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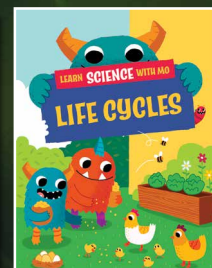
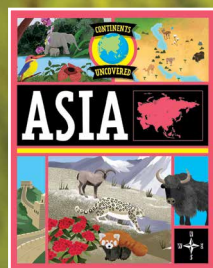
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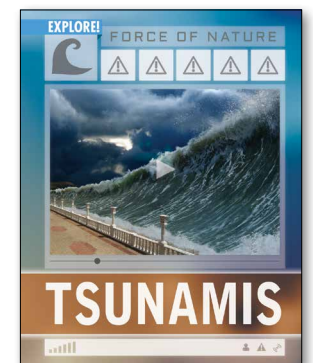
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Emerging readers are on a constant search for knowledge. They're hungry for answers to their questions that they can easily understand. Aimed at these early elementary readers in both content and comprehension, **Investigate!** books support second and third grade curricula as well as fulfill readers' innate need to learn more about the people, places, and processes around them.



EXPLORE!

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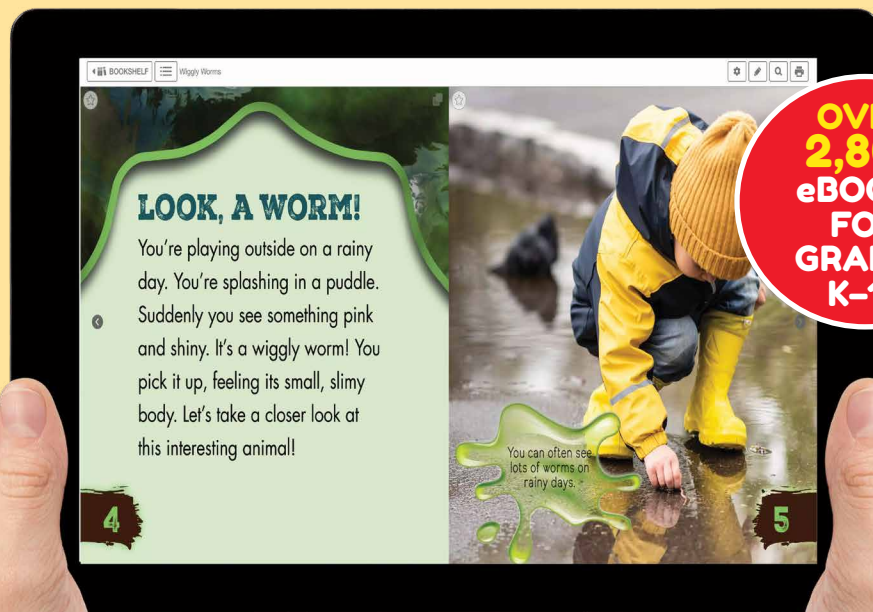
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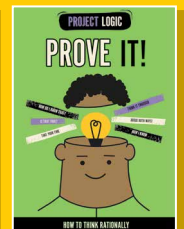
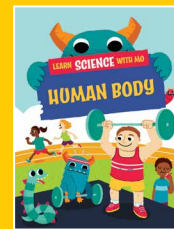
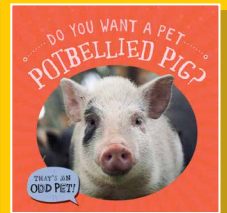
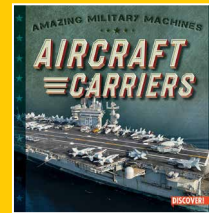
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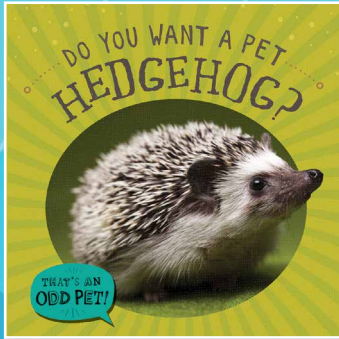


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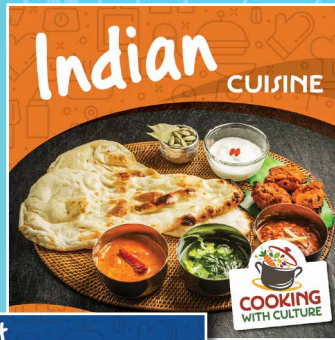
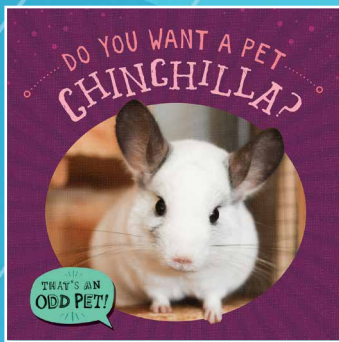
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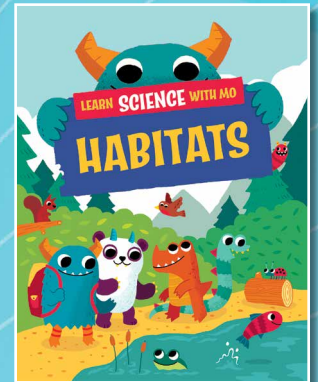
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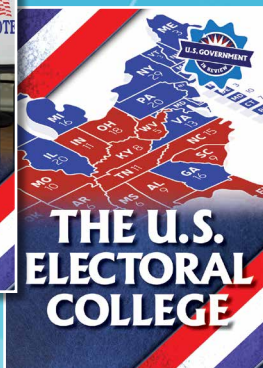
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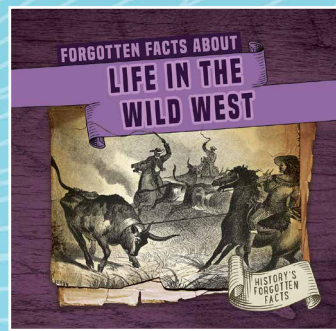


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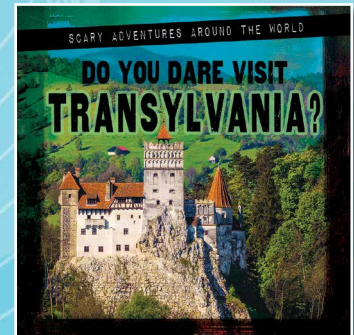
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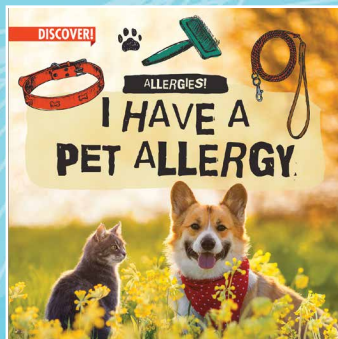
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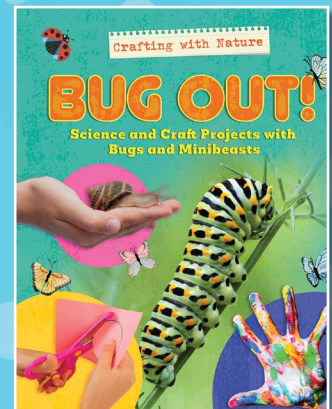
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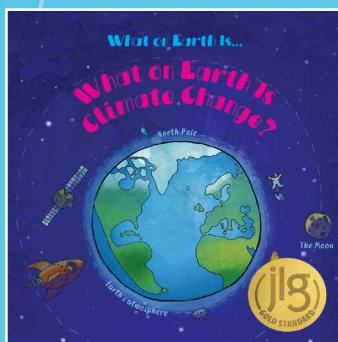
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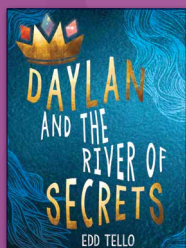
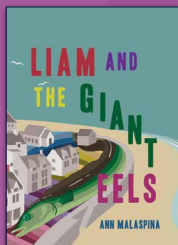
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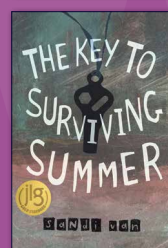
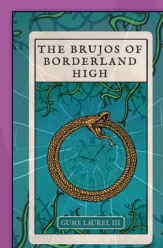
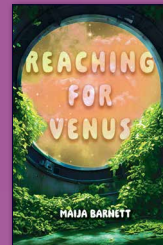
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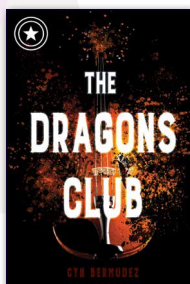
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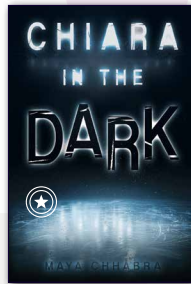


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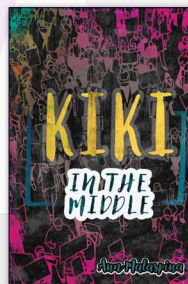
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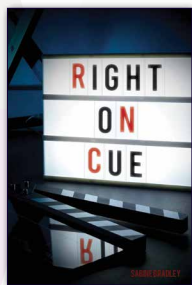
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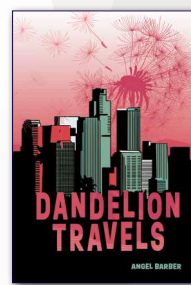
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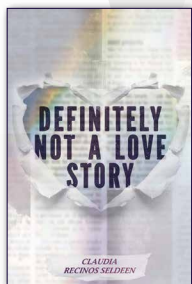
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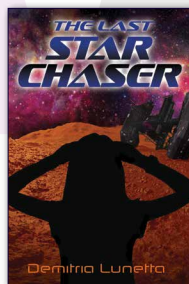
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"A strong, emotionally complex choice for reluctant readers." —*Kirkus*



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"An endearingly romantic story told in engaging verse.... Captivating and sweet." —*Kirkus Reviews*
"Artfully expresses the emotional roller coaster of Ana's travails, which feel familiar and are sometimes heartbreaking." —*Publishers Weekly*



The Last Star Chaser

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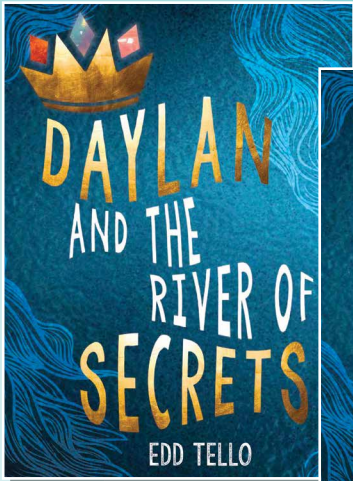
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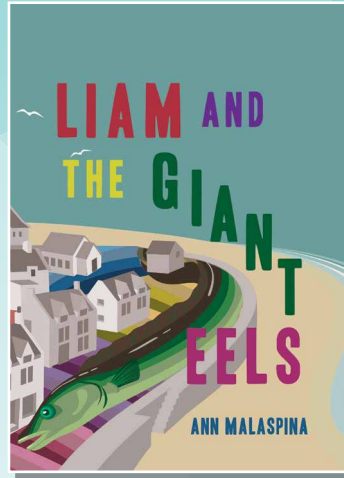
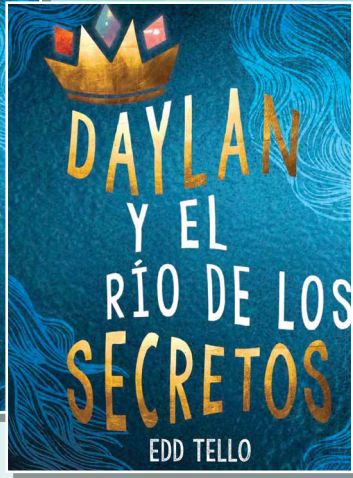


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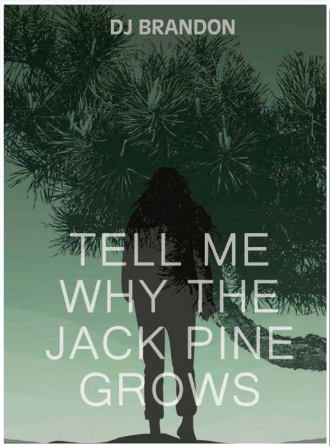


