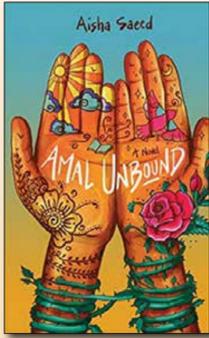
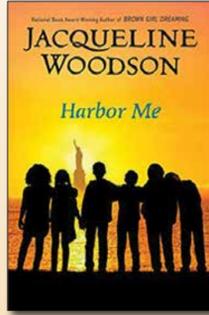


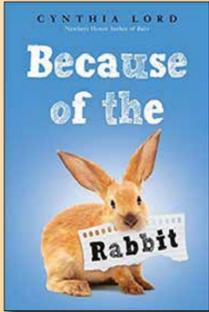
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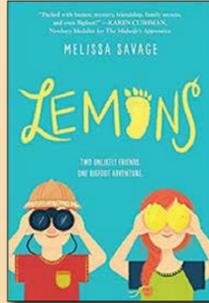
Amal Unbound
Aisha Saeed
 In Pakistan, Amal holds onto her dream of being a teacher even after becoming an indentured servant to pay off her family's debt to the wealthy and corrupt Khan family.



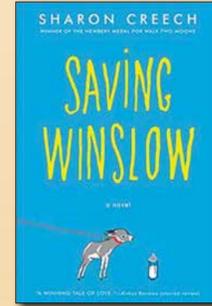
Harbor Me
Jacqueline Woodson
 When six students are chosen to participate in a weekly talk with no adults allowed, they discover that when they're together it's safe to share the hopes and fears they have to hide from the rest of the world.



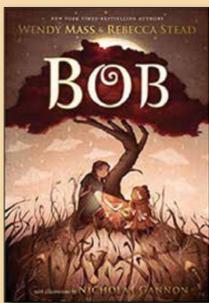
Because of the Rabbit
Cynthia Lord
 On her first day of public school after years of being homeschooled, Emma wants to make a best friend. But things don't go as planned. She's paired with a boy named Jack who doesn't fit in, and Emma's worried he'll make her stand out.



Lemons
Melissa Savage
 After her mother dies, ten-year-old Lemonade Liberty Witt must live with the grandfather she's never met in a small town famous for Bigfoot sightings. She soon becomes friends with Tobin, a quirky Bigfoot investigator.



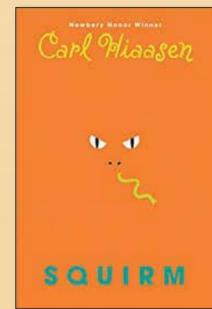
Saving Winslow
Sharon Creech
 When his father brings home a sickly newborn mini donkey, Louie is determined to save him. Everyone worries that Winslow won't survive, but as Louie's bond with Winslow grows, surprising events prove that this fragile donkey is stronger than anyone could have imagined.



Bob
Wendy Mass & Rebecca Stead
 Visiting her grandmother in Australia, Livi is reminded of the promise she made five years before to Bob, a strange, green creature who cannot recall who or what he is.



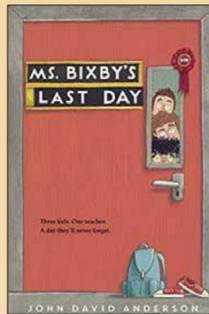
Louisiana's Way Home
Kate DiCamillo
 Louisiana isn't too worried when Granny wakes her to tell her they have to leave home immediately; such impulses are common with Granny. But this time, things are different, and Louisiana finds herself on a quest for home—and for herself.



Squirm
Carl Hiaasen
 During a wildly eventful summer, Billy leaves his Florida home to travel across the country, hike a mountain, float a river, dodge a grizzly bear, shoot down a spy drone, save wildlife, and try to save his own father.



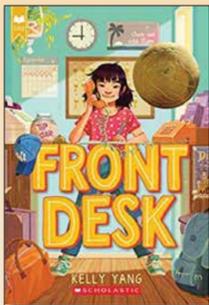
Captain Superlative!
J.S. Puller
 Janey, a quiet outsider, is inspired by the eccentric and enigmatic Captain Superlative, a masked superhero who runs through the halls of their middle school performing radical acts of kindness.



