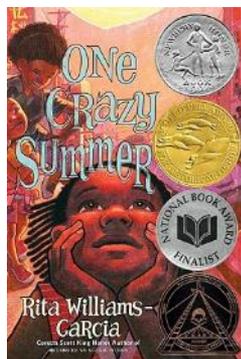
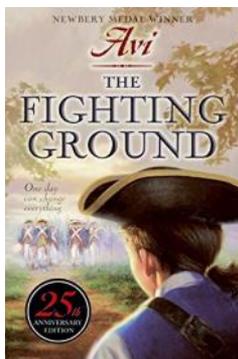
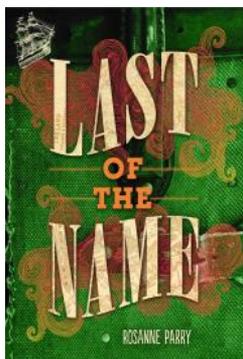
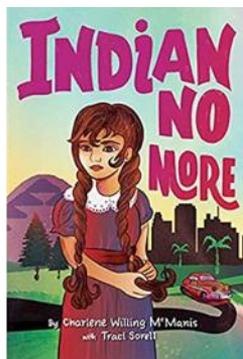
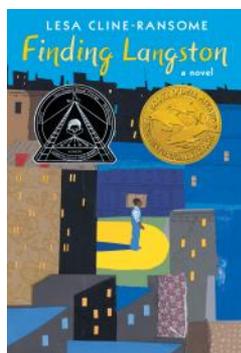
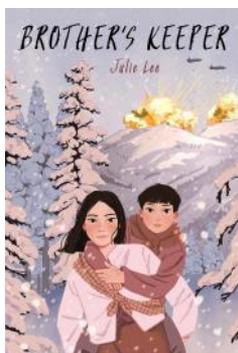
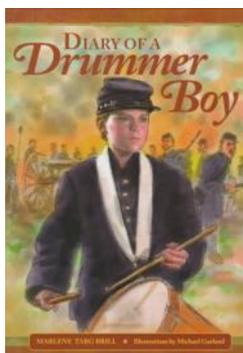
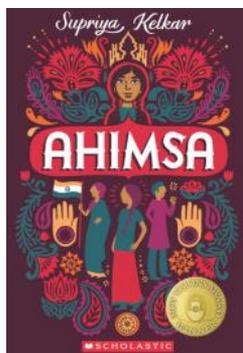


Recommended Reading

Historical Fiction

For ages 7-11

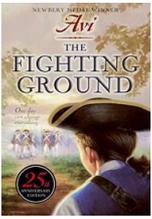


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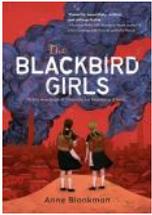
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J Avi - *The Fighting Ground*

by Avi

Thirteen-year-old Jonathan goes off to fight in the Revolutionary War and discovers the real war is being fought within himself.



J Bla - *The Blackbird Girls*

by Anne Blankman

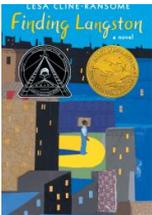
On a spring morning, Valentina and Oksana wake up to an angry red sky--Chernobyl has exploded. The girls find themselves on a train to Leningrad to stay with Valentina's grandmother. Oksana must face the lies her parents told her, Valentina must keep her grandmother's secret, and both of them discover a new best friend.



J Bri - *Diary of a Drummer Boy*

by Marlene Targ Brill

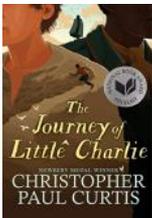
The fictionalized diary of a twelve-year-old boy who joins the Union army as a drummer, and ends up fighting in the Civil War.



J Cli - *Finding Langston*

by Lesa Cline-Ransome

Discovering a book of Langston Hughes' poetry in the library helps Langston cope with the loss of his mother, relocating from Alabama to Chicago as part of the Great Migration, and being bullied.



J Cur - *The Journey of Little Charlie*

by Christopher Paul Curtis

When his poor sharecropper father is killed in an accident and leaves the family in debt, twelve-year-old Little Charlie agrees to accompany the fearsome plantation overseer; he tells Little Charlie that his father's debt will be cleared when the fugitives are captured, which seems like a good deal until Little Charlie sees the people he is chasing.