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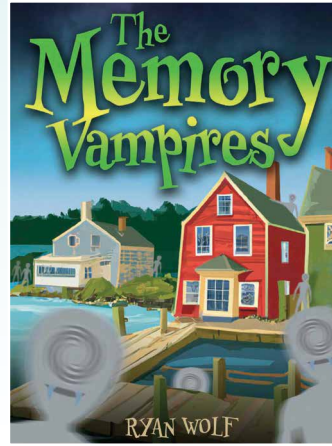
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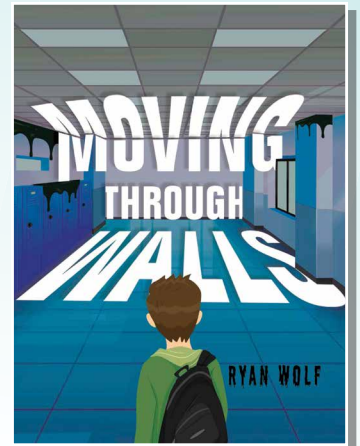
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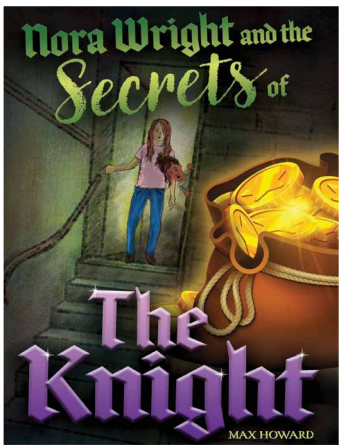
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"A harrowing survival adventure in which a teen must keep a calm head when disaster strikes. . . . Grant depicts the unfolding sibling relationship and Oliver's burgeoning self-confidence with tenderness and heart."
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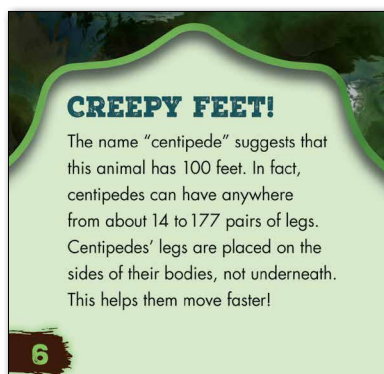
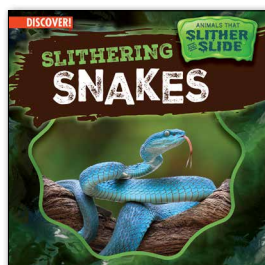
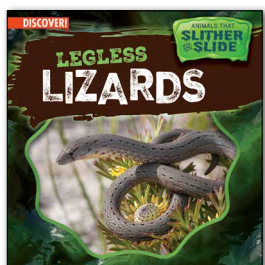
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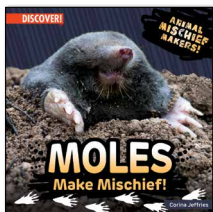
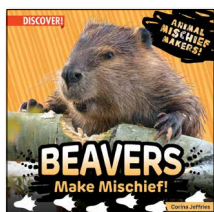
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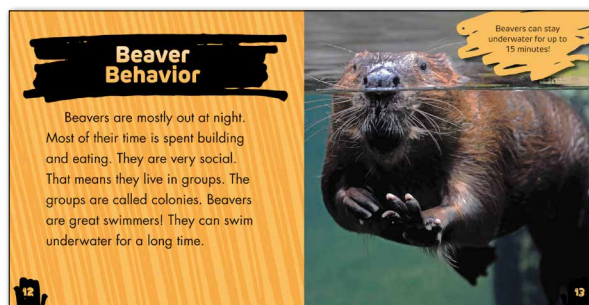
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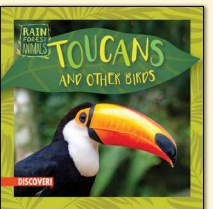
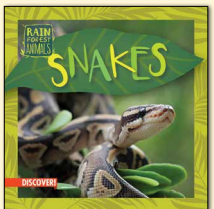
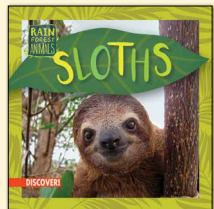
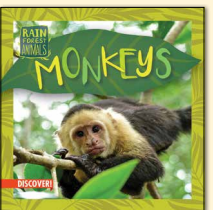
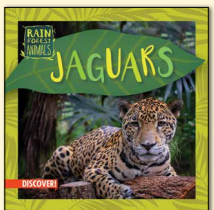
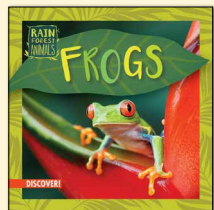
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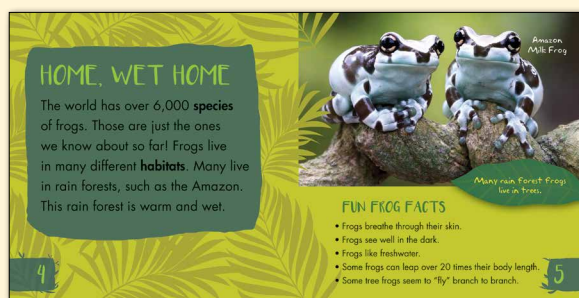
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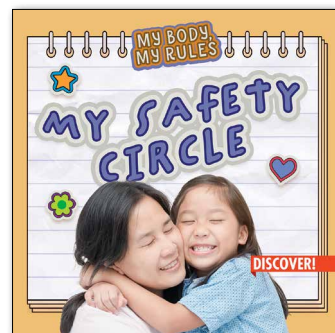
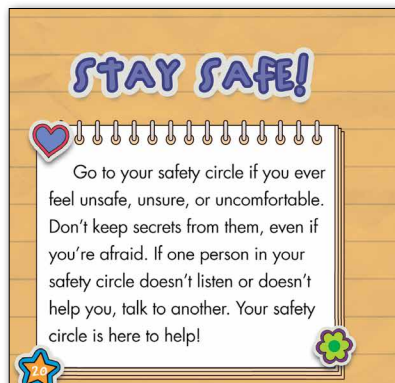
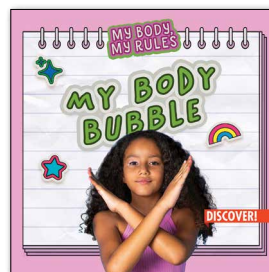
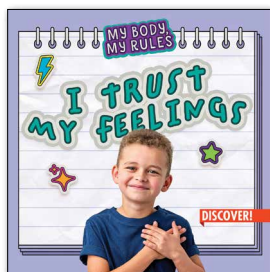
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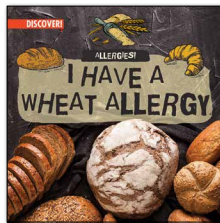
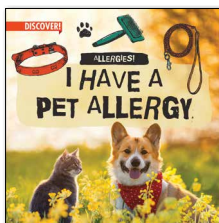
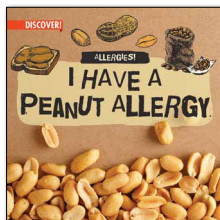
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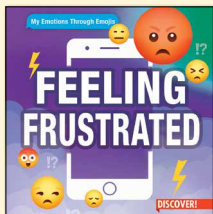
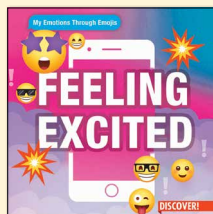
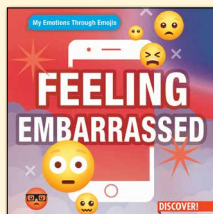
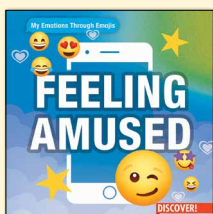
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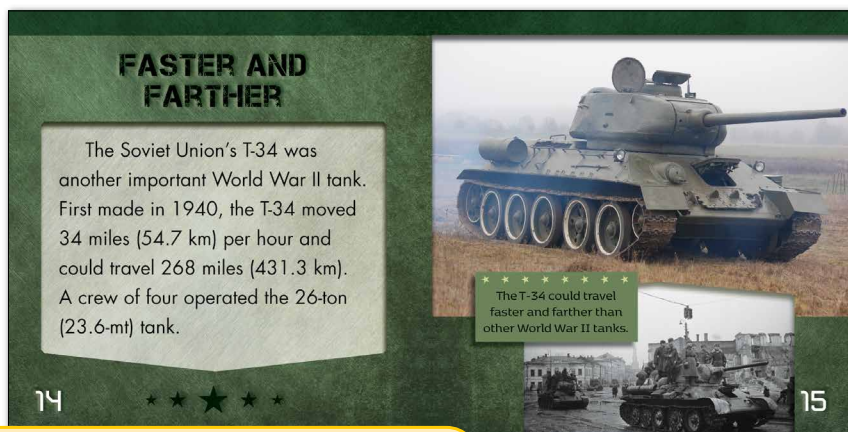
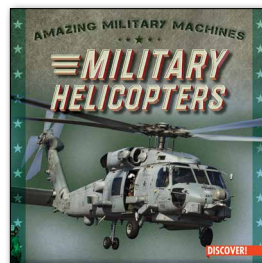
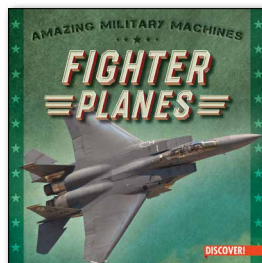
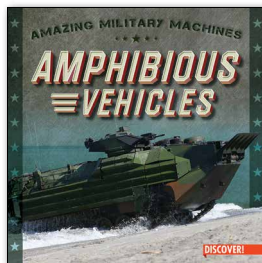
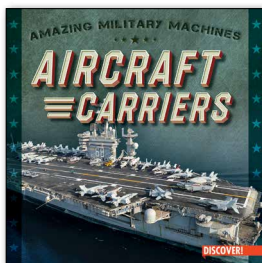
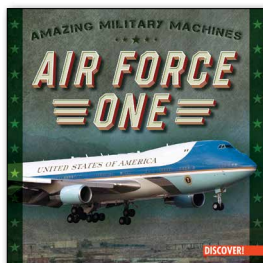
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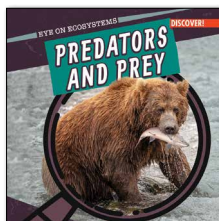
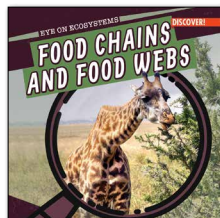
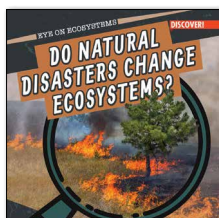
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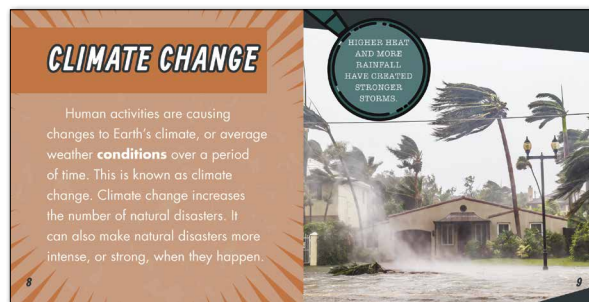
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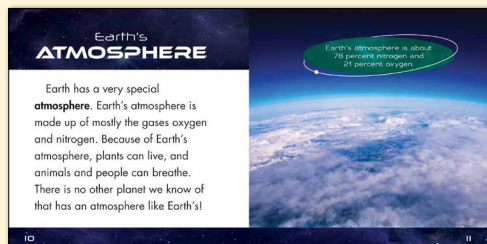
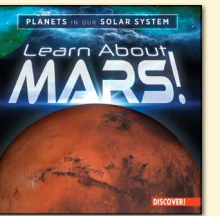
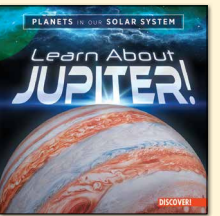
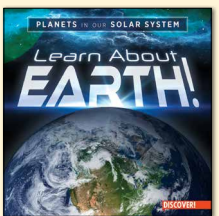
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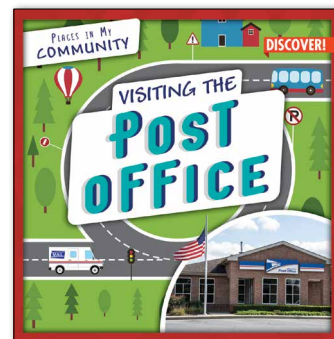
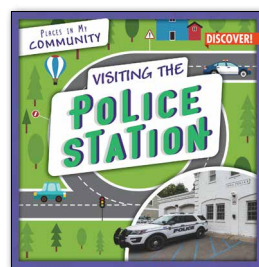
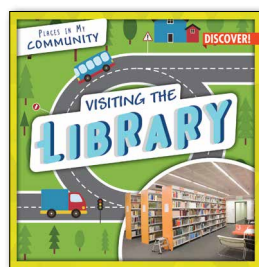
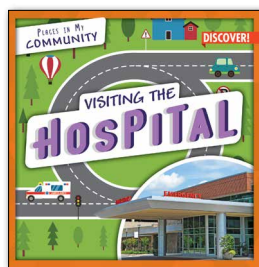
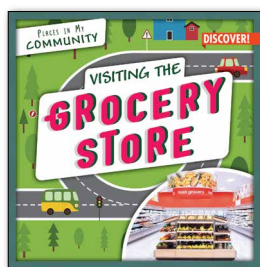
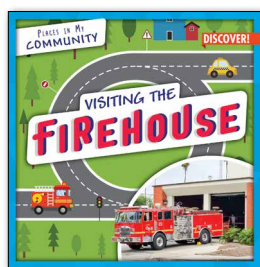
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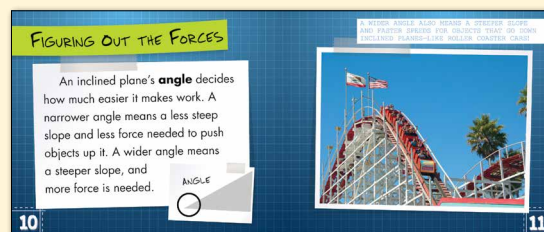
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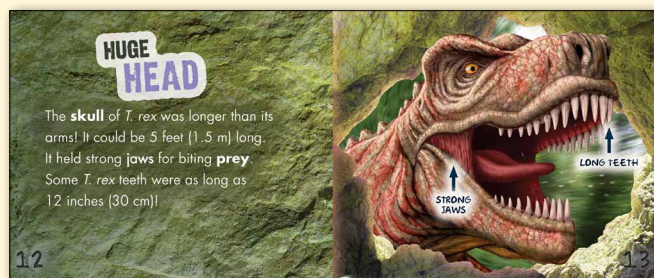
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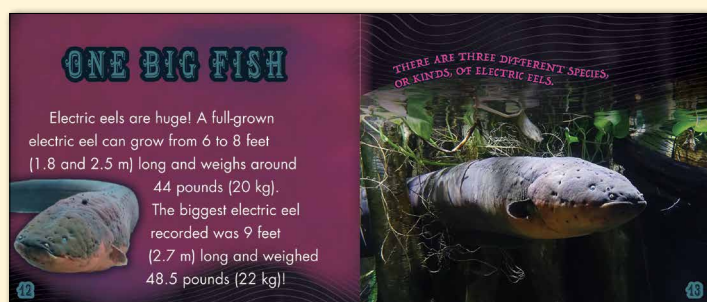
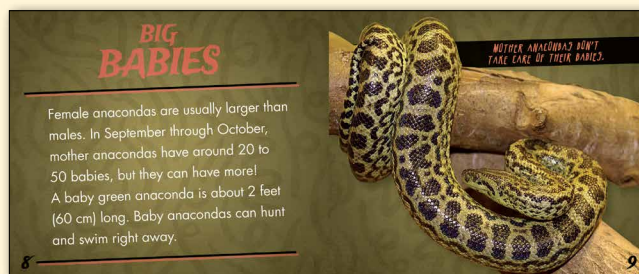
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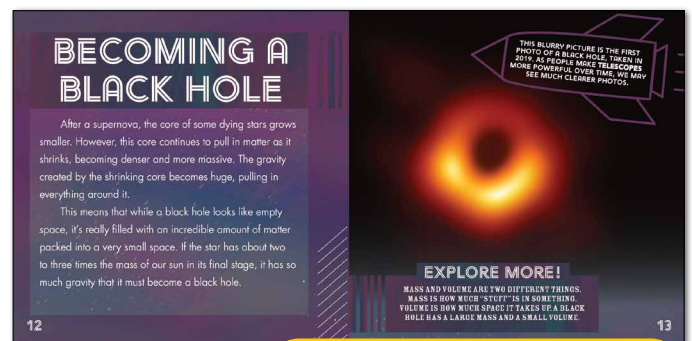
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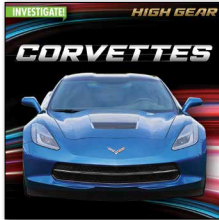
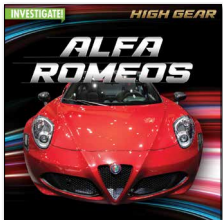
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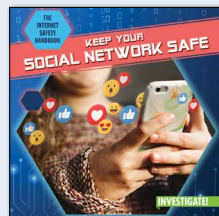
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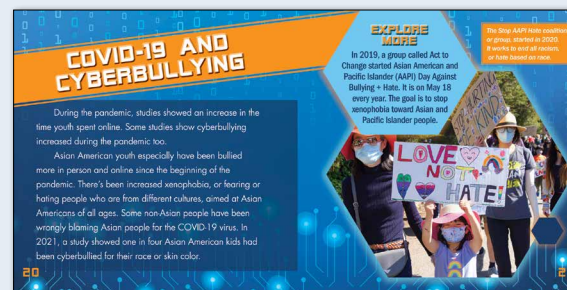
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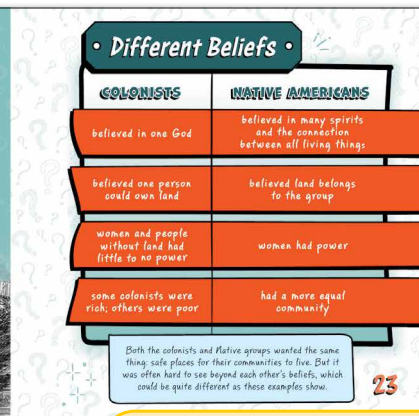
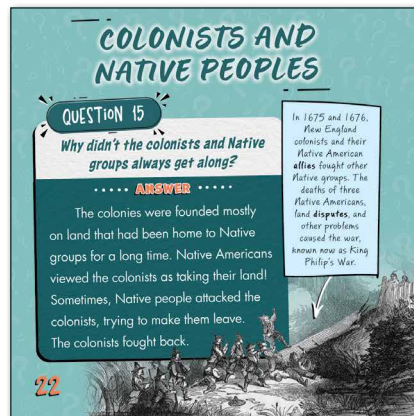
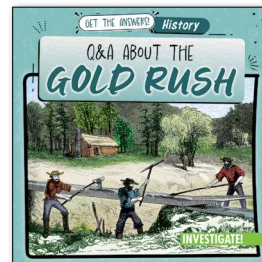
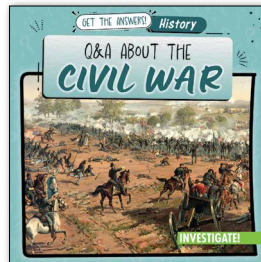
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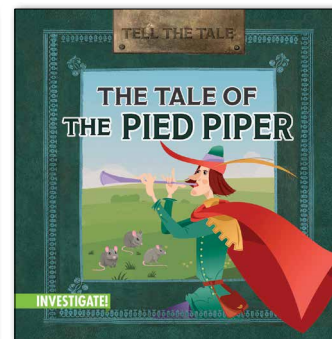
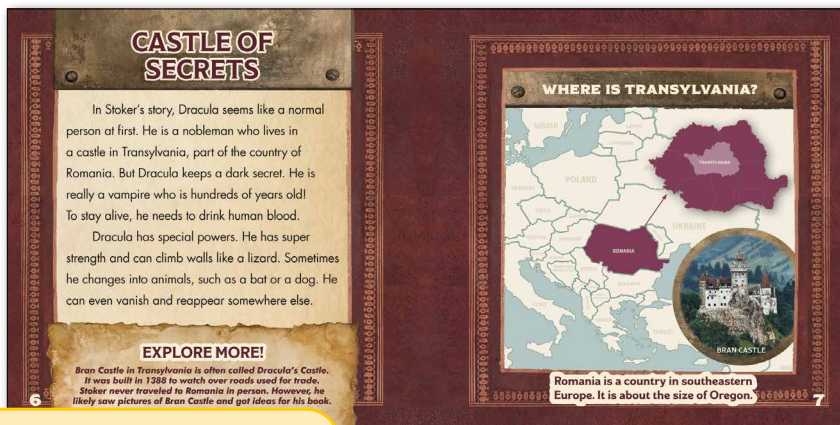
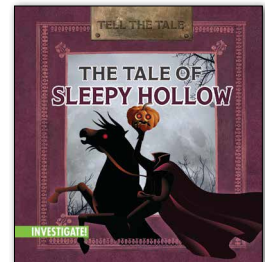
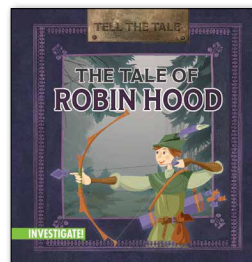
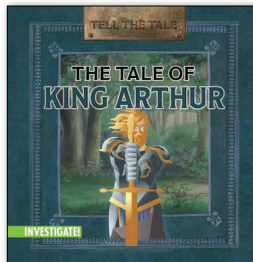
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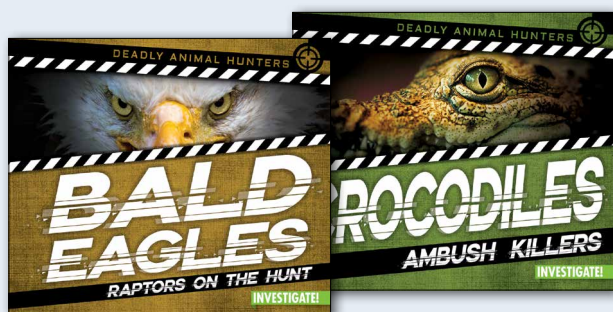
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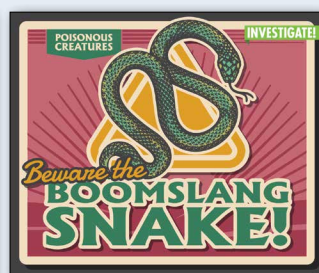
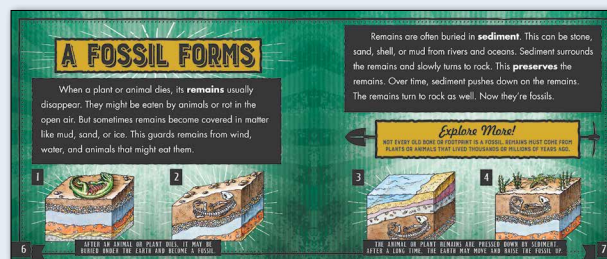
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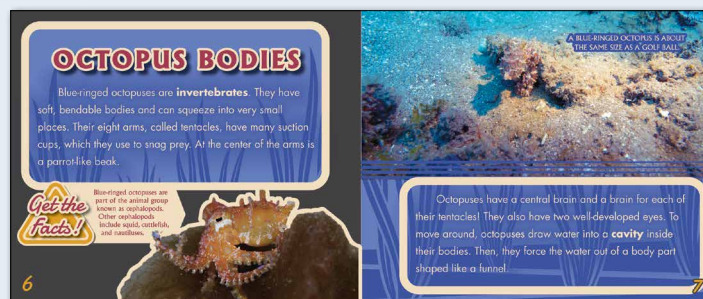
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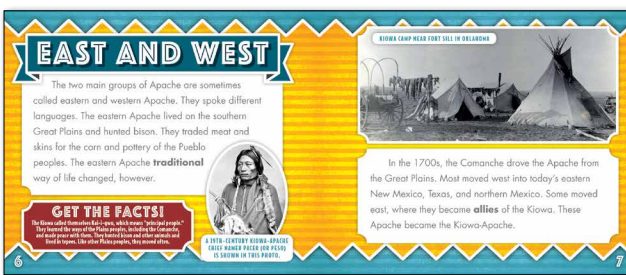
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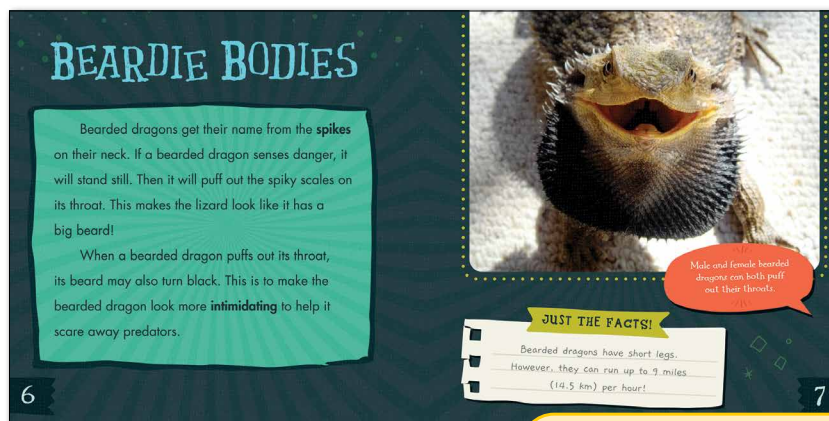
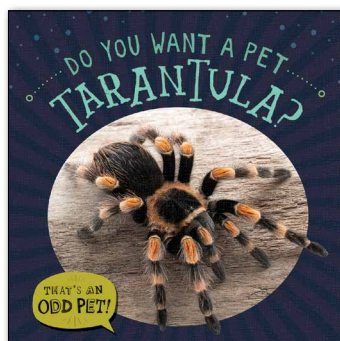
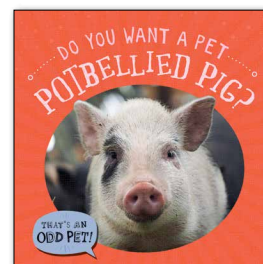
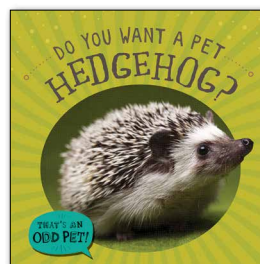
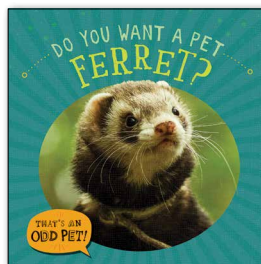
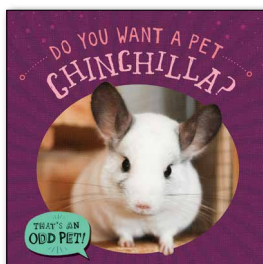
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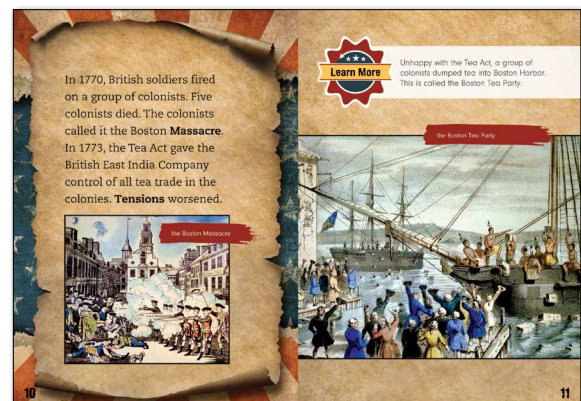
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The rock cycle is one of Earth's most amazing natural processes. This series introduces readers to the different kinds of rocks found in the ground, as well as how they're made and how they're used. Readers will love learning about how igneous, sedimentary, and metamorphic rocks are related, as well as what makes them so unique. Bright, full-color photographs accompany accessible text to help readers fully grasp this essential Earth science concept. This hi-lo series is the perfect addition to early elementary science curricula, and is sure to show kids just why Earth science rocks.

