danes from a merciless ogre named Grendel and from Grendel's sea-hag mother. His story doesn't end, though, until he faces the death-dragon of the deep. An illustrated and easily readable retelling of the classic epic.