J Dra - *Stella by Starlight*

by Sharon Draper

When a burning cross set by the Klan causes panic and fear in 1932 Bumblebee, North Carolina, fifth-grader Stella must face prejudice and find the strength to demand change in her segregated town.



J Fro - All He Knew

by Helen Frost

In 1939 six-year-old Henry, who is deaf, is taken from his family and placed in a home for the feeble-minded where, years later, his friends include a conscientious objector serving there during World War II.



J Gut - The Pompeii Disaster

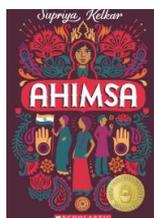
by Dan Gutman

Sent back in time to 79 AD on a mission to photograph the eruption of Mount Vesuvius, the Flashback Four race to get their picture.



Series Isu - I Survived the Galveston Hurricane, 1900 by Lauren Tarshis

It's 1900, and Charlie feels lucky to live in Galveston, Texas. It's nearly impossible for a strong hurricane to strike, but Charlie watches with growing horror as monster waves rise up from the sea! By night, much of the city is under water. Will Charlie survive the storm of the century?



J Kel - Ahimsa

by Supriya Kelkar

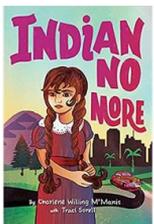
Gandhi asks for one member of each family to join the fight for independence from the British, and when ten-year-old Anjali's mother is jailed for doing so, Anjali must step out of her comfort zone to take over her mother's work.



J Lee - Brother's Keeper

by Julie Lee

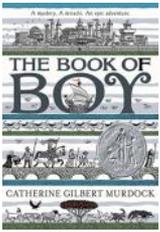
Twelve-year-old Sora and her eight-year-old brother, Youngsoo, must try to escape North Korea's oppressive Communist regime on their own in 1950.



J McM - Indian No More

by Charlene Willing McManis

Regina's family has always lived on the reservation, but when the government signs a bill that says Regina's tribe no longer exists, Regina becomes "Indian no more" overnight. Regina's father moves them to L.A., where they come face to face with vicious racism. It's 1957. Regina must find out: Who is she? Indian? American? Will her family ever be O.K.?



J Mur- *The Book of Boy*

by Catherine Gilbert Murdock

In 1350, a boy with a large hump on his back becomes the servant of a shadowy pilgrim on his way to Rome, who pulls the boy into a dangerous expedition across Europe to gather the seven precious relics of Saint Peter.



J Pan - *Planet Earth is Blue*

by Nicole Panteleakos

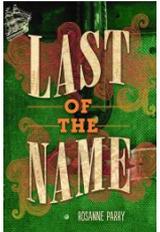
Autistic and nearly nonverbal, twelve-year-old Nova is happy in her new foster home and school, but eagerly anticipates the 1986 Challenger launch, for which her sister, Bridget, promised to return.



J Par - *Prairie Lotus*

by Linda Sue Park

A powerful, touching, multilayered book about a girl determined to fit in and realize her dreams: getting an education, becoming a dressmaker in her father's shop, and making at least one friend. In Dakota Territory in the 1880s, half-Chinese Hanna and her white father face racism and resistance as they try to make a home for themselves.



J Par - *Last of the Name*

by Rosanne Parry

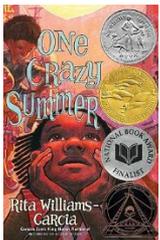
In 1863, twelve-year-old Danny and his older sister Kathleen arrive in New York City to start a new life, but they soon find themselves navigating through the same prejudices and struggles they experienced in Ireland.



J Tre - *World in Between*

by Kenan Trebinčević

Kenan loves drawing and playing soccer with his friends. He feels loved and protected-until the war ruins everything. Soon, Kenan's family is trapped in their home with little food or water, surrounded by enemies. This is a riveting story of a Muslim boy's exile from war-torn Bosnia to the United States.



J Wil - *One Crazy Summer*

by Rita Williams-Garcia

In the summer of 1968, after travelling from NY to California to spend a month with the mother they barely know, eleven-year-old Delphine and her two sisters arrive to a cold welcome as they discover that their mother, a dedicated poet, is resentful of the intrusion of their visit and wants them to attend a nearby Black Panther summer camp.