- *Exploration of rocks and the rock cycle is a great addition to other Earth science topics such as volcanoes and weather*
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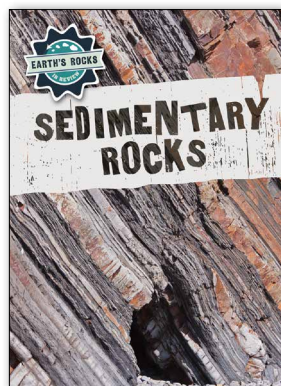
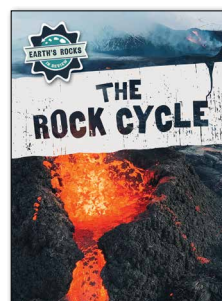
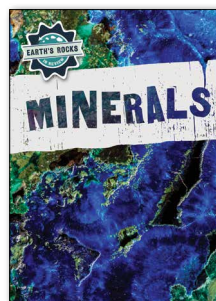
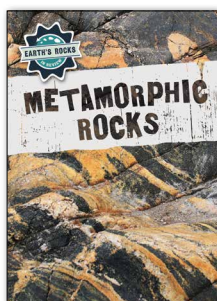
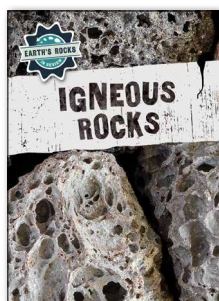
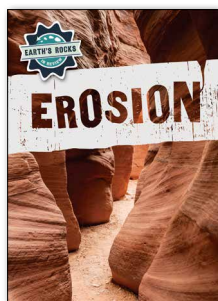
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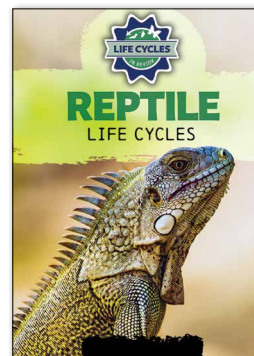
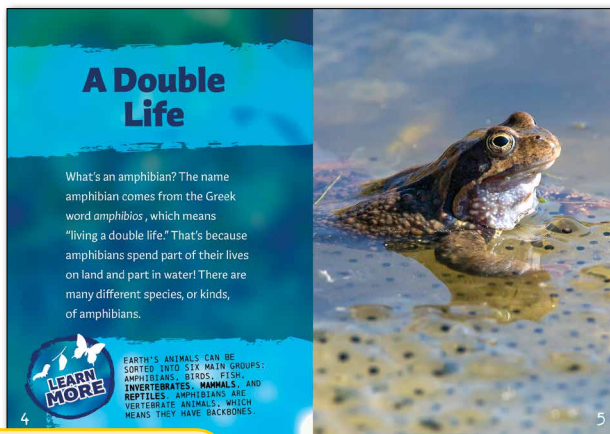
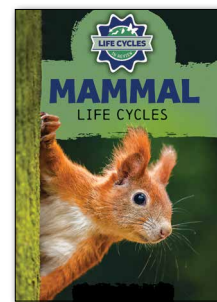
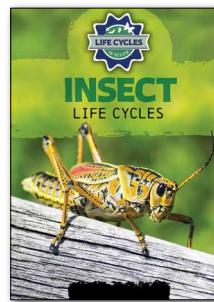
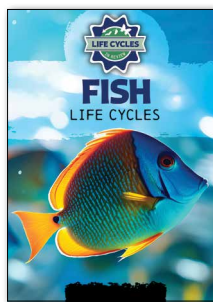
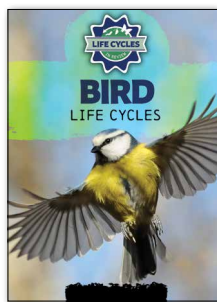
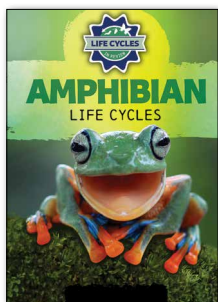
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How do the movements of the sun and moon influence life on Earth? How does water change form and move across the planet? How is energy transferred within an ecosystem? Readers will learn the answers to these questions and more in this educational set about Earth's processes. Each book in the series gives a simple overview of nature's cycles and is designed to help students better understand the world around them. Accessible language will help struggling readers understand these critical science concepts.

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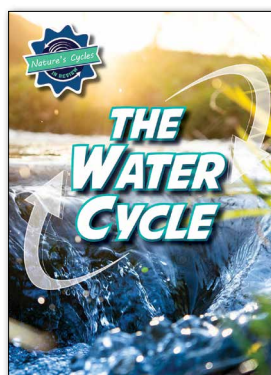
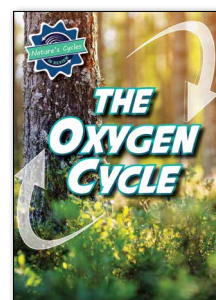
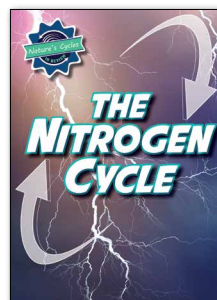
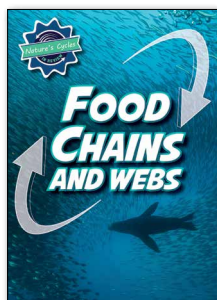
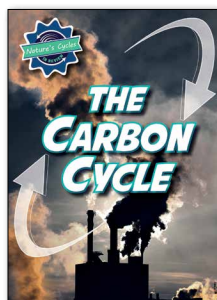
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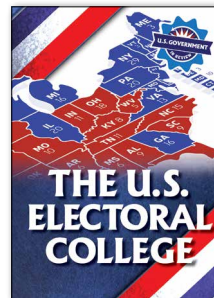
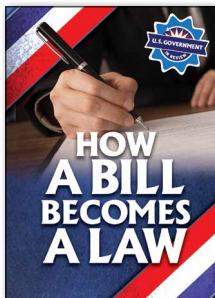
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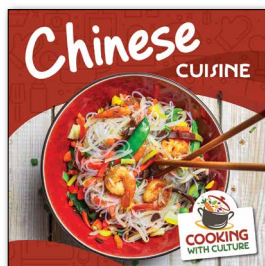
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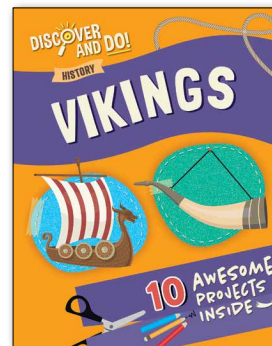
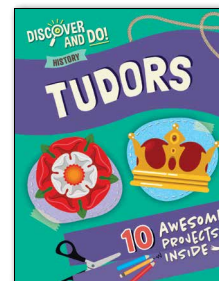
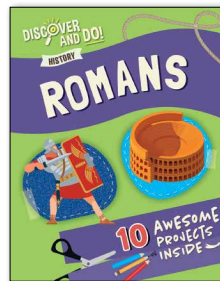
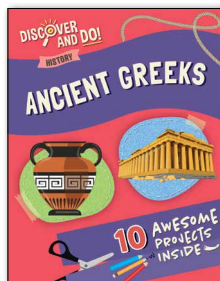
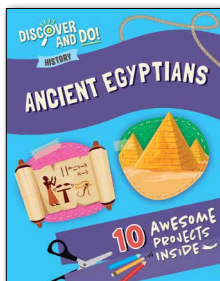
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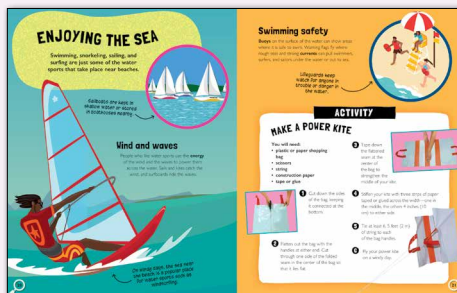
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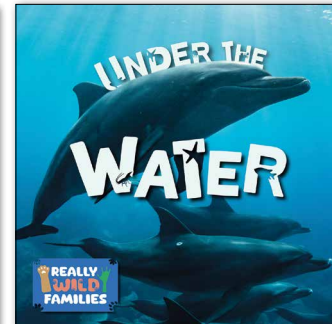
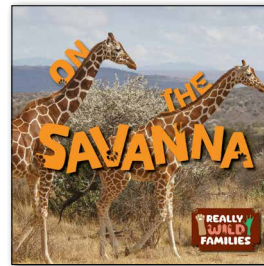
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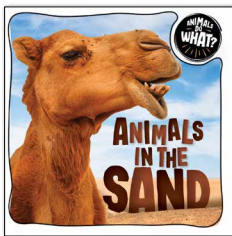
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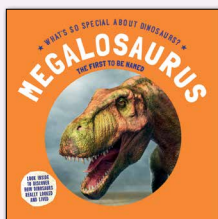
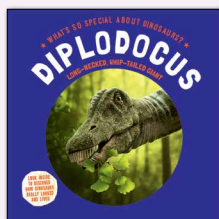
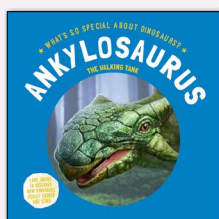
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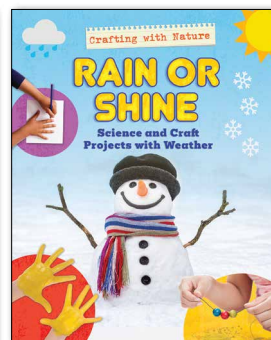
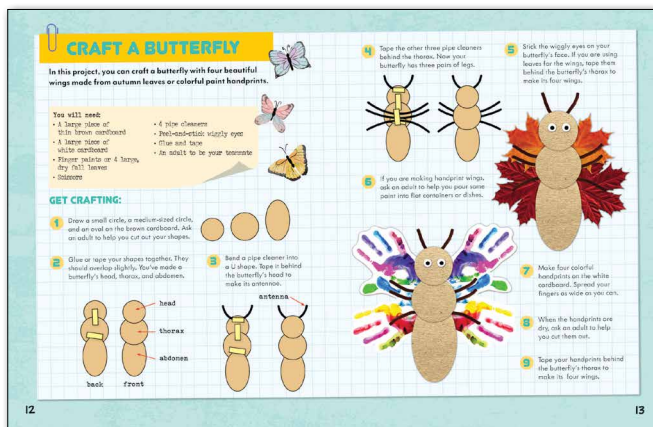
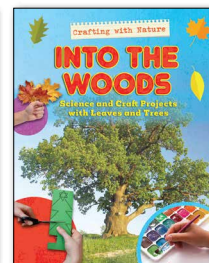
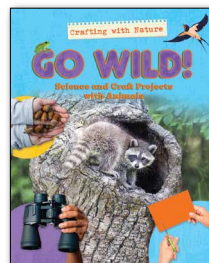
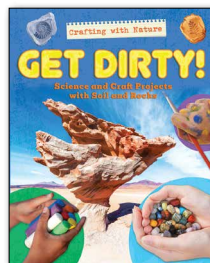
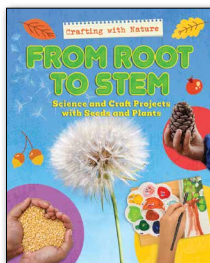
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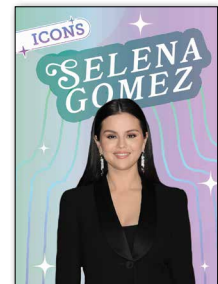
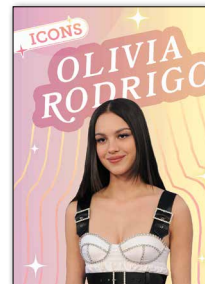
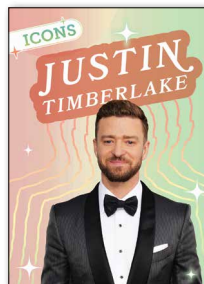
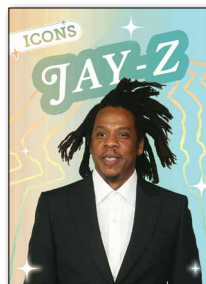
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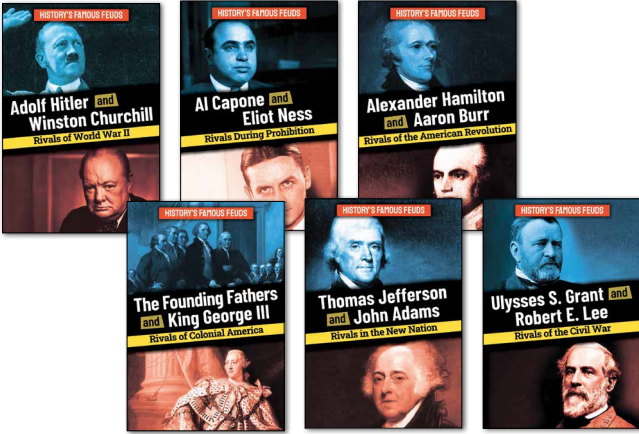
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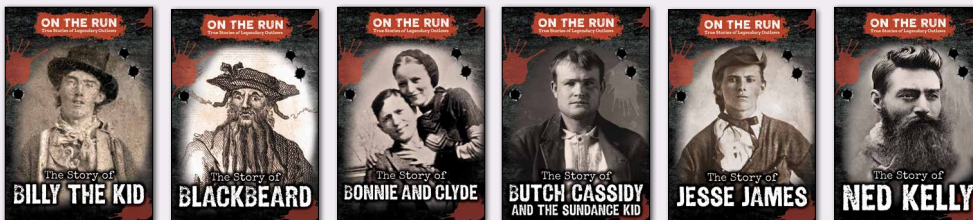
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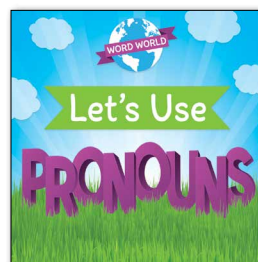
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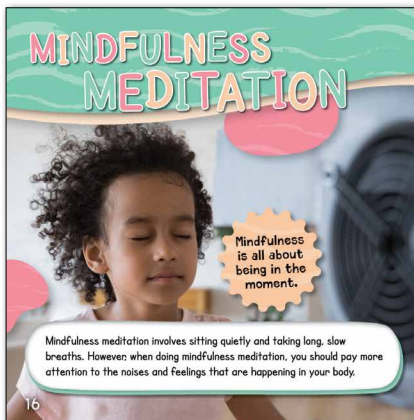
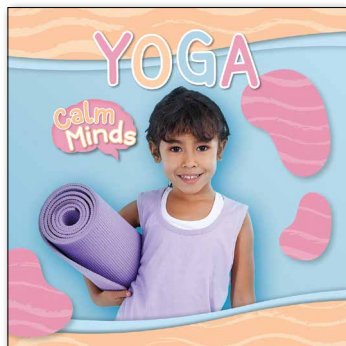
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It sometimes feels like kids in school are sick all the time! From colds and stomach bugs going around a classroom to ear infections that result from colds or the flu, the list of common illnesses can seem daunting—and so can dealing with them! In this set, readers and caregivers alike can find colorful, illustrated stories about kids who have dealt with a variety of health issues, such as head lice or tonsillitis. The science behind the spread of these problems is included in the main content as well as how to stop or slow the spread.

