

+ Holm, Jennifer

**Fourteenth Goldfish**

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.

+ Lord, Cynthia

**Rules**

Frustrated at life with an autistic brother, twelve-year-old Catherine longs for a normal existence but her world is further complicated by a friendship with a young paraplegic.

+ Martin, Ann M.

**A Corner of the Universe**

The summer that Hattie turns twelve, she meets the childlike uncle she never knew and becomes friends with a girl who works at the carnival that comes to Hattie's small town.

+ Mass, Wendy

**Every Soul a Star**

Ally, Bree, and Jack meet at the one place the Great Eclipse can be seen in totality, each carrying the burden of different personal problems, which become dim when compared to their new task and the friendship they find.

+ Selznick, Brian

**Wonderstruck**

Having lost his mother and his hearing in a short time, twelve-year-old Ben leaves his Minnesota home in 1977 to seek the father he never knew in New York City, and meets there Rose, who is also longing for something missing from her life.

+ Sloan, Holly Goldberg

**Counting by 7s**

Twelve-year-old genius and outsider Willow Chance must figure out how to connect with other people and find a surrogate family for herself after her parents are killed in a car accident.

+ Spinelli, Jerry

**Loser**

Even though his classmates from first grade on have considered him strange and a loser, Daniel Zinkoff's optimism and exuberance and the support of his loving family do not allow him to feel that way about himself.

+ Stead, Rebecca

**When You Reach Me**

As her mother prepares to be a contestant on the 1980s television game show, "The \$20,000 Pyramid," a twelve-year-old New York City girl tries to make sense of a series of mysterious notes received from an anonymous source that seems to defy the laws of time and space.

+ Vawter, Vince

**Paperboy**

When an eleven-year-old boy takes over a friend's newspaper route in July, 1959, in Memphis, his debilitating stutter makes for a memorable month.

+ Weeks, Sarah

**So. B. It**

After spending her life with her mentally retarded mother and agoraphobic neighbor, twelve-year-old Heidi sets out from Reno, Nevada, to New York to find out who she is.

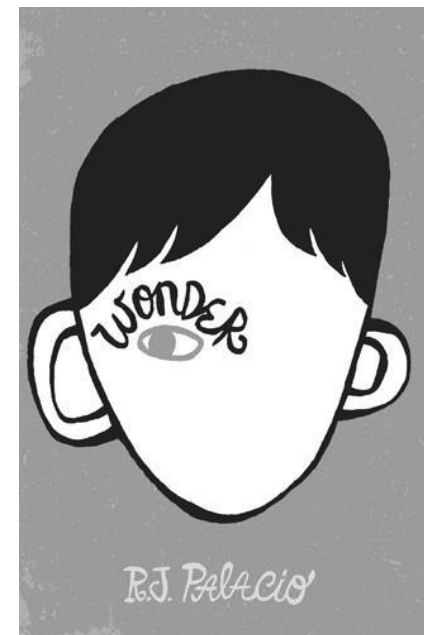


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+ Applegate, Katherine

**The One and Only Ivan**

When Ivan, a gorilla who has lived for years in a down-and-out circus-themed mall, meets Ruby, a baby elephant that has been added to the mall, he decides that he must find her a better life.

+ Abbott, Tony

**Firegirl**

A middle school boy's life is changed when Jessica, a girl disfigured by burns, starts attending his Catholic school while receiving treatment at a local hospital.

+ Angleberger, Tom

**The Strange Case of Origami Yoda**

Sixth-grader Tommy and his friends describe their interactions with a paper finger puppet of Yoda, worn by their weird classmate Dwight, as they try to figure out whether or not the puppet can really predict the future.

+ GN Bell, Cece

**El Deafo**

Going to school and making new friends can be tough. But doing these things while wearing a bulky hearing aid strapped to your chest? That requires superpowers! The author chronicles her hearing loss at a young age and her subsequent experiences with the Phonic Ear.

+ Buyea, Rob

**Because of Mr. Terupt**

Seven fifth-graders at Snow Hill School in Connecticut relate how their lives are changed for the better by "rookie teacher" Mr. Terupt.

+ Choldenko, Gennifer

**Al Capone Does My Shirts**

12-yr-old Moose moves to Alcatraz Island in 1935 when guards' families were housed there, and has to contend with his new environment in addition to life with his autistic sister.

+ Connor, Leslie

**Waiting for Normal**

12-yr-old Addie tries to cope with her mother's erratic behavior and being separated from her beloved stepfather and half-sisters when she and her mother go to live in a small trailer on the outskirts of Schenectady, New York.

+ Draper, Sharon M.

**Out of My Mind**

Considered by many to be mentally retarded, a brilliant, impatient fifth-grader with cerebral palsy discovers a technological device that will allow her to speak for the first time.

+ Ehrlich, Louise

**Nest**

On Cape Cod in 1972, 11-yr-old Chirp (for her love of birds) gets help from neighbor Joey as she struggles to cope with her mother's multiple sclerosis and its effect on her family.

+ Erskine, Kathryn

**Mockingbird**

Ten-year-old Caitlin, who has Asperger's Syndrome, struggles to understand emotions, show empathy, and make friends at school, while at home she seeks closure by working on a project with her father.

+ Gantos, Jack

**Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key**

To the constant disappointment of his mother and his teachers, Joey has trouble paying attention or controlling his mood swings when his prescription medications wear off and he starts getting worked up and acting wired.

+ Giff, Patricia Reilly

**Pictures of Hollis Woods**

Hollis Woods has been in so many foster homes she can hardly remember them all. When Hollis is sent to Josie, she'll do everything in her power to make sure they stay together.

+ Graff, Lisa

**Absolutely Almost**

Ten-year-old Albie has never been the smartest, tallest, best at gym, greatest artist, or most musical in his class, as his parents keep reminding him, but new nanny Calista helps him uncover his strengths and take pride in himself.

+ Graff, Lisa

**The Thing About Georgie**

Georgie's dwarfism causes problems, but he could always rely on his parents, his best friend, and classmate Jeanie the Meanie's teasing, until a surprising announcement, a new boy in school, and a class project shake things up.

+ Hannigan, Katherine

**Ida B: and her plans to maximize fun, avoid disaster, and (possibly) save the world**

In Wisconsin, 4th-grader Ida B spends happy hours home-schooled and playing in her family's apple orchard, until her mother begins treatment for breast cancer and her parents sell part of the orchard and send her to public school.

+ Harrington, Karen

**Courage for Beginners**

Twelve-year-old Mysti Murphy of Texas wishes she were a character in a book. If her life were fiction, she'd know how to solve her problems at school, take care of her family when her dad has to spend time in the hospital, and deal with her family's secret: that her mother is agoraphobic and never leaves the house.

+ Harrington, Karen

**Sure Signs of Crazy**

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.