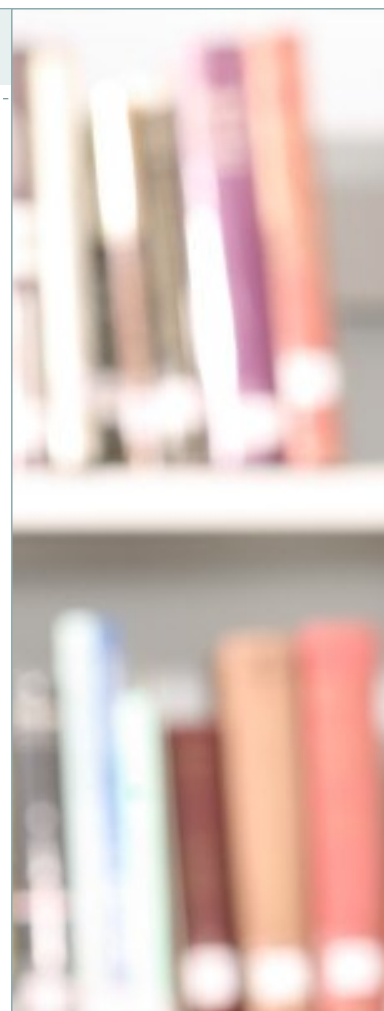


Stingray Summer Reading

AVOID THE SUMMER SLIDE

Research shows that reading just six books during the summer may keep you from regressing into the summer slide. Take advantage of your local library. Ask for help selecting books that match your age, interests, and abilities. Libraries often run summer reading programs. Check out our Book List for recommendations, and join our **Stingray Summer Reading Splash Challenge**. Details are inside on **page 2**.



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DISCOVER THE TREASURES

1. Read or listen to one book in each of six of the following eligible categories: Mystery, Fantasy, Horror, Science Fiction, Realistic Fiction, Historical Fiction, Memoir, Novels in Verse, Popular Series, and 2015-2016 SSYRA.
2. Track your reading progress using the Stingray Summer Reading Splash Map and Scorecard.
3. By August 31, 2015, give your completed Splash Map Scorecard to Ms. Lewis in the Media Center to enter the drawings for free posters and our GRAND PRIZE, a \$30 shopping spree at the Fall Scholastic Book Fair.

Join the Splash; enjoy the challenge!

HORROR AND GHOST:

Creates a feeling of fear.

NOVELS IN VERSE: Plots, themes, and characters presented in verse.

MEMOIR: An historical account written from personal knowledge.

FANTASY: Invites suspension of reality.

HISTORICAL FICTION: Takes place in the past.

REALISTIC FICTION: A story that can actually happen.

SCIENCE FICTION: Based on the impact of actual, imagined, or potential science.

POPULAR SERIES: Additional series with high circulation.

MYSTERY: A puzzle to be solved.

SSYRA: 2015-16 Sunshine State Young Readers Award List

GUIDELINES

The titles in this newsletter were selected by Ms. Lewis and Mrs. Penn using educational reviews and criteria. The interest levels by grade are indicated in parentheses. **It will be up to you and your parents to make the final decision on a book's appropriateness for you.**

To complete the Stingray Summer Splash Map and Scorecard, **you may use titles not found in the newsletter.** Just make sure they fit the following categories: Mystery, Fantasy, Horror, Science Fiction, Realistic Fiction, Historical Fiction, Memoir, Novels in Verse, and Popular Series and 2015-2016 SSYRA.

Parents, several good websites for researching a book's fit for your child are Common Sense Media, Scholastic Book Wizard, and AR Book Finder. All sites offer book summaries and detailed age recommendations.



Let's Get Started!

HORROR AND GHOST STORIES

Far Far Away by Tom McNeal (6+)

The Ghost of Graylock by Dan Poblocki (6-9)

The Haunting of Gabriel Ashe by Dan Poblocki (6-9)

Lockwood & Co. Series by Jonathan Stroud (6-9)

1. [The Screaming Staircase \(2013\)](#)
2. [The Whispering Skull \(2014\)](#)
3. [The Hollow Boy \(2015\)](#) September 15, 2015.
4. [The Dagger in the Desk \(2015\)](#)

Night Gardener by Jonathan Auxier (4-7)

The Seer of Shadows by Avi (6-8)