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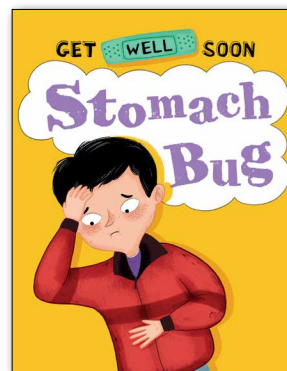
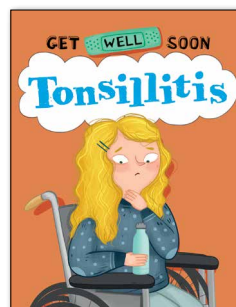
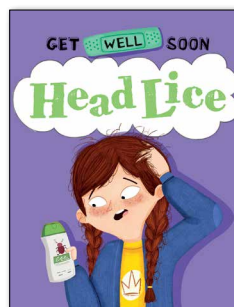
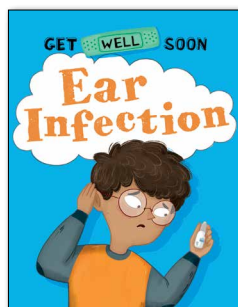
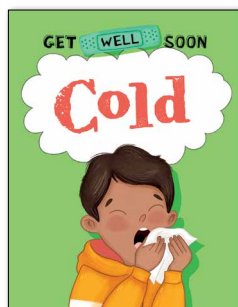
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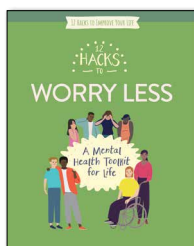
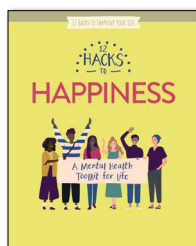
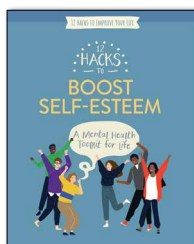
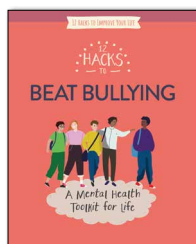
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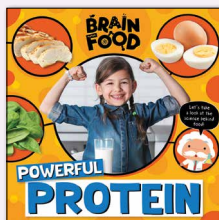
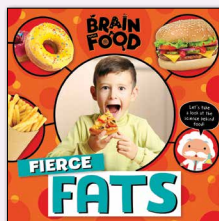
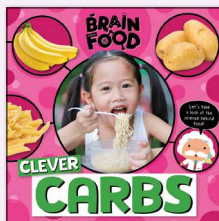
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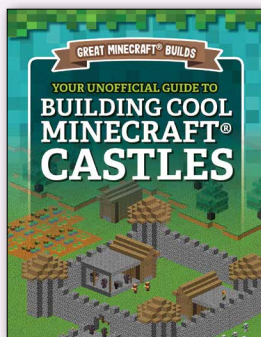
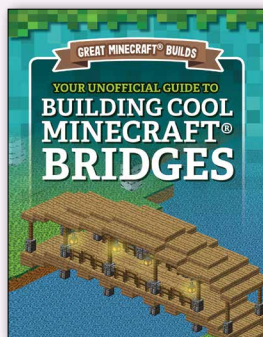
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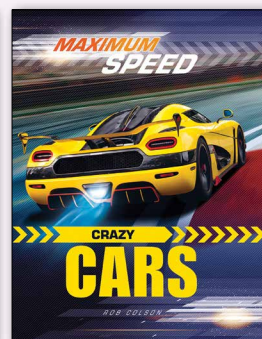
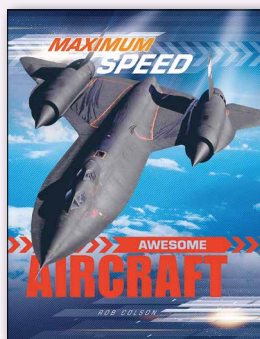
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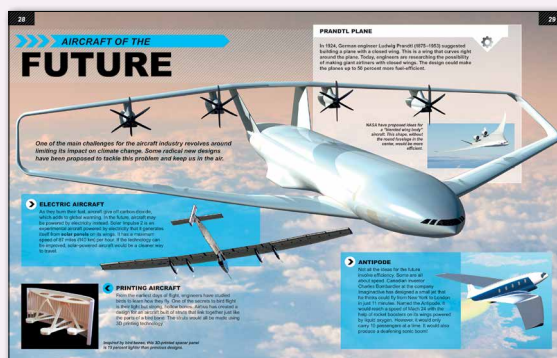
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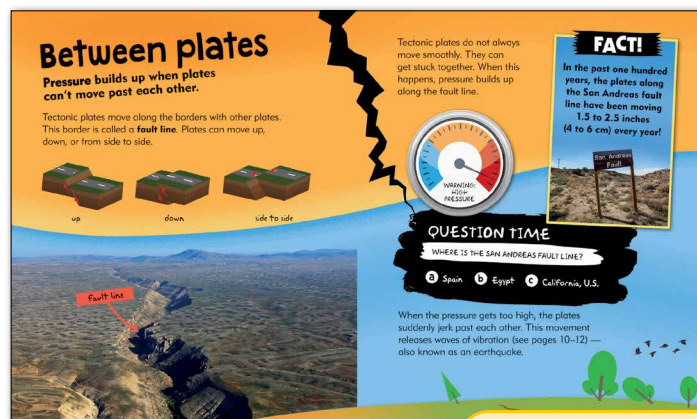
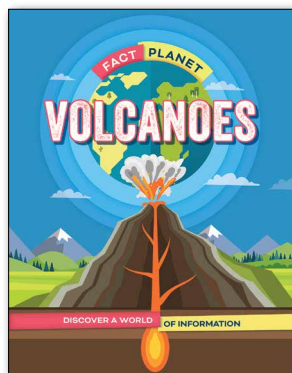
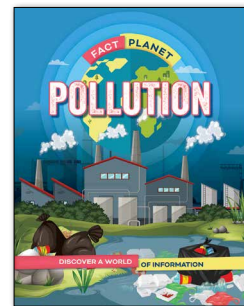
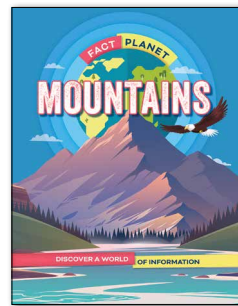
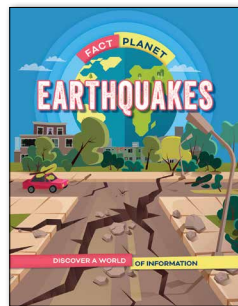
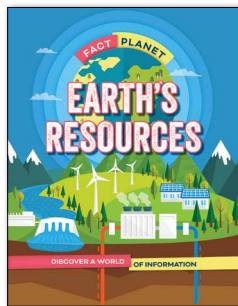
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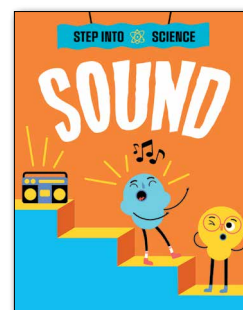
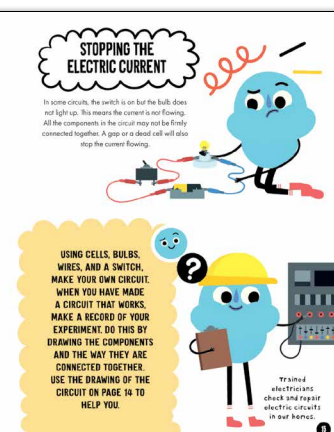
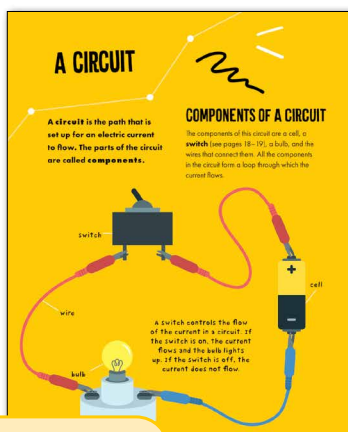
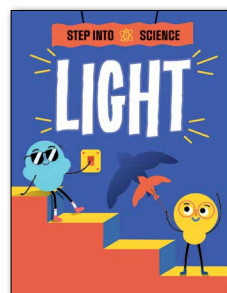
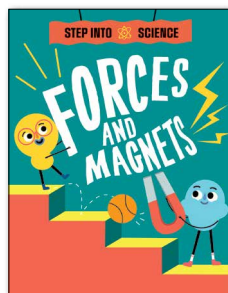
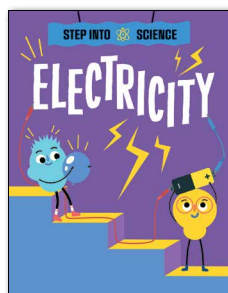
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- Includes two to five activities with five steps or less, as well as questions with an answer key
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What could be more fun than learning about habitats, the body, plants, and more with a cute, blue monster named Mo? In each book, readers meet Mo, ready to go on an adventure and discover more about the title topic. Each chapter explores a different aspect of the topic, from savannas to the main features of winter and summer. Colorful illustrations of Mo and friends add fun and whimsy to curricular science content such as food chains, body systems, and plant parts.

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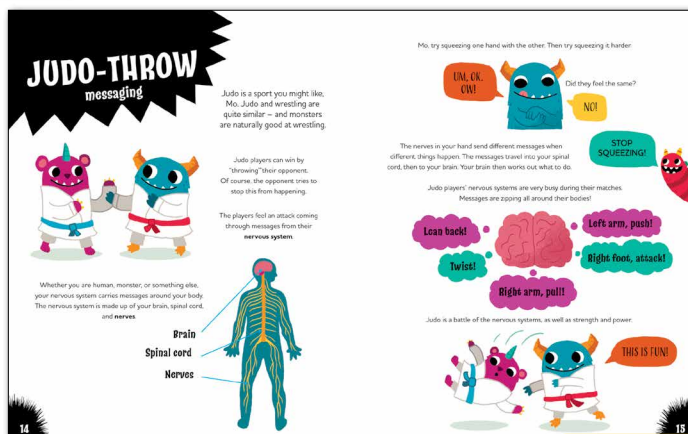
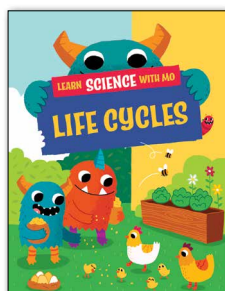
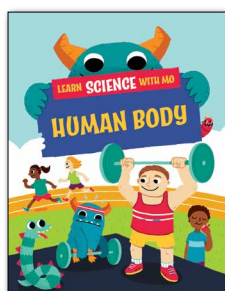
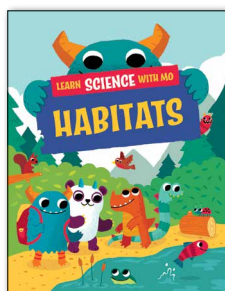
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Earth needs help. That much is often clear to even young children. But terms like intensive farming and climate change can seem like another language to them! Even pollution and renewable energy often need further explanation. This set introduces six topics related to conservation for emerging readers with beautiful, colorful images paired with simple, achievable language. Age-appropriate content explains key conservation concepts like greenhouse gases and ocean dead zones to young scientists ready to take charge and care for Earth.