Ms. Bixby's Last Day
John David Anderson
 Loving their gifted teacher, three boys are dismayed when the teacher falls ill and leaves for the rest of the school year. The situation that compels them to share their stories while cutting class and journeying across town together on a fateful day.



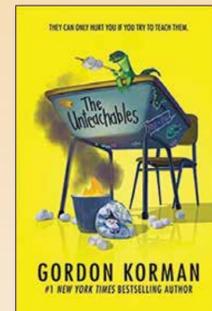
Strays Like Us
Cecelia Galante
 From the moment Fred spots a scruffy mutt with sad eyes, she knows she's in big trouble. Toby's in bad shape, and Fred longs to rescue him from the mean old man who lives next door. But the straight-talking woman fostering Fred says going over to their house is against the rules.



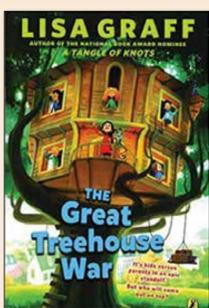
Front Desk
Kelly Yang
 Recent immigrants from China and desperate for work and money, Mia Tang's parents take a job managing a rundown motel in Southern California, even though the owner, Mr. Yao, is a nasty skinflint who exploits them.



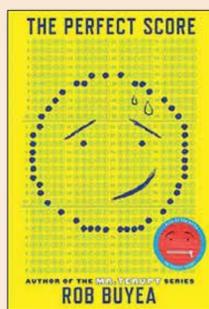
New Kid
Jerry Craft
 Seventh grader Jordan Banks loves drawing cartoons about his life. But instead of sending him to the art school of his dreams, his parents enroll him in a prestigious private school known for its academics, where he is one of the few kids of color.



The Unteachables
Gordon Korman
 What happens when the worst class of kids in school is paired with the worst teacher? Told in alternating voices, the teacher and students in room 117 find their lives changed over the course of a school year.



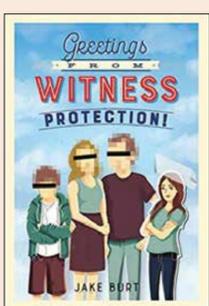
The Great Treehouse War
Lisa Graff
 Fifth-grader Winnie writes of turning her treehouse into an embassy after her newly-divorced parents become unreasonable. Soon nine other kids with complaints join her. It's kids vs. grown-ups, and no one wants to back down first.



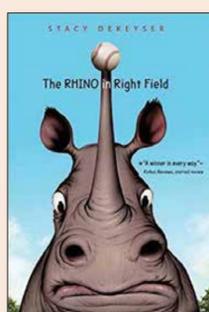
The Perfect Score
Rob Buyea
 Told from different viewpoints, five sixth-graders, facing various challenges and under pressure to do well on statewide assessment tests, agree to a plan for acing the tests.



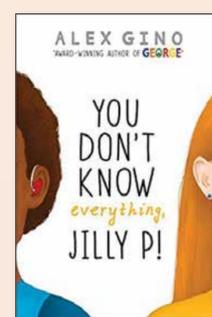
The Vanderbeekers of 141st Street
Karina Yan Glaser
 Told that they will have to move out of their Harlem brownstone just after Christmas, the five Vanderbeeker children decide to change their reclusive, curmudgeonly landlord's mind.



Greetings From Witness Protection!
Jake Burt
 Nikki is an orphan and a kleptomaniac, making her the perfect girl to portray the Trevors' daughter in witness protection. She soon learns that the biggest threat to her new family's security comes from her own past.



The Rhino in Right Field
Stacy DeKeyser
 Nikko Spirakis loves baseball but must get past his hard-working immigrant parents—and the 2,000 pound rhinoceros in the outfield—to become a batboy for the local minor league team.



You Don't Know Everything, Jilly P!
Alex Gino
 Jilly thinks she's figured out how life works. But when her sister, Emma, is born deaf, she realizes how much she still has to learn about the different ways the world treats people based on their appearance and physical attributes.