MEMOIR

The Boy on the Wooden Box

by Leon Leyson (5-8)
Holocaust

The Diary of Anne Frank

Popular: Vintage Wisdom for a Modern Geek

by Maya Van Wagenen (7+) Hu-
mor

MYSTERY

Colin Fischer by Ashley Edward Miller and Zack Stentz (6+)

Diamonds in the Shadow by Caroline Cooney (7-9)

Eye of the Storm by Kate Messner (5-7) action

The Great Greene Heist by Varian Johnson (5-8) Action & Adventure

The Mailbox by Audrey Shafer (6-8)

Moxie and the Art of Rule Breaking by Erin Dionne (6-9)

Spy School by Stuart Gibbs (5-8)

1. [Spy School \(2012\)](#)
2. [Spy Camp \(2013\)](#)
3. [Evil Spy School \(2015\)](#)

Theodore Boone by John Grisham (6-8)

1. [Theodore Boone: Kid Lawyer \(2010\)](#)
2. [The Abduction \(2010\)](#)
3. [The Accused \(2012\)](#)
4. [The Activist \(2013\)](#)
5. [The Fugitive \(2015\)](#)

Three Times Lucky by Sheila Turnage (4-7)

NOVELS IN VERSE

The Crossover by Kwame Alexander **2015 Newbery Medal Winner** (6-9) African American; Basketball

Hidden by Helen Frost (6-8) Realistic Fiction

Pemba's Song: A Ghost Story by Marilyn Nelson and Tonya C. Hegamin (7-9)

Salt: A Story of Friendship in a Time of War by Helen Frost (5-7) Native American

Weight of Water by Sarah Crossan (6-9) Bullying Immigration & Emigration



***The Crossover* by Kwame Alexander 2015 Newbery Medal Winner**

FYI: GRMS TOP 20 OF 2014-2015

Legend by Marie Lu

Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Hard Luck by Jeff Kinney

Boy at the End of the World by Greg Van Eekhout

The Maze Runner by James Dashner

The Ghost of Graylock by Dan Poblocki

The Apothecary by Maile Meloy

The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins

Lost in the River of Grass by Ginny Rorby

Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Cabin Fever by Jeff Kinney

Chomp by Carl Hiaasen

Doll Bones by Holly Black

Prodigy: a Legend novel by Marie Lu

Small as an Elephant by Jennifer Jacobson

Diary of a Wimpy Kid #1 by Jeff Kinney

One for the Murphys by Lynda Mullaly Hunt

Dead City by James Ponti

Diary of a Wimpy Kid: the third Wheel Jeff Kinney

Percy Jackson's Greek Gods by Rick Riordan

Far Far Away by Tom McNeal

Diary of a Wimpy Kid: the Ugly Truth Jeff Kinney



FANTASY

Ascendance Trilogy by Jennifer Nielsen (5-8)

1. [The False Prince \(2012\)](#)
2. [The Runaway King \(2013\)](#)
3. [The Shadow Throne \(2014\)](#)

The Boundless by Kenneth Opiel 5-8 Action

Brotherband Chronicles by John Flanagan (6+)

1. [The Outcasts \(2011\)](#)
2. [The Invaders \(2012\)](#)
3. [The Hunters \(2012\)](#)
4. [Slaves of Socorro \(2014\)](#)
5. [Scorpion Mountain \(2014\)](#)

Chronoptika series by Catherine Fisher (6+)

1. [The Obsidian Mirror \(2013\)](#)
2. [The Slanted Worlds \(2013\)](#)
3. [The Door in the Moon \(2015\)](#)

Darkest Path by Jeff Hirsch (7+) Dystopian

DEAD CITY series by James Ponti (5-8) Zombies

1. [Dead City \(2012\)](#)
2. [Blue Moon \(2013\)](#)
3. [Dark Days \(2015\)](#)

Flawed Dogs by Berkeley Breathed (4-7)

THE GRIMM LEGACY by Polly Shulman (6-9) Adventure; magic

1. [The Grimm Legacy \(2010\)](#)
2. [The Wells Bequest \(2013\)](#)
3. [The Poe Estate \(2015\)](#)

Grisha Trilogy by Leigh Bardugo (7+)

1. [Shadow & Bone \(2012\)](#)
2. [Siege and Storm \(2013\)](#)
3. [Ruin and Rising \(2014\)](#)

Keeper of the Lost Cities by Shannon Messenger (5-8)