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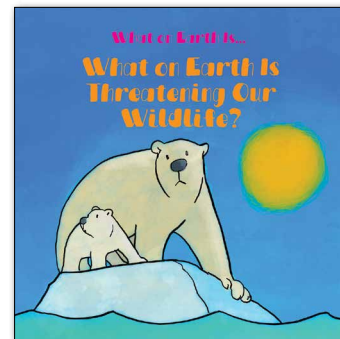
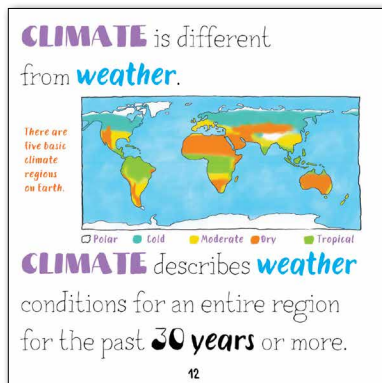
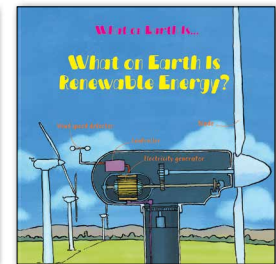
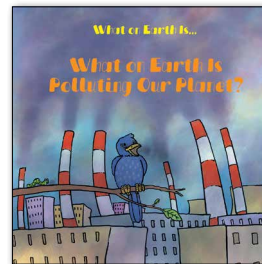
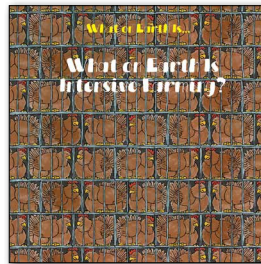
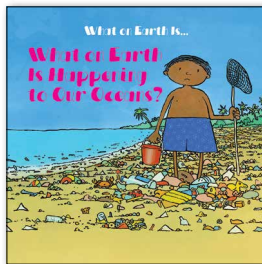
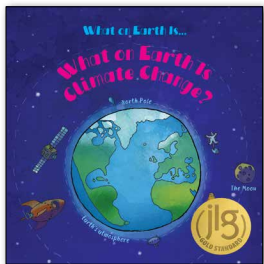
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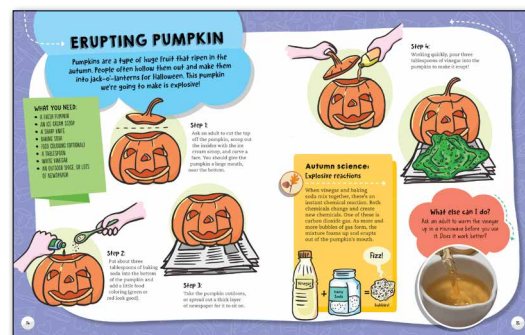
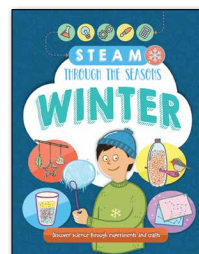
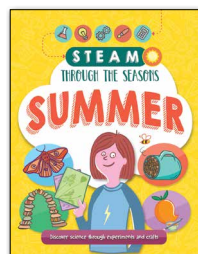
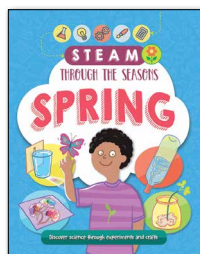
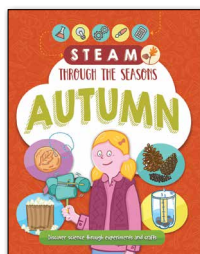
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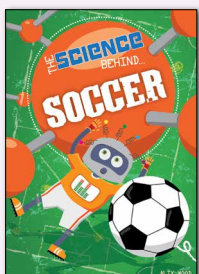
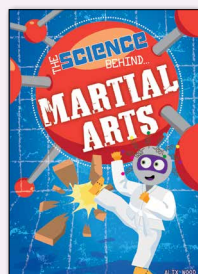
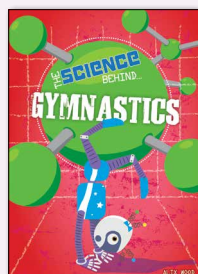
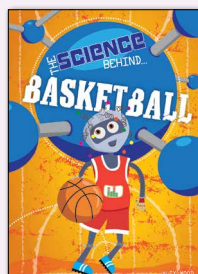
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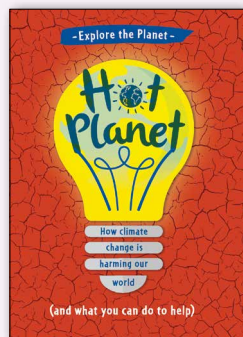
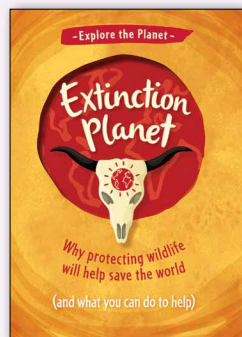
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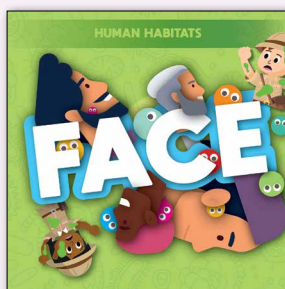
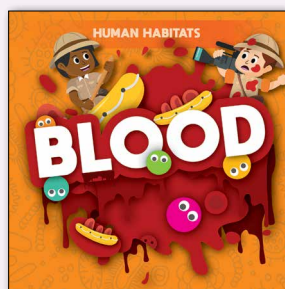
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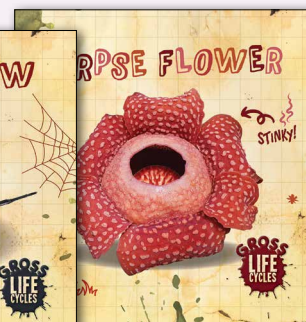
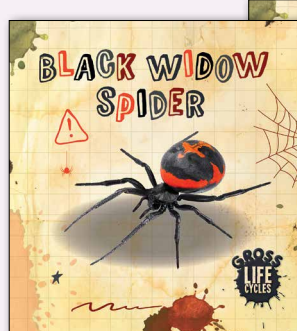
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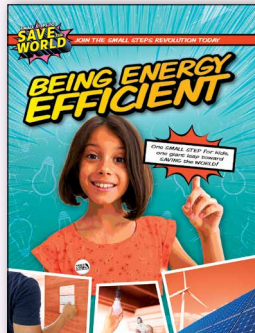
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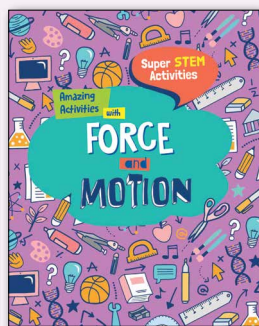
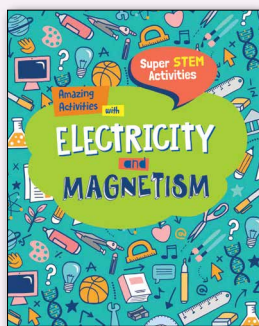
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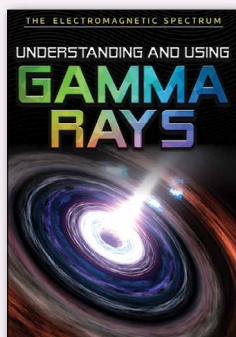
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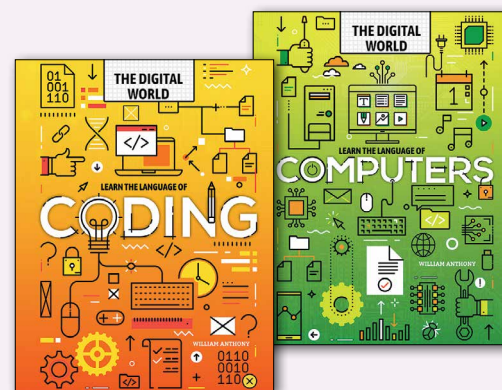
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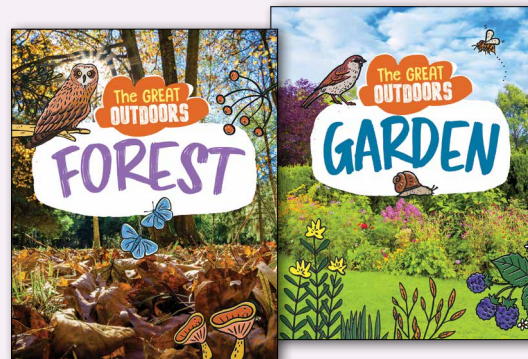
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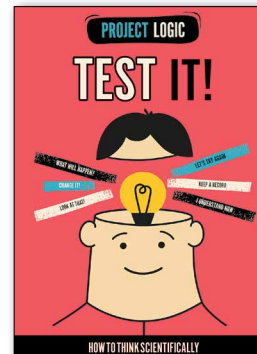
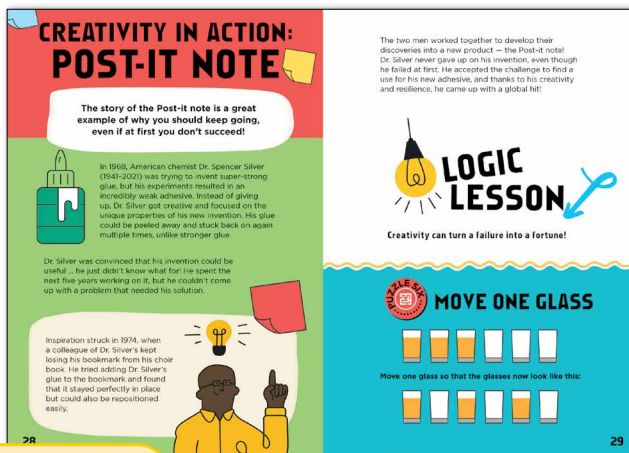
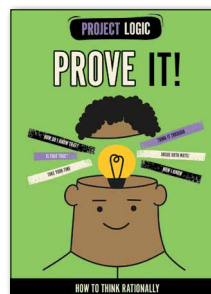
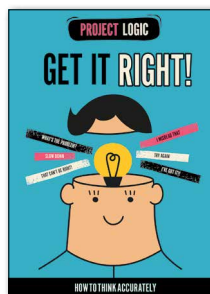
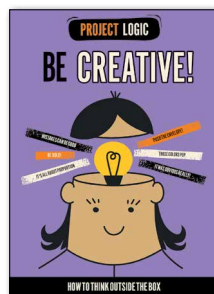
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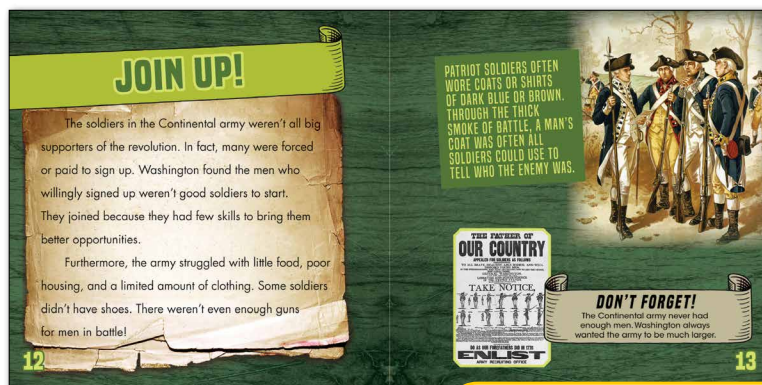
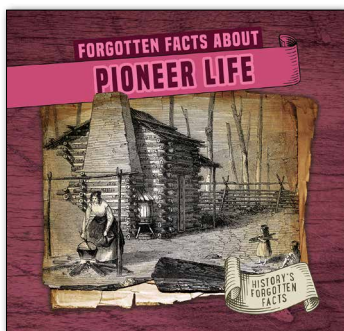
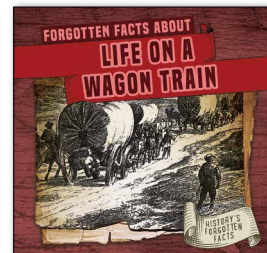
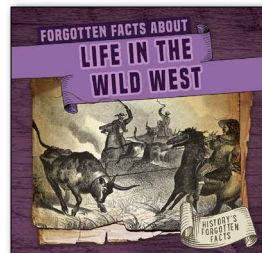
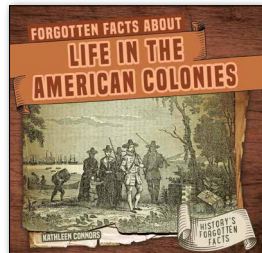
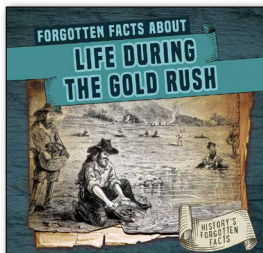
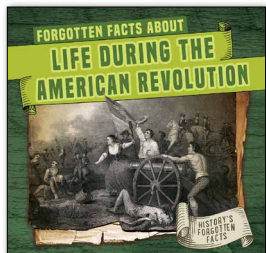
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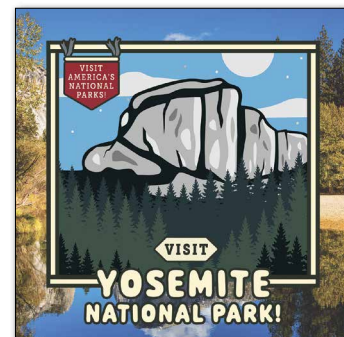
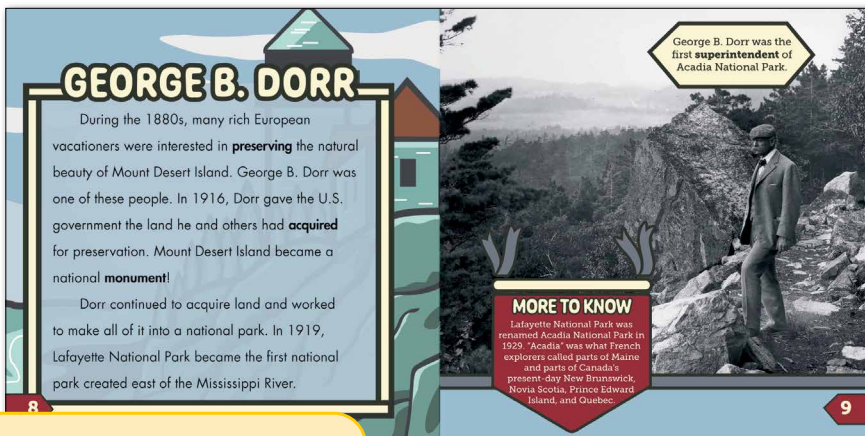
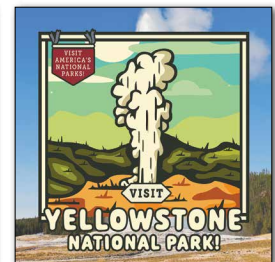
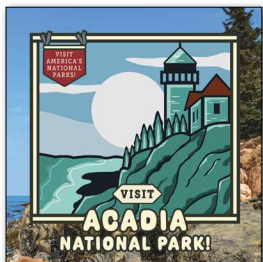
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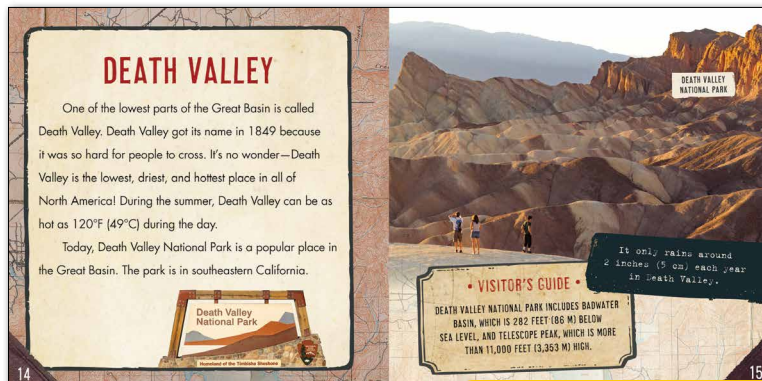
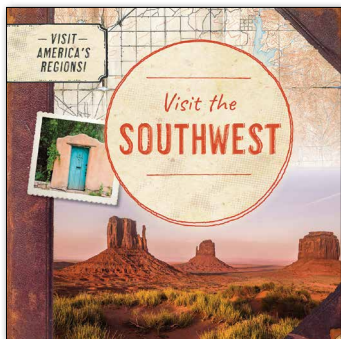
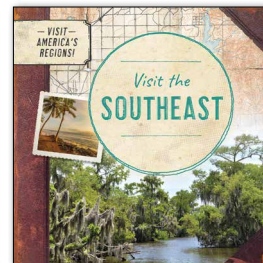
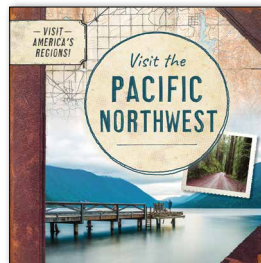
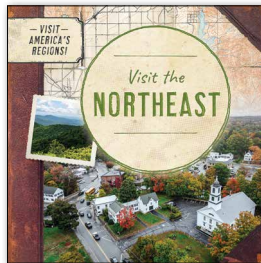
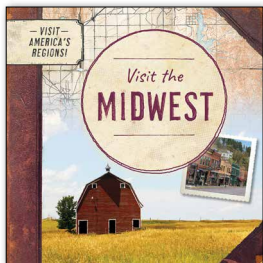
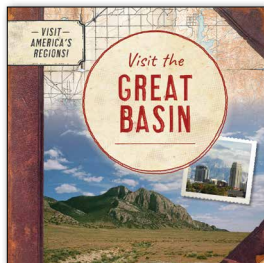
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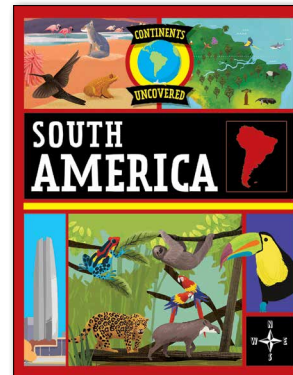
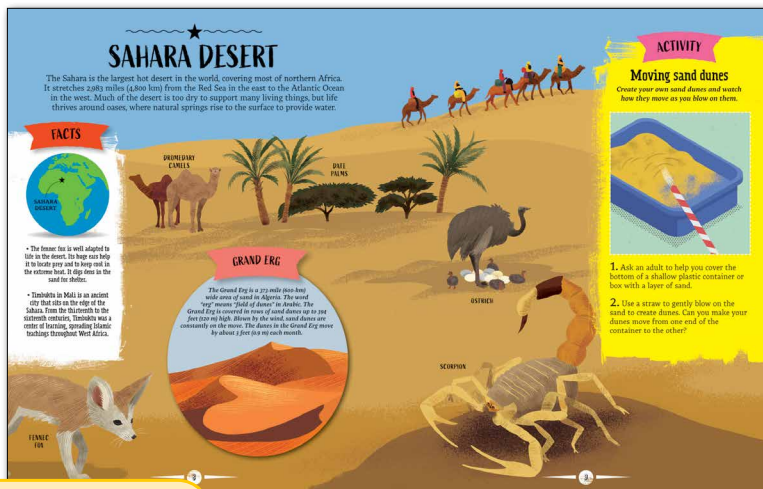
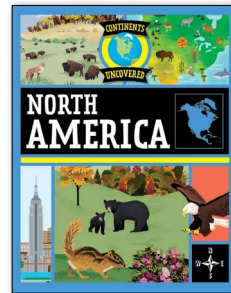
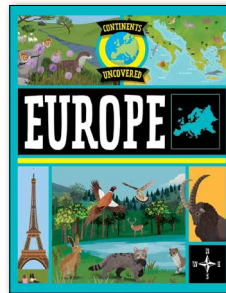
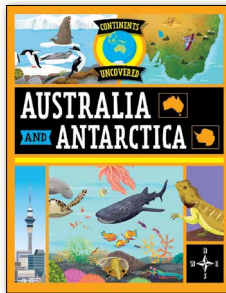
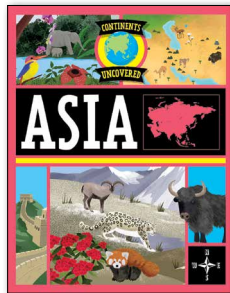
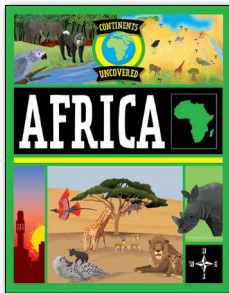
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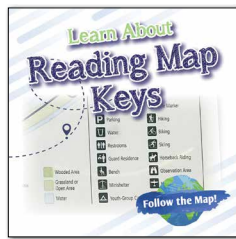
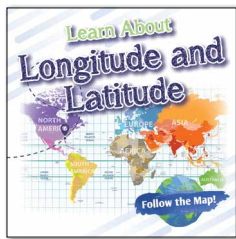
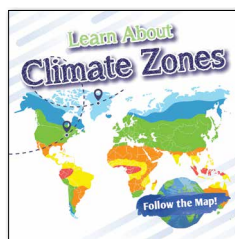
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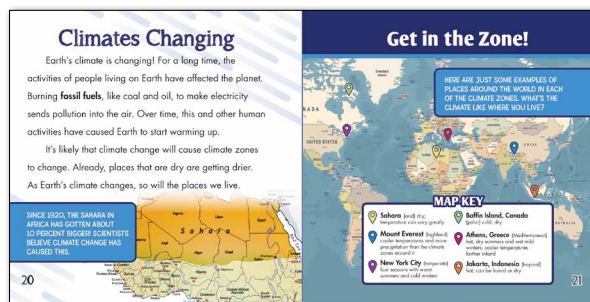
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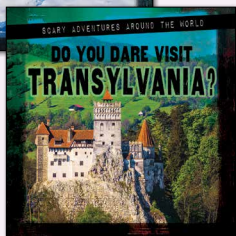
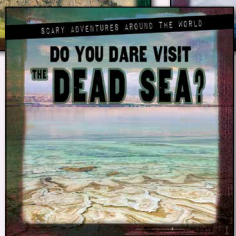
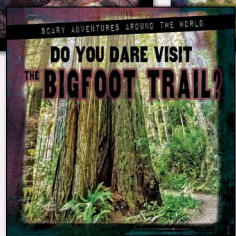
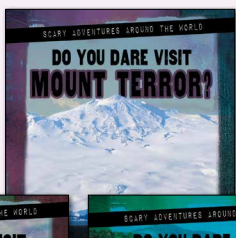
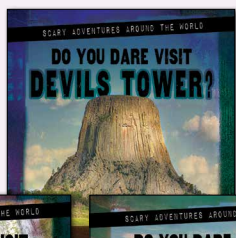
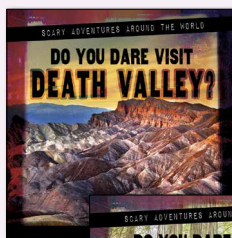
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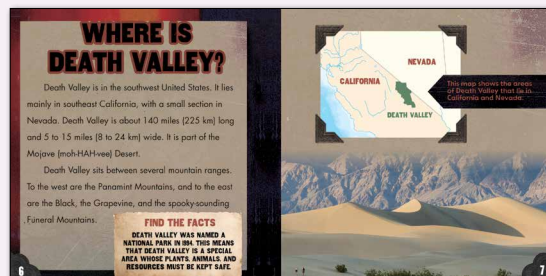
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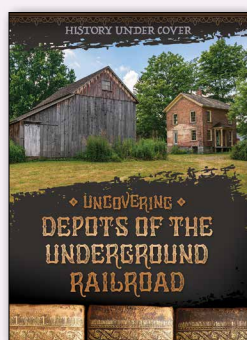
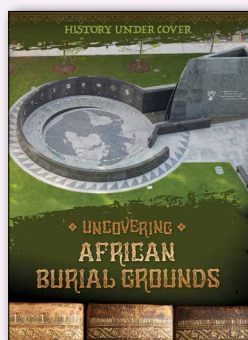
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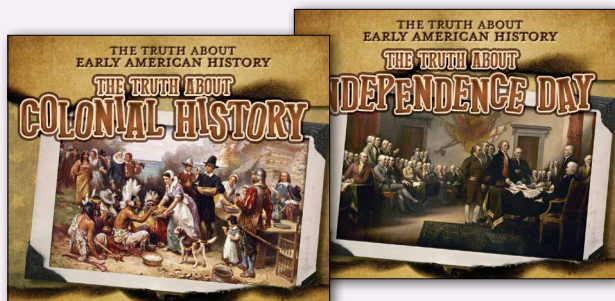