1. [Keeper of the Lost Cities \(2012\)](#)
2. [Exile \(2013\)](#)
3. [Everblaze \(2014\)](#)
4. [Neverseen \(2015\)](#)

Kingdom Keepers by Ridley Pearson (6-8)

1. [The Kingdom Keepers \(2005\)](#)
aka *Disney After Dark*
2. [Disney at Dawn \(2008\)](#)
3. [Disney in Shadow \(2010\)](#)
4. [Power Play \(2011\)](#)
5. [Shell Game \(2012\)](#)
6. [Dark Passage \(2013\)](#)
7. [The Insider \(2014\)](#)

Mapmakers Trilogy by S.E. Grove. (6+) Action & Adventure

1. [The Glass Sentence](#) (2014)
2. [The Golden Specific](#) (2015)

The Mark of the Dragonfly by J. Johnson (4-8)

Mark of the Thief by Jennifer Nielsen (5-8)

1. [Mark of the Thief](#) (2015)

The Menagerie by Kari Sutherland (5-8) Animals, Mythical

1. [The Menagerie](#) (2013) (with Kari H Sutherland)
2. [Dragon on Trial](#) (2014)

3. [Krakens and Lies](#) (2015) (with Kari H Sutherland)

The Nethergrim by Matthew Jobin (7+) Action & Adventure

1. [The Nethergrim](#) (2014)

Poison by Bridget Zinn (6-9) [Magic](#)

Reckoners by Brandon Sanderson (7+) Adventure and survival

1. [Steelheart](#) (2013)
2. [Firefight](#) (2015)
3. [Calamity](#) (2016)

The Rithmatist by Brandon Sanderson (6 -10) Action & Adventure

1. [The Rithmatist](#) (2013)

The Scorpio Races by Maggie Stiefvater (8+) Orphans; Racing;

A Snicker of Magic by Natalie Lloyd (4-7)

The Thickety by J.A. White (5-8)

1. [A Path Begins](#) (2014)
2. [The Whispering Trees](#) (2015)

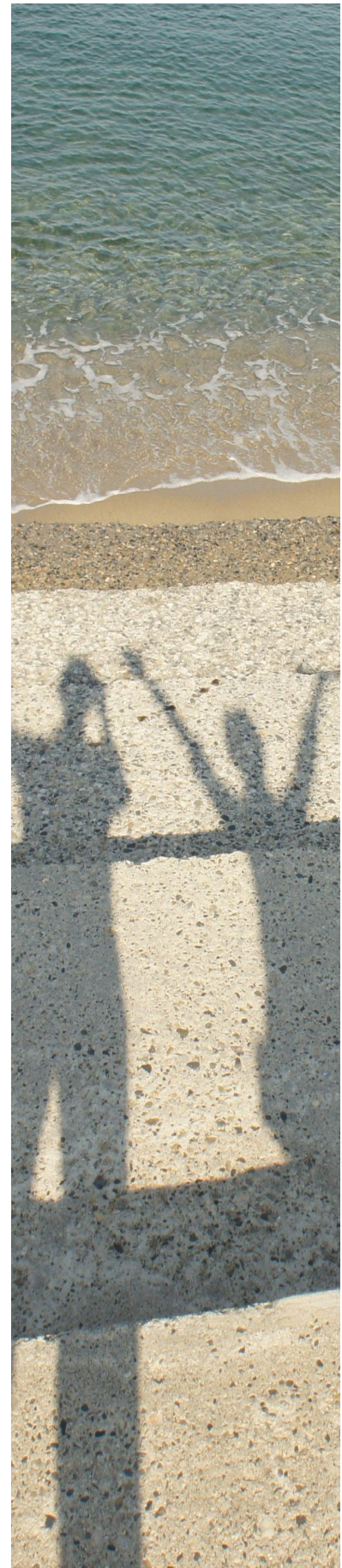
Time Fetch by Amy Herrick (5-8) Adventure; survival

Under the Never Sky by Veronica Rossi (8+) Dystopian

1. [Under the Never Sky](#) (2012)
2. [Through The Ever Night](#) (2013)
3. [Into The Still Blue](#) (2014)

The Unwanteds by Lisa McMann (4-7) Magic

1. [The Unwanteds](#) (2011)
2. [Island of Silence](#) (2012)
3. [Island of Fire](#) (2013)
4. [Island of Legends](#) (2014)
5. [Island of Shipwrecks](#) (2015)
6. [Island of Graves](#) (2015) September 15, 2015.





HISTORICAL FICTION

Belle Époque by Elizabeth Ross (7+) Friendship; Paris

Between Shades of Gray by Ruta Sepetys (8+) Holocaust Survival Stories

Breathing Room by Marsha Hayles (5-8) Diseases & Illnesses

Child of the Mountains by Marilyn Sue Shank (5-7) West Virginia

A Death Struck Year by Makiia Lucier (8+) Diseases & Illnesses

Dogtag Summer by Elizabeth Partridge (6-8) Adoption, Vietnam War

Duke by Kirby Larson (4-7) World War II

The Extra by Kathryn Lasky (7+) World War 1939-45

The Great Trouble: A Mystery of London, the Blue Death, and a Boy Called Eel by Deborah Hopkinson (5-8) Diseases & Illnesses; Mystery

Heart of a Samurai by Margi Preus (5+) Asian American

If I Ever Get Out of Here by Eric Gansworth (6+) Native Americans

Lara's Gift by Annemarie O'Brien (5-8) 1914 Russia

The Lions of Little Rock by Kristin Levine (5-8) African American Civil Rights

MIGHTY MISS MALONE by Christopher Paul Curtis (4-7) African American Great Depression

Navigating Early by Clare Vanderpool (6-9) Action & Adventure; Appalachian Trail

Norvelt by Jack Gantos (5-8) Humor

1. [Dead End in Norvelt](#)
2. [From Norvelt to Nowhere](#)

One Came Home by Amy Timberlake (5-8) 1871 Wisconsin

Paperboy by Vince Vawter (6-9) 1959, Memphis

Prisoner B-3087 by Alan Gratz (6-10) Holocaust

Prisoner 88 by Leah Pileggi (5-8) 1885 Idaho Territory

The Revolution of Evelyn Serrano by S. Manzano (6-10) Hispanic America

Seeing Red by Kathryn Erskine (5-7) African American

Shadow on the Mountain by Margi Preus (6-9) Spies; Norway

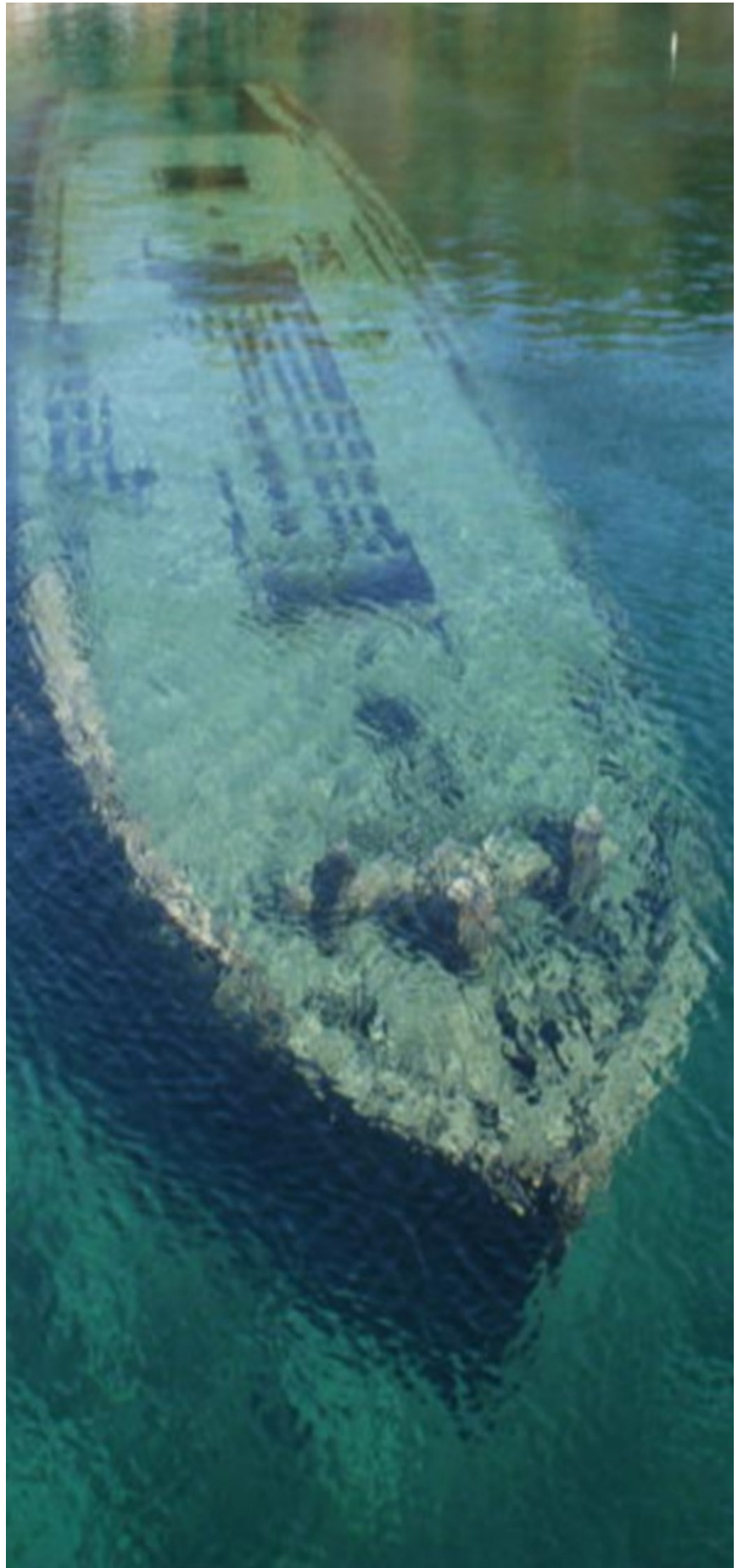
Sixties Trilogy by Deborah Wiles (5-8) Civil Rights
1. [Countdown](#) (2010)
2. [Revolution](#) (2014)