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MONDAY AT SCHOOL

means wearing
navy blue trousers,
a uniform shirt,
and well-cleaned shoes.

"I put your sandwich
in your lunch box!"
Mom yells as
I walk to the school doors.

"I—I know," I stammer.

At least she's not
blowing kisses
at me anymore.

Mom is a counselor
at a high school.
She believes that's why
she always
says the "right words."

Brissia's eyes
are glued to a page
as I enter
our classroom.

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Brissia is the town's
star swimmer.

Before even
saying hello,
she says,
with a smile that
shows her braces,
"Look, look!"

She hands me
the page:

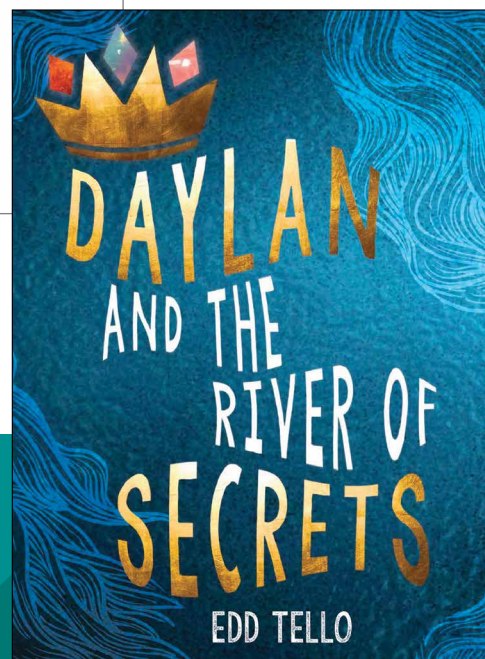
THE SCHOOL INVITES YOU TO
THE OPEN WATER
SWIMMING COMPETITION

Another thing
to stress about
besides math.

Brissia thinks
she can help me
swim again.
I'm not sure
about that.



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LOS LUNES EN LA ESCUELA

son de vestir
pantalón azul marino,
la camisa del uniforme
y zapatos bien limpios.

«¡Te puse el sándwich
en la lonchera!»,
grita mamá mientras camino
hacia la puerta de la escuela.

«Lo—lo sé»,
tartamudeo.

Al menos ya no
me manda besos
como antes.

Mamá es orientadora
en una secundaria.
Por eso cree
que siempre tiene
las palabras
correctas.

Brissia mantiene los ojos

pegados a una página
cuando entro
al salón de clase.

Brissia es la nadadora
estrella del pueblo.

Antes de siquiera
decir «hola»,
con una sonrisa que
muestra sus frenillos,
dice: «¡Mira, mira!».

Me entrega
la hoja:

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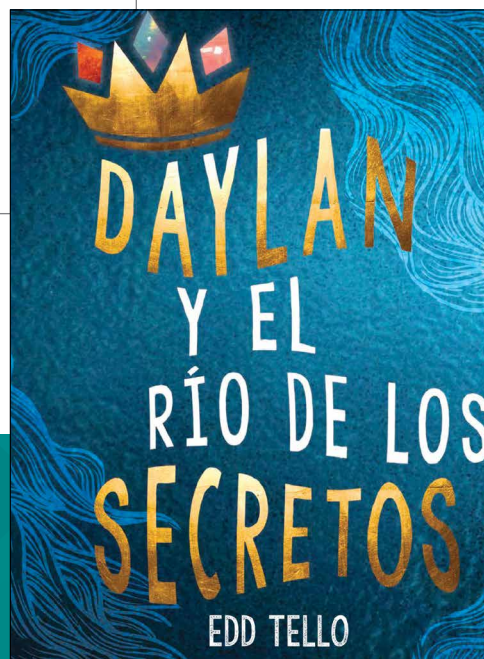
Otra cosa
por la que preocuparme
además de Matemáticas.

Brissia piensa
que puede ayudarme
a volver a nadar.
Yo no estoy tan seguro
de eso.

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Giant eels have invaded the Jersey Shore town where 12-year-old Liam is spending the summer at Gramps's cottage. The eels chew up postcards in mailboxes, get into Mom's paints, and cause traffic accidents. No one knows why the eels are so enormous, or how to stop them from crawling everywhere. Some answers could lie in the journals Gramps left behind before he died last fall. Does it have to do with the local power plant? Will the stubborn town leaders listen to a couple of kids? Liam and his new friend Ceila set out to crack the mystery of the giant eels, but one wrong step could get them into a world of trouble.

SURPRISE

Liam braked his bike
at Gramps's seashell driveway.

He reached
into the mailbox
like he did every day.

Something—
warm, slimy,
alive

(and definitely not mail)—

jumped out
like a birthday surprise.

Only Liam's
12th birthday
was a month ago.

"Whaaat!"

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SLIDE, SLITHER, SLIP

The animal climbed up
Liam's right arm.

It crawled across his shoulders.

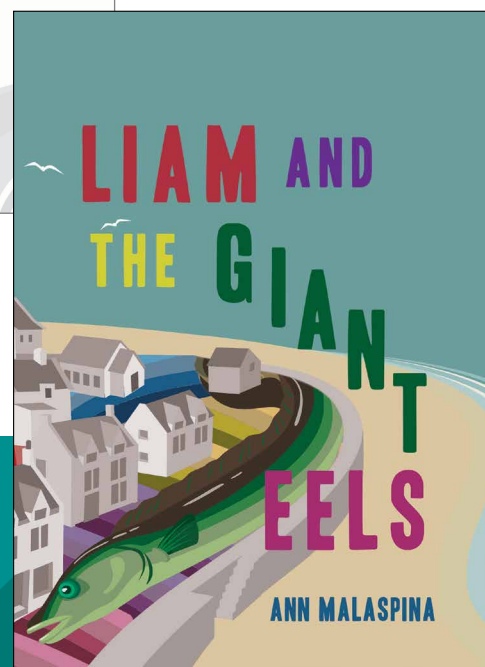
Slid to the ground.
Slithered across the driveway.
Slipped across the road.

Liam watched in shock
as it
DISAPPEARED
into the storm gutter.

Was this the
"something odd"
Rosie was talking about?



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Ace hates sharing a computer with his older sister, Nora. When Ace and Nora get into a fight over the computer, they're both grounded from using it. But Ace has a new idea he wants to work on—designing a magician character named Fabian who reminds him of learning magic tricks with his absent father. Ace sneaks onto his mom's top-secret work computer in the middle of the night. But when Ace saves the Fabian file, something strange happens. Fabian comes to life on the screen and starts deleting files. When Ace and Nora try to fix the issue, they're sucked into the computer world. Now the siblings have no choice but to work together before Fabian erases everything on the hard drive—including them.



I Can't

sleep at night.

I'm like a
wide-eyed owl
under the moon.

Even when I do
manage to
squeeze in a few z's,

all I can think about
is tapping on the keys.

By day three,
it feels like I have
bugs in my bed.

I claw at my arms
and legs.

I'm ready to break free
from my skin.



Dream

Then it hits me.

I wake with a magician
glued to my brain.

His name, Fabian.

Tall. Slender.
Purple top hat
and matching suit.

A deck of cards
fanned out in
his hands.

I take a
random card
from him.

It's the ace of
diamonds,
as if he's
calling to me.



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Meadow is enjoying a carefree country summer, tending her beloved 4-H chickens and freely exploring the outdoors. Content at home with her father, brother, and Nanna, Meadow wishes she could stay a kid forever. Everything changes the day the man in the green car stops her on the road, alarming her with an uncomfortable request. The brief encounter fills her with a strange new anxiety that she can't share with anyone. As fear fills her every move, she makes her world smaller and smaller to feel safe. But when a friend is also approached by the driver of the green car, Meadow realizes she must talk about what happened to protect others. Like the jack pine growing from the rocky cliff, Meadow can't fight growing up any longer, but maybe she can change her corner of the world for the better.

MY FREEDOM WAS THE CREEK

and the road
that took me there.

I close the chicken gate
and wander
down

the
driveway.

Glancing to the right.

Then to the left.

My eyes follow
the rolling hills
of County Road Nine.

And my heart
trembles.

What if the green car
comes back?

Will I
ever
dare
to walk our road
again?

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THE CONSTANT CHIRP OF CRICKETS

makes the night air
BUZZZZZ.

Through my open bedroom window,
moonlight seeps.

It forms
a pool of light
across my bed.

On the walls,
eerie shadows
dance.

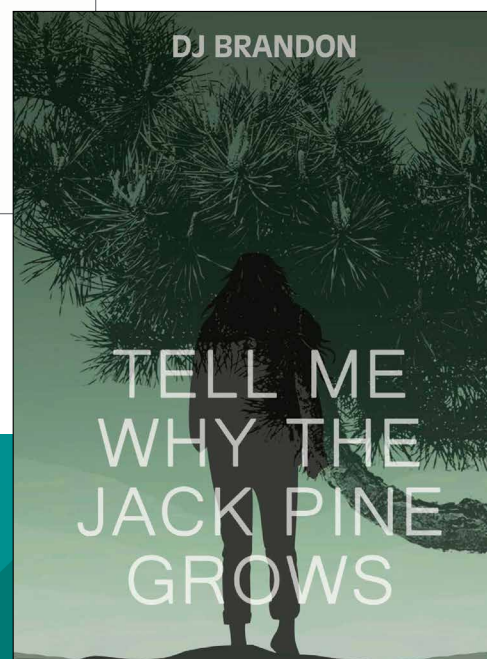
The rest of the house
is sleeping.

But
I
am

wide awake.



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Twelve-year-old Arlo doesn't want to stand in his big sister's shadow on the basketball court. He wants to do something different. Something he can call his own. A Ping-Pong master at home, Arlo decides to try his hand at the Olympic sport of table tennis. But he quickly learns it is a completely different game than the one he grew up playing in the basement. Also, he's not the only kid who takes Ping-Pong seriously. As Arlo enters the world of competitive table tennis, he finds himself challenged unlike ever before. Will Arlo give up when it gets hard or find a way to persevere against all odds?

CANDY WRAPPER

Of course, Zoe starts with the jokes.

I feel like the
empty candy wrapper
shoved under the seat.

My thoughts are folded
over on each other.
And sticky.

I like Ping-Pong. A lot.

I thought I was pretty good.
Before today.

If I'm going to lose that bad,
maybe it would be better
if it were to Zoe?

At her game of basketball.
On the driveway.

At least then she'd help me,

instead of making jokes
about me losing to a man
with a cane!



LEAVE ME ALONE

I bounce a ball
on the bottom
of the racket's
handle.

It isn't loud
enough to block
the knock
at my door.

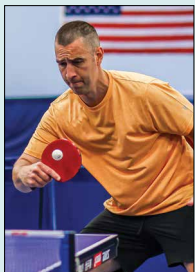
Of course, it's
Zoe coming back
for more.

*I know I
give you a
hard time.*

*It's my way of
showing you
I care.*

*But I can't
leave for college
tomorrow
with you still
mad at me.*

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David Aro is the author of several stories for young readers, including the *Alton Heights All-Stars* hi/lo series and the picture book *Slam Dunk Sammy*. He is a former Collegiate All-American basketball player, conference player of the year, and college coach. When he is not spending time with his family, coaching his kids, or playing table tennis, he follows his passion of writing children's books. You can visit him online at www.davidaro.com.

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Twins Adam and Adriana Carver couldn't be more different these days, but they are forced to spend time together on a family vacation in a remote New England village. Though the neighborhood looks charming, the locals are spacey and distant. They seem barely able to speak. Soon the twins' parents begin forgetting everyday things—the locations of keys and parked cars. This quickly escalates into something far more troubling. As the adults start losing their core memories, the twins must hunt down the nightmarish cause of this tragedy. But the monsters in this peaceful seaside community prove far darker and more threatening than anything they might have imagined.

I nudged Adriana.
But she wouldn't
look up
from her phone.

"See the lighthouse?"
I asked.

At the end
of the pier,
a white tower
stood over
the waves.
Beyond it,
tiny boats sailed
beneath cloudless skies.

"Uh-huh,"
she said.

She still
didn't bother
looking.

Adriana used
her phone
more than I
ever used mine.



We turned again.
The harbor
disappeared behind
more maples.

"We're staying near
the old mines,"
Mom told us.
"They dug for
silver and lead
around here.
Right up
until the 1910s."

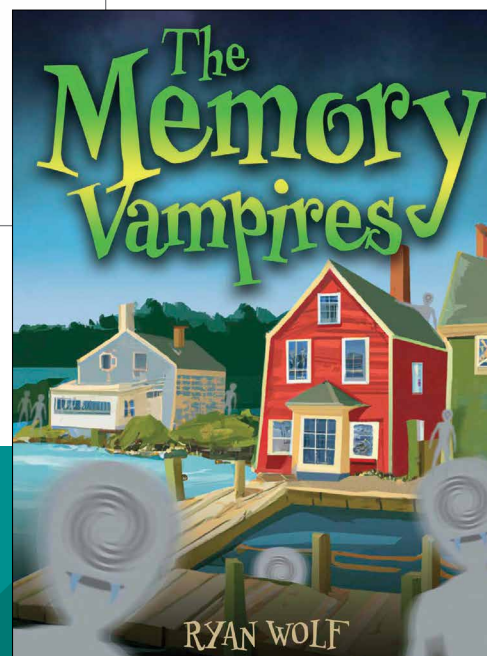
"I thought
we were staying
on the water,"
I said,
disappointed.

"We are,"
Dad said.
"By a little river
that flows
into the bay."

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Ryan Wolf is the author of novels for young adult and middle grade readers, as well as the *Creepy Critter Keepers* chapter book series for children. He has also published stories, poems, and nonfiction, and appeared in episodes of the paranormal investigation series *Death Walker*. Ryan holds his B.A. from Canisius College and his M.A. in the humanities from the University of Chicago. He currently resides in Buffalo, New York, with his wife and daughter.



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Oliver loves mountain biking on rocky, wooded trails. And he has an unlikely partner—his much older half sister Morgan. One summer evening while out with their dog Digby, Oliver tries to impress Morgan by leading her down a new trail he claims to know. They end up at the bottom of a canyon with no choice but to push their bikes up the steep trail. Then disaster strikes. Morgan slips and badly injures her ankle. With no cell service, it's up to Oliver to hike out and get help. But daylight is fading fast, and danger waits in the wilderness.

ROCKS, DIRT, SPEED

It's like flying.
Bouncing over a
rocky dirt trail.

It's like flying
but a lot bumpier.

Rise up out of
your seat.
Grip your handlebars
with your fingerless gloves.

Keep your fingertips
on your brakes ready
to squeeze.

Then point
your bike
downhill
and fly.



SPEED DEMON

Speed demon.
That's what Morgan
calls me.

Me—Oliver Weiss.
I've actually got
a cool nickname.

When we're going uphill,
Morgan goes first.
She's a lot faster and stronger.

But when we're going downhill,
she lets me go first.
She says I'm faster.
She's just being nice.

Morgan is really good at sports.
All I ever played was
soccer and T-ball way back
in elementary school.

She knows a ton
of stuff about mountain biking.
Now she's teaching me.

Reviews/Awards:

"A harrowing survival adventure in which a teen must keep a calm head when disaster strikes. . . . Grant depicts the unfolding sibling relationship and Oliver's burgeoning self-confidence with tenderness and heart."

—Publishers Weekly



Katy Grant is the author of nine novels for young readers. For many years, she taught creative writing and composition courses at the college level. A native of Tennessee, she now lives in Arizona with her husband. She enjoys travel, hiking, biking, and spending time with her two adult sons.



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Dennis feels out of place after moving to a gloomy town where his dad accepted work at a controversial chemical plant. He struggles to fit in and soon senses something may be very wrong with his new middle school. When he finds the journal of a student who went missing decades ago, he begins exploring the haunting truth behind the disappearance. Everything points to a dark and strange reality lurking behind the walls of the school itself. Dennis must uncover a long-buried secret if he hopes to make it through the year.

WEEKEND

Wish
I had
a better grip
on life.

I spend most
of the weekend
dreading school
on Monday.

With each box
I unpack,
it's like I'm giving up
a little of
who I was.

I find
old yearbooks.
Flip through
the faces
I knew.

I can try
to keep up
with everyone
online.

But things
will never be
the same.

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MONDAY

While
waiting
for the bus,
I see smoke
spewing
from
Gardenview Chemical.

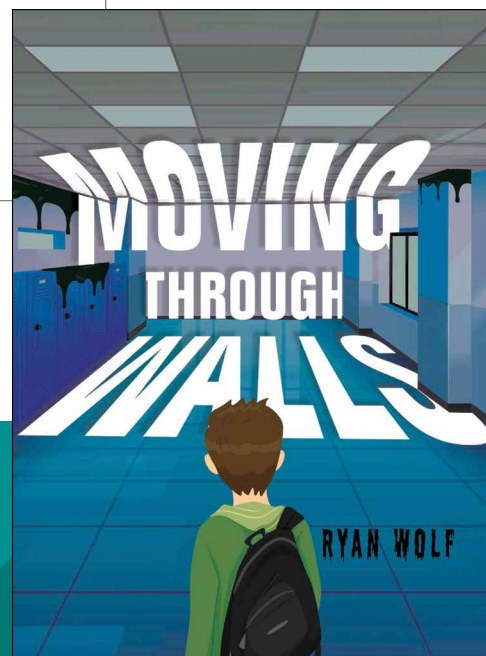
It's less than
a mile away.
Casting clouds
over this
wasteland
of a neighborhood.

I hope
my dad's job
is worth it.

Because
everything
feels
up in smoke
to me.



Ryan Wolf is the author of the young adult novels *Watches and Warnings* (2019) and *Control Room* (2020), as well as the *Creepy Critter Keepers* chapter book series for children. He has published stories, poems, essays, reviews, and journalism. Ryan holds his BA from Canisius College and his MA in the humanities from the University of Chicago. He currently resides in Buffalo, NY, with his wife and daughter.



NORA WRIGHT AND THE SECRETS OF THE KNIGHT

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Twelve-year-old Nora's mom manages The Knight, a medieval theme restaurant on the verge of shutting down for good. When Nora and her new friend Mavis stop by The Knight to borrow costumes for their school play, a snowstorm hits. Nora and Mavis are trapped overnight with Diane, the restaurant's eccentric cook. Nora is familiar with Diane's many tall tales, so she doesn't pay much attention to her strange theory about hidden gold. But when they find evidence that Diane might be telling the truth, Nora starts to wonder if treasure really is hidden in the crumbling castle—and if it could save the restaurant.



Last year
in sixth grade
Ms. Simmons
asked me to
help with the
school play.

I ran the spotlight.

So I really was a light maker.

This year, Ms. Simmons asked me to be
Tech Director.

It's a big step up.

Now I can borrow
keys to the
light booth. Keys to the
workshop. Keys to the
power tool
cupboard. Keys to the
costume room.

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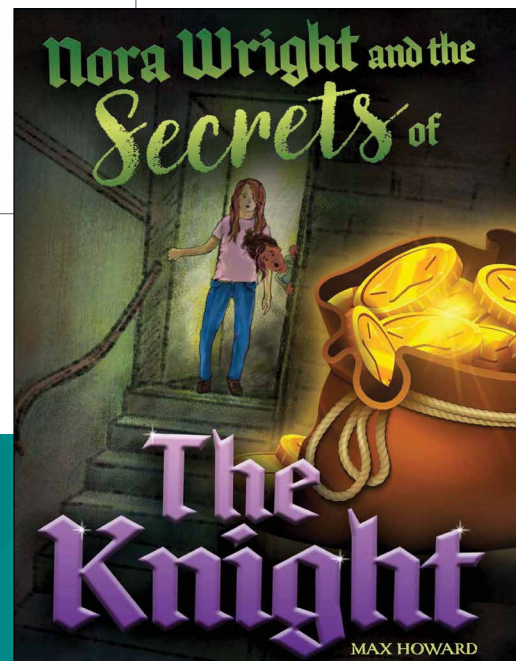
Last year
Liam Benes was the
tech director. Now he's at
Oso High.

I'm the
first seventh
grader to do this
job.

Last year my best friend
Britta did
stage crew, too.

She always forgot her cues.

But we got to throw
confetti
over the crowd.
We made it snow.



Max Howard is the author of *Everything in Its Path*, *Fifteen and Change*, *The Water Year*, and *Surviving American History*. Max's writing has received recognition from the American Library Association (YALSA), the Junior Library Guild, and the North Star YA Award committee.



CREEPY CRITTER KEEPERS

By Ryan Wolf

Bruce, Mei, Nia, and Pablo are best friends whose lives are perfectly normal—until they find an alien in their neighborhood. Can they keep it in their tree-house fort, and how can they take care of it? Soon, the friends find out they've unlocked a whole world of mischief and mayhem, as they encounter more and more creepy critters. The Creepy Critter Keepers have to use their teamwork, smarts, and hearts to save the day!

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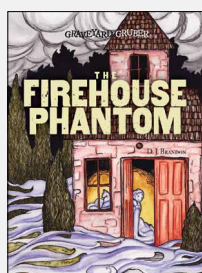
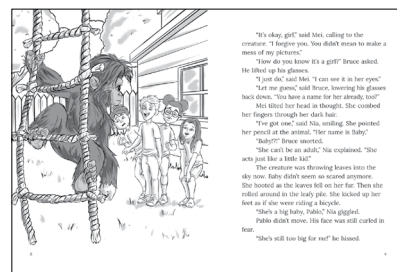
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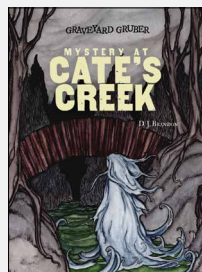
By D. J. Brandon

Grady Gruber thinks he'll never shake his laughable name. That is, until he discovers his hidden talent for ghost whispering, and earns the name Graveyard Gruber. Now, he and his friends set out to take on the ghosts of their small town—including a cranky cemetery caretaker, a 19th-century tween who haunts Cate's Creek, and the Firehouse Phantom. Graveyard Gruber is determined to right past wrongs and bring comfort to the restless spirits who seem to find him.

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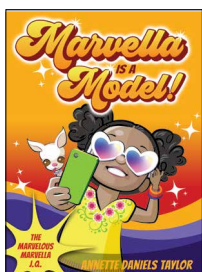
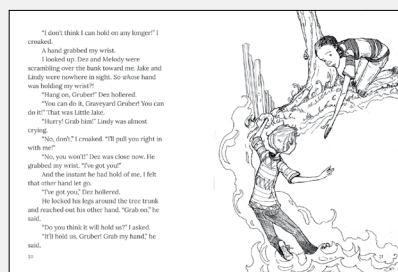
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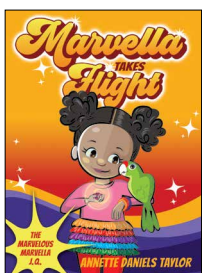
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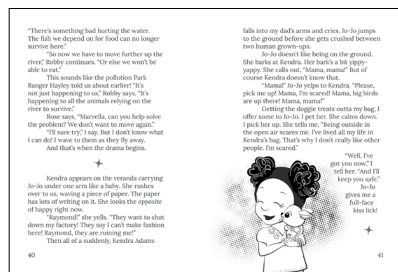
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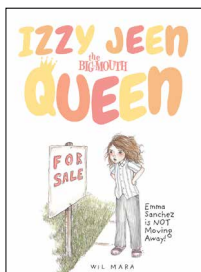
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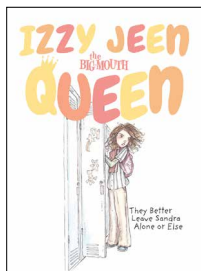
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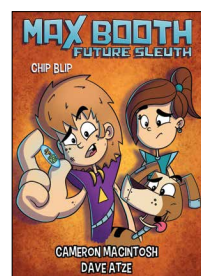
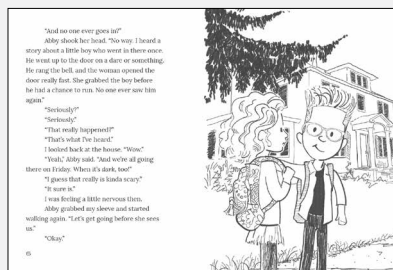
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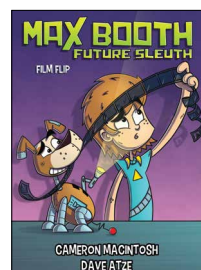
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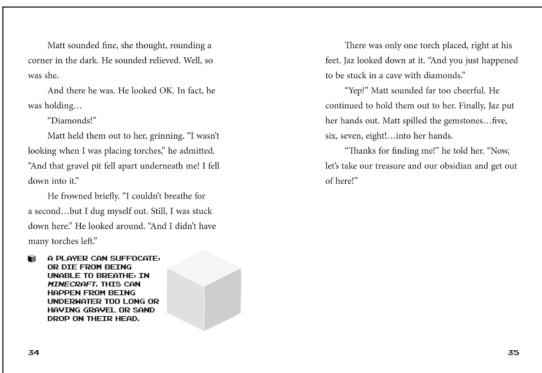
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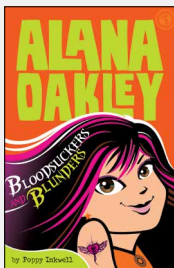
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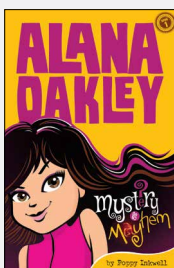
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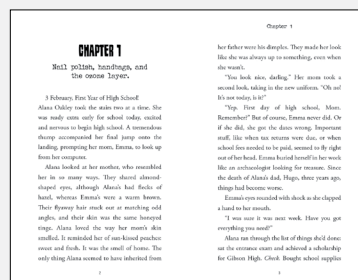
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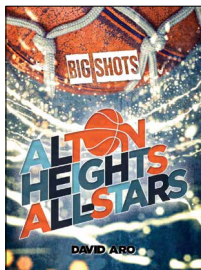
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By David Aro

What happens when a school cuts its basketball team? The kids who live in the Alton Heights housing complex need to come up with a plan fast. That's how the Alton Heights All-Stars team is born. They may not have matching jerseys, a coach, or even a regular court to practice on, but they make up for it with perseverance and heart. Cam, Jasmine, Brianna, Tyler, and Markus prove to everyone that they're not just playing around; they're out to be all-stars.

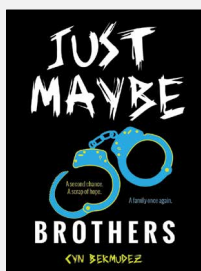
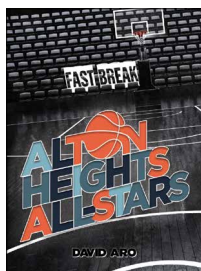
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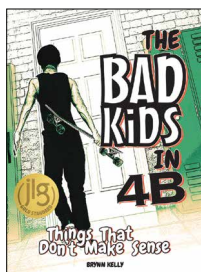
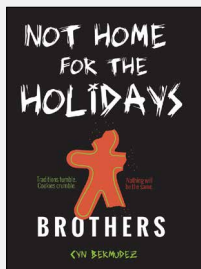
By Cyn Bermudez

The Reyes siblings have been separated by the incarceration of their mother and are living in different foster homes. Victor and Isaac have one connection to their old life: the emails they sneak to each other, detailing the experiences they have adjusting to their new homes. Can they hold on to their family with the distance between them? Will things ever go back to normal?

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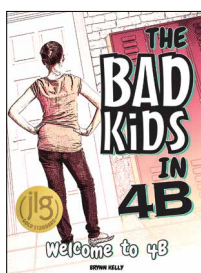
By Brynn Kelly

The kids in classroom 4B have a reputation as the "baddest" kids in school. What no one sees is that each kid has a reason for acting that way. Mila has been removed from her mom's care and placed with her aunt, whom she doesn't trust. Landon has trouble learning, but doesn't want anyone to know. Jordan's father was recently sent to jail. Jayme has been taking care of her younger siblings while her mother starts dating again. Together, the "bad kids" in 4B learn about acceptance, stepping out of their molds, and confronting life's challenges.

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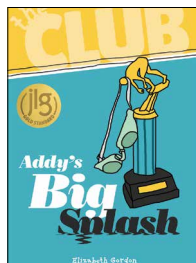
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THE CLUB

By Elizabeth Gordon

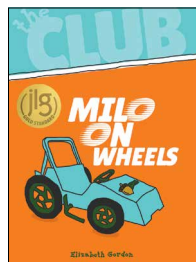
Every day after school, kids in the Parkside neighborhood hang out at the community rec center, which they call The Club. Milo, Noah, Zoe, Javi, and Addy couldn't be more different, but they have one thing in common, The Club. The Club has a way of pushing their comfort zones and making them try new things, from competing in the annual go-kart rally to starring in a musical. Together, they'll learn some tough life lessons, discover their strengths, and find their true friends.

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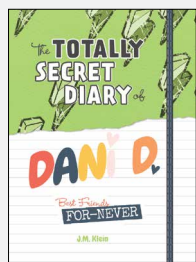
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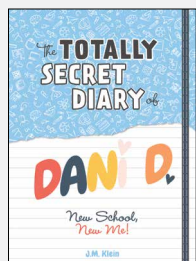
THE TOTALLY SECRET DIARY OF DANI D.

By J. M. Klein

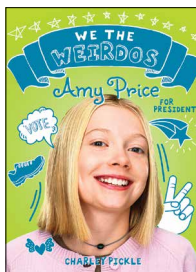
Dani D. is the new girl in school. She's determined to convince people that she is cool, talented, and worthy of being part of the popular crowd. Dani pretends she has no worries, but secretly she's dealing with her parents' separation and divorce and being forced to live with her strict grandparents. Dani's new clique isn't very understanding, and she's one misstep away from blowing her cover. Dani confides her feelings and the truth behind the lies she tells only in her diary, which is totally top secret.