Soldier Dog by Sam Angus (YA 7+) - Military World War I

Vietnam Series by Chris Lynch (7+) Vietnam War
1. [I Pledge Allegiance](#) (2011)
2. [Sharpshooter](#) (2012)
3. [Free-Fire Zone](#) (2012)
4. [Casualties of War](#) (2013)
5. [Walking Wounded](#) (2014)

World War II Series by Chris Lynch (7+) Military World War II
1. [The Right Fight](#) (2014)
2. [Dead in the Water](#) (2014)
3. [Alive and Kicking](#) (2015)
4. [The Liberators](#) (2015)

Zasha by Randi G. Barrow (5-8) World War II
1. [Finding Zasha](#)
2. [Saving Zasha](#)





REALISTIC FICTION

AFTER ELI by Rebecca Rupp
(7+) loss and grief

BLINK ONCE by Cylin Busby
(8+) love

Buddy by M.H. Herlong (5-8)
Dog Stories; Hurricane Katrina

Chomp by Carl Hiassen (5-8)
Everglades Humor

Counting by 7's by Holly Goldberg Sloan (6-8)
Family Foster Homes

Curveball: The Year I Lost My Grip by Jordan Sonnenblick;
(7-9) friends, family, injury

Drums, Girls and Dangerous Pie by Jordan Sonnenblick (4-7)

Endangered by Eliot Schrefer
(7+) Africa; bonobo

Fourmile by Watt Key (5-8)
Alabama farm

Gaby, Lost and Found by Angela Cervantes (5-8) Hispanic American

Guitar Notes by Mary Amato
(7+) Performing Arts

Laugh With the Moon by Shana Burg (4-8)

Liar and Spy by Rebecca Stead (5-8) Bullying Fine Arts Friendship

Losing It by Erin Fry (5-8)
Family

Never Say Die by Will Hobbs
(5-7) Action & Adventure

One for the Murphys by Lynda Mullaly Hunt (5-8) Foster family

Out of My Mind by Sharon Draper (3-6)

Peace, Locomotion by Jacqueline Woodson (6-9)

Pinned by Sharon Flake
(7+) Disabled Persons

QB 1 by Mike Lupica (6-8)
Football

The Raft by S. A. Bodeen
(7+) Survival

Runaway by Wendy Van
Draanen (6-8)

The Saturday Boy by David
Fleming (5-8) Bullying

Second Chance Summer by
Morgan Matson (8+) Family

Shadow by Michael Morpurgo
(4-8) Refugees; Children
& War

Sure Signs Of Crazy by Ka-
ren Harrington (6-9) Mental
Illness

The Thing About Luck by
Cynthia Kadohata (5-8)
Asian American Family

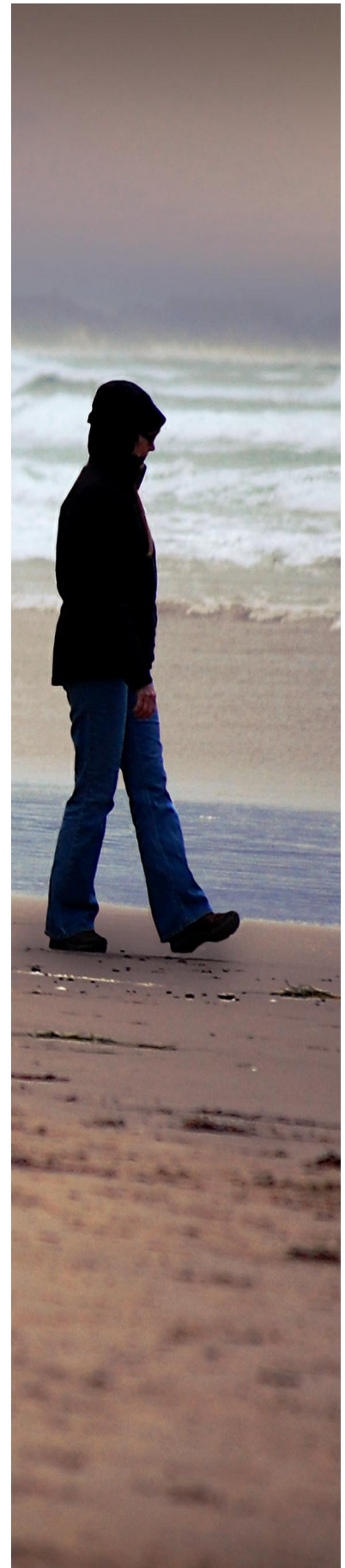
True Legend by Mike Lupica
(7+) African American Bas-
ketball

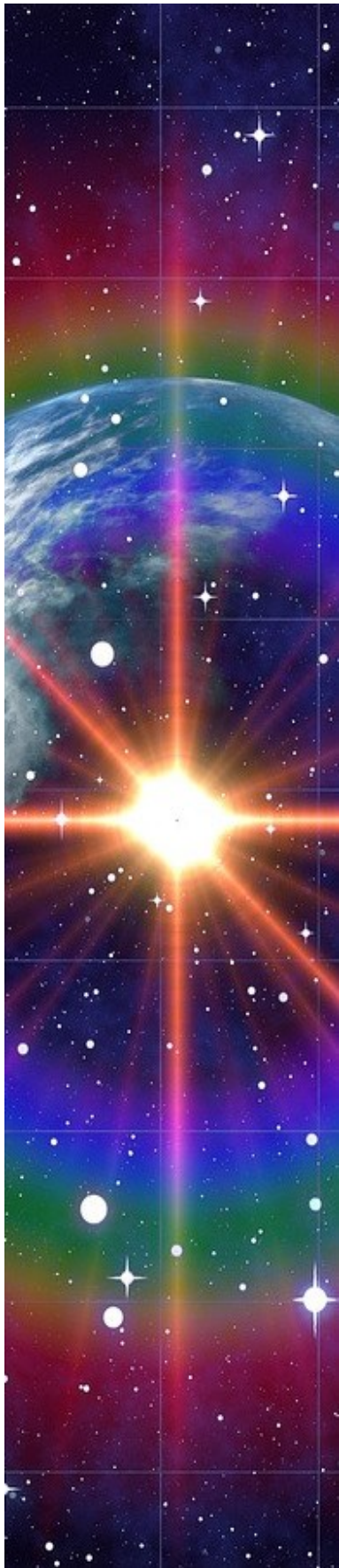
Ungifted by Gordon Korman
(5-8) Humor

The Vine Basket by Josanne
LaValley (5-9) Asian Ameri-
can

Wild Life by Cynthia De-
Felice (4-7) Dogs; Runaways

Zebra Forest by Adina Rische
Gewirtz (5-8) Family





SCIENCE FICTION

Dangerous by Shannon Hale
(7+) Action & Adventure

Fetch by Kat Falls (8+) Dystopian

1. Inhuman (2013)

In the After by Demitria Lunetta (8+) Survival

1. In the After (2013)

2. In the End (2014)

Lunar Chronicles by Marissa Meyer (7-10)

1. Cinder (2012)

2. Scarlet (2013)

3. Cress (2014)

4. Fairest: Levana's Story

5. Winter (Nov 10, 2015)

Many-Worlds Trilogy by Anna Jarzab (7+) Action & Adventure

1. Tandem (2013)

2. Tether (2015)

A Matter of Days by Amber Kizer (8+)

Michael Vey series by Richard Paul Evans (6-8)

1. The Prisoner of Cell 25 (2011)

2. Rise of the Elgen (2012)

3. Battle of the Ampere (2013)

4. Hunt for Jade Dragon (2014)

MILA 2.0 by Debra Driza (8+) Action & Adventure

1. Mila 2.0 (2013)

2. Renegade (2014)

3. Redemption (2015)

The Neptune Project by Polly Holyoke (6-8)

1. The Neptune Project (2013)

2. The Neptune Challenge (2015)

3. The Neptune Dilemma (2015)

Seven Wonders by Peter Lerangis (6-9) Action & Adventure

1. The Colossus Rises (2013)
2. Lost in Babylon (2013)
3. The Tomb of Shadows (2014)
4. The Curse of the King (2015)

SYLO by D. J. MacHale (8+) Action & Adventure

1. Sylo (2013)
2. Storm (2014)
3. Strike (2014)

Accelerati Trilogy by Neal Shusterman (4-8) Action & Adventure

1. Tesla's Attic (2014)
2. Edison's Alley (2015)

The Testing by Joelle Charbonneau((8+) Dystopian

1. The Testing (2013)
2. Independent Study (2014)
3. Graduation Day (2014)

Variant by Robison Wells (7+)



POPULAR SERIES TOO GOOD TO MISS

KAREN BAO

Dove Chronicles YA 7+

1. Dove Arising (2015)

DAVID BALDACCI

Finisher 6 – 9

1. The Finisher (2014)
2. The Keeper (2015)

KIERA CASS

Selection YA 8+

1. The Selection (2012)
2. The Elite (2013)
3. The One (2014)
4. The Heir (2015) May 5, 2015.

CASSANDRA CLARE

Magisterium (with Holly Black) 5-8

1. The Iron Trial (2014)
2. The Copper Gauntlet (2015) September 1, 2015.

JAMES DASHNER

Maze Runner YA 8+

1. The Maze Runner (2009)
2. The Scorch Trials (2010)
3. The Death Cure (2011)

Morality Doctrine YA 8+

1. The Eye of Minds (2013)
2. The Rule of Thoughts (2014)
3. The Game of Lives (2015)

TIM GREEN

Football Genius 5-8

1. Football Genius (2007)
2. Football Hero (2008)
3. Football Champ (2009)
4. The Big Time (2010)
5. Deep Zone (2011)
6. Perfect Season (2013)

Baseball Great 5-8

1. Baseball Great (2009)
2. Rivals (2010)
3. Best of the Best (2011)

New Kid 5-8

1. New Kid (2014)
2. First Team (2014)

MARIE LU

Legend YA 7+

1. Legend (2011)
2. Prodigy (2013)
3. Champion (2013)

Young Elites YA 8+

1. The Young Elites (2014)
2. The Rose Society (2015)
October 6, 2015.

MIKE LUPICA

Travel Team 5-8

1. Travel Team (2004)
2. Summer Ball (2007)

Game Changers 5-8

1. Game Changers (2012)
2. Play Makers (2013)
3. Heavy Hitters (2014)

Home Team 5-8

1. The Only Game (2015)

JAMES PATTERSON

I Funny series 5-8

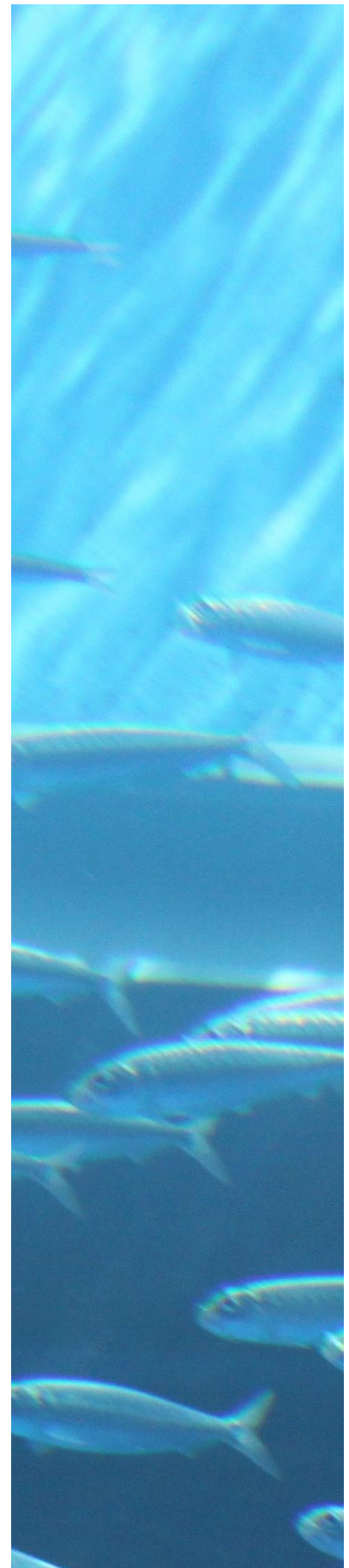
I, Funny (with Chris Grabenstein)

1. I, Funny (2012)
2. I Even Funnier (2013)
3. I Totally Funniest (2015)

Middle School series 5-8

Middle School

1. The Worst Years of My Life (2011) (with Chris Tebbetts)
2. Get Me Out of Here! (2012) (with Chris Tebbetts)
3. My Brother Is a Big, Fat Liar (2013) (with Lisa Papademetriou)
aka *Big Fat Liar*
4. How I Survived Bullies, Broccoli, and Snake Hill (2013) (with Chris Tebbetts)
5. Ultimate Showdown (2014) (with Julia Bergen)
6. Save Rafe! (2014) (with Chris Tebbetts)
7. Just My Rotten Luck (2015) (with Chris Tebbetts)





MORE

POPULAR SERIES

Daniel X 7-10

1. Dangerous Days of Daniel X (2008) (with Michael Ledwidge)
2. Watch the Skies (2009) (with Ned Rust)
3. Demons and Druids (2010) (with Adam Sadler)
4. Game Over (2011) (with Ned Rust)
5. Armageddon (2012) (with Chris Grabenstein)
6. Lights Out (2015) (with Chris Grabenstein)
- Alien Hunter (2008) (with Leopoldo Gout)

SUSAN BETH PFEFFER

Last Survivors YA, 6-8

1. Life as We Knew It (2006)
2. The Dead and the Gone (2008)
3. This World We Live In (2010)
4. The Shade of the Moon (2013)

KATHY REICHS

Virals 6-10

1. Virals (2010)
2. Seizure (2011)
- 2.5. Shift (2013) (with Brendan Reichs)
3. Code (2013) (with Brendan Reichs)
- 3.5. Swipe (2013) (with Brendan Reichs)
4. Exposure (2014) (with Brendan Reichs)
5. Terminal (2015) (with Brendan Reichs)

RANSOM RIGGS

Miss Peregrine YA 8+

1. Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children (2011)
2. Hollow City (2014)
3. Library of Souls (2015)

ROLAND SMITH

I.Q. 5-8

1. Independence Hall (2008)
2. The White House (2010)

3. Kitty Hawk (2012)
4. The Alamo (2013) (with Michael P Spradlin)
5. The Windy City (2014) (with Michael P Spradlin)
6. Alcatraz (2014) (with Michael P Spradlin)

LEMONY SNICKET

All the Wrong Questions 5-8

1. Who Could That Be At This Hour? (2012)
2. When Did You See Her Last? (2013)
3. Shouldn't You Be in School? (2014)

4. Why Is This Night Different from All Other Nights? (2015) September 29, 2015.

ERIC WALTERS

The Rule of Three YA

7+

1. The Rule of Three (2014)
2. Fight for Power (2015)

KASIE WEST

Pivot Point 8+

1. Pivot Point (2013)
2. Split Second (2014)





THE 2015—2016 SSYRA LIST

Counting by 7's by Holly Goldberg Sloan

The Eighth Day by Dianne. K. Salerni

Eye of the Storm by Kate Messner

Jack Strong Takes a Stand by Tommy Greenwald

Jungle of Bones by Ben Mikaelson

The Night Gardener by Jonathan Auxier

Project Jackalope by Emily Ecton

The Secret of Rover by Rachel Wildavsky

Seeing Red by Katherine Erskine

Skink No Surrender by Carl Hiaasen

Stung by Bethany Wiggins

Tesla's Attic by Neal Shusterman

The Testing by Joelle Charbonneau

This Journal Belongs to Ratchet by Nancy
Cavanaugh

Twerp by Mark Goldblatt

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