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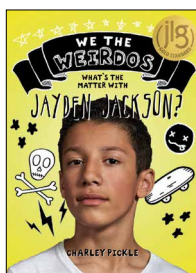
By Charley Pickle

Four kids sit together at the outcast lunch table on the first day of middle school. Amy has a stutter, but wants to be class president. Maci would rather draw than talk to people. Eli is a pastor's kid who has been labeled a "goody two-shoes." Jayden often lashes out at people and gets upset in class. The kids have almost nothing in common, except one thing: they're the class weirdos. If they want to rise above their reputations, they're going to need to do it together.

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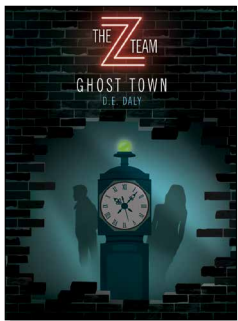
By D. E. Daly

Chloe, Malik, and Justin are best friends, drawn together by their love of all things weird and spooky. One night, the abandoned railroad station in town becomes a portal to a supernatural world. Zombies have come to town, and the three friends form the Z Team to find the zombies and save the day. Along the way, they stumble into other supernatural situations involving ghosts, werewolves, vampires, and more. What's next on board the Eerie Express?

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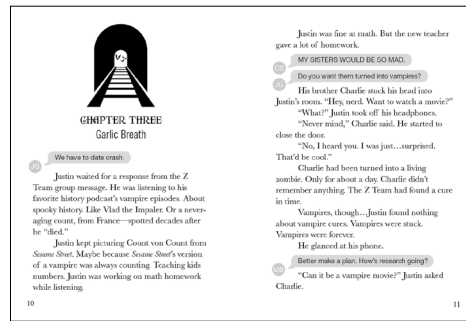
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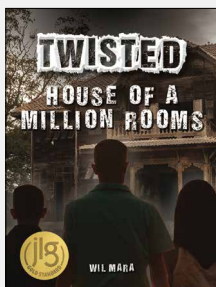
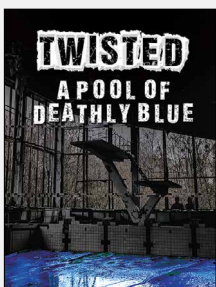
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Abby used to be close to her older sister Natalie, but now they seem to have nothing in common. And their constant bickering is putting a strain on the family's winter vacation. After a day on the slopes, their frustrated parents leave the girls alone in their cabin together. But when two suspicious men appear at the remote cabin where they're staying, Natalie is in serious danger. It's up to Abby to use her quick thinking to fend off the intruders. Though the sisters initially escape the intruders, they're forced out into the elements—with the men in hot pursuit. Can the sisters put their differences aside to survive this blood-chilling night?

Reviews/Awards:

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PAYBACK

The hot tub cycle ends
and the jets turn off
automatically.

I sigh. Climb out,
dry off fast.

I pull on my hoodie and
fold the cover back.
Snap all the buckles closed.

I head to the back door,
turn the knob,
but

it doesn't budge.

It's locked.

Of course.

I'm wet.
It's freezing.
It's dark.

Forget what Dad said.

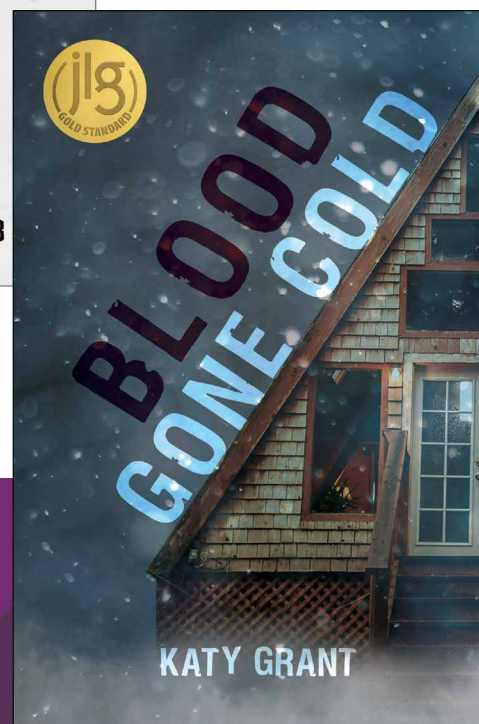
I
am going
to kill
my sister.

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Katy Grant is the author of ten novels for young readers, including *Three Shots* and *Disaster Trail*. For many years, she taught creative writing and composition courses at the college level. A native of Tennessee, she now lives in northern Arizona with her husband. She enjoys travel, hiking, biking, and spending time with her two adult sons.



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Living in a dystopic future, Leah and her younger sister Rachel are fighting to survive in a world that's becoming increasingly unlivable. Earth's atmosphere has been poisoned by pollution, so each year the government—Terra—holds a contest for all eligible, healthy 16-year-olds. The winners, 100 teens who possess skills that will contribute to Venus's floating biosphere, are sent to the Floating City. Though both Leah and Rachel are talented gardeners, Leah's pollution-induced asthma makes her ineligible. After Rachel is selected for the Floating City, she tricks Terra's medical staff and sends Leah in her place to save Leah's life. Once on Venus, Leah continues to hide her true identity. She is assigned to work in the city's greenhouse where she meets Rose, who awakens something inside her she never knew existed. But when Leah's asthma returns, she's forced to find out whether true love can survive deceit, and if her sister's sacrifice was ultimately worth the price.

THE PROMISE

Rain pounded our
metal roof.

Making it
hard
to hear.

Rachel was in the
greenhouse
tending plants.

I was inside
tending
someone else.

Deathwatch, I thought,
though we didn't
call it that.

We just said Mom
was resting.

Waiting for when
she'd meet up with
Dad.

I was adjusting her blanket
when she grabbed my arm.

"Leah," she wheezed.
Her voice a kettle's
hiss.

"If Rachel's chosen,
make her go.

She's the only chance
this family has."

"Promise," said Mom,
fingers hot on my wrist.

Her dark eyes
full of
fear.

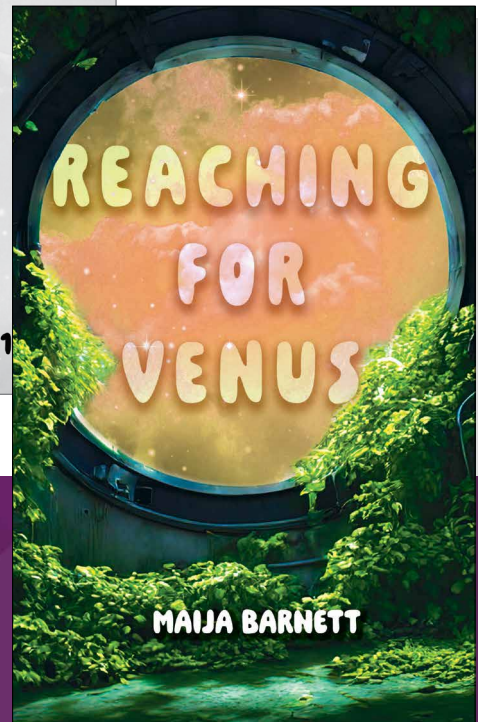
"I promise," I whispered,
looking away.

Trying my best
to swallow
the lie.

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Maija Barnett grew up in central Vermont and now lives in Massachusetts with her husband and two teenage daughters. She loves nature, poetry, hiking in the woods with her dogs, and finding ways to get kids excited about reading. Maija holds degrees in English and teaching and currently teaches at a school for students with learning differences. *Reaching for Venus* is her third novel.



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It's the summer before his senior year, and Dustin can't wait to take a special trip to Japan with his high school baseball team. His plans are quickly dashed by the sudden death of his similarly athletic cousin. As someone focused on fitness, Dustin is deeply shaken by this loss. While attending his very first funeral, Dustin meets Andrea, the new stepdaughter of a distant relative who seems to have a playlist for every occasion. At first, Dustin dislikes her. But as the summer continues, death seems to be stalking them both. More funerals crop up, one after another, challenging Dustin's sense of stability. Andrea is there at every gathering, each with its own flair and antics by quirky family members, trying to find meaning in the madness alongside Dustin. As they reflect on life, death, and music, they learn to embrace the weird ways people cope—and find a path forward.

RUNNING TO STAND STILL

My cousin Jack
was 20 years old.

He played baseball
at a university
in Houston.

He was jogging
laps around
a local track
when
he fell.

Jack did
that same routine
four times
a week.

There was
nothing unusual
about the day
he died.
Nothing
off.



But when Jack
tumbled down,
he never
got up.

Experts cut
him open,
looking for
answers.

They dug
into his
broad chest.

His heart
was large
and inflamed.

Cardiomyopathy,
they called it.

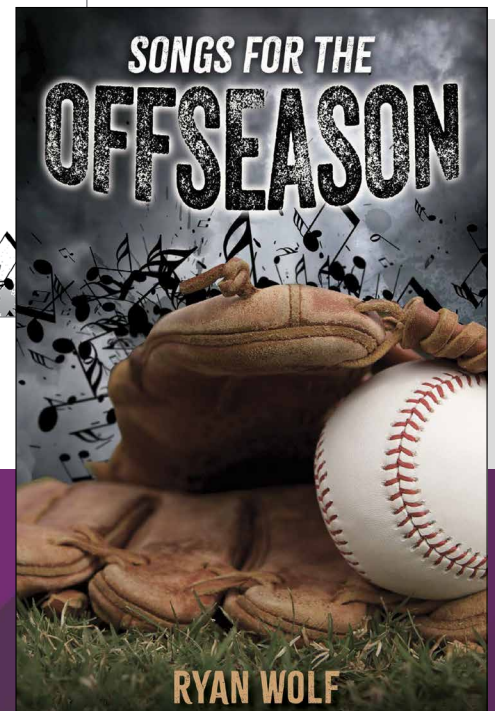
No one knew
he was at risk.

There was
no family history
with the disease.
Jack didn't drink
or do drugs.

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Ryan Wolf is the author of books for young adults, middle graders, and children. His work has been recognized by the Junior Library Guild and nominated for the North Star YA Award. He has also published short stories, poems, essays, journalism, and music reviews. Wolf holds his master's degree from the University of Chicago and at one point lived within walking distance of Wrigley Field. He currently resides in Buffalo, New York. You can learn more about his work at ryanswolf.com.



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About the Author Section, High/Low Content

It's the summer of 1970, and 15-year-old Jane is still reeling from the violent death of her father. She starts partying to deal with her grief, but a frantic call from her mother leads to her arrest. Jane awaits her hearing with hope, but instead she is sentenced to a yearlong stay at the New York State Training School for Girls. She faces bullying and solitary confinement, and all seems lost. Then she's introduced to the Racket, an underground world of gender role-play, romantic relationships, and chosen families the inmates have created. She befriends and develops deep feelings for fellow inmate Jo-Jo, who shares her love of music. Jane comes to appreciate the complex lives of people she never would have gotten to know on the outside—but she knows that her new family can be taken away in an instant.

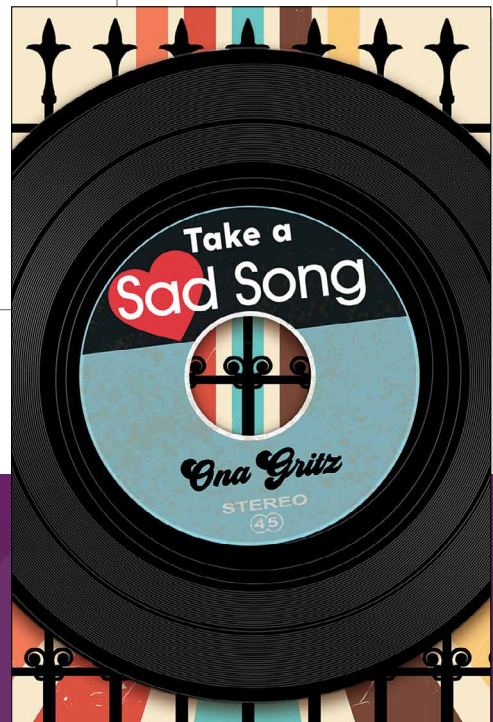
FICTION
NEW FALL 2024!


<p>The Only Music</p> <p>we heard at Spofford was TV theme songs. And jingles from commercials.</p> <p>Now, "Band of Gold" plays. And the lonely words touch me in a new bruised place.</p> <p>Next, "Gimme Dat Ding," which makes me think of bullies grabbing cookies. And that music might be ruined for me.</p> <p>Then, "Signed, Sealed, Delivered" comes on. Kids sing along. And it strikes me that maybe we have more than just our terrible luck in common.</p>	<p>We Arrive</p> <p>at a large, grassy campus. Catskill Mountains in the distance. Hudson River beside us. Buildings of matching red brick.</p> <p>The New York State Training School for Girls. It might pass for a fancy boarding school.</p> <p>Except the iron fence and stone walls aren't here to keep out thugs and thieves. They're here to keep us in.</p>
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Ona Gritz holds a master of arts in poetry from the creative writing program at New York University. She is the author of many books, most recently, *The Space You Left Behind*, a West 44 young adult novel in verse, and *Everywhere I Look*, a memoir about her sister Angie who was the inspiration for *Take a Sad Song*. Ona's writing has appeared widely, including in *The Guardian*, *The New York Times*, *Ploughshares*, *Brevity*, and *Salon*. She teaches creative writing to teenagers with disabilities through the Numberless Dreams Project. Learn more at onagritz.com.



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THE BRUJOS OF
BORDERLAND HIGH

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High school is rough for a gay teen brujo going through his first breakup. And Alejandro's supernatural ability to see the past with the use of his tarot cards makes it so the past is all he ever really focuses on. Alejandro would like to pour his passion into piano to prepare for the upcoming winter recital, but bizarre supernatural forces seem out to get him. When a time-traveling demon arrives with a mission to stop the upcoming high school winter recital from taking place, Alejandro must focus on the future to slay the demon, save the recital, and maybe get a second chance at love.

FICTION

NEW FALL 2024!

ONE-CARD PULL

An image
appears in
my card.

Zander slaps his forehead.
"Of course! I forgot to
check my band hall locker!"

I don't react to
his response.
I simply swallow
a spork-full
of the fruit cup.

Then, I shuffle the card
back into my deck.

Zander pulls out
his deck of cards.
They're exactly like mine.
And exactly
like every other
brujo's deck of cards.
His initials are
engraved in emerald.

Z.A. for Zander Avaloz.

"Bruh, for real," I say.
"I don't care to know
anything about my future."

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ZANDER SHUFFLES
HIS CARDS

My head turns away.
To a random direction.
I instantly regret it.

Gustavo is walking
into the crowded cafeteria.
His arm is wrapped around
Rey's scrawny neck.

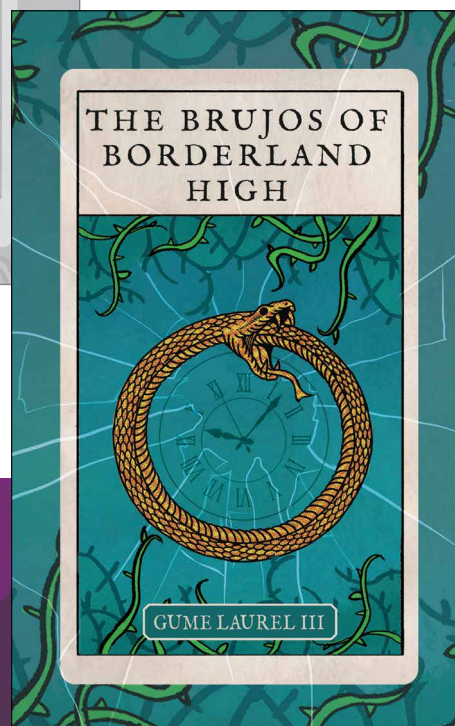
The guy he left me for.

My hands quickly brush my
bushy brown hair into place.
It was an Edgar haircut two
months ago. Now it's more
like an untamed mushroom.

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THE KEY TO SURVIVING SUMMER

BY: SANDI VAN

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It's the summer before sophomore year, and Moe is stuck in the middle of Nowhere-ville, in a broken-down cottage on Lake Ontario with no one her age for miles. Her neighbor's grandson, Zeke, definitely doesn't count. He is only eight, but desperation and loneliness force Moe to follow Zeke on his adventures. After a nasty storm, Moe finds a strange key and begins having visions of a girl roller-skating at sunset and then disappearing into the lake. Moe and Zeke comb the shoreline looking for clues, but when his grandparents find out, they forbid Zeke from spending any more time with Moe. Faced with even more isolation and increasingly vivid visions, Moe must figure out what happened to the mysterious girl and why it forced her temporary hometown into silence.

Reviews/Awards:

JLG Gold Standard Selection

FIRST STOP

There's a park not far from our lane.
It's a public park
with walking trails
and a boat launch.

At the entrance,
there's a strange pile of rocks.

*Grams says this used to be a hotel.
Do you think she's hiding here?*

For a minute,
I forgot
what we came here to do.

For a minute,
I was just exploring and
having fun.

But then Zeke touches my arm
to get my attention.

I trip on a rock.

The key bounces against
my chest.

I feel its heat
like a flame.

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THE HOTEL

She's here.

I see her
standing by the water.

Arm in arm with
two other girls.

They are laughing.
Her blonde hair sparkles in the
setting sun.

She reaches into her pocket
and pulls out three keys.

They look like the one on
the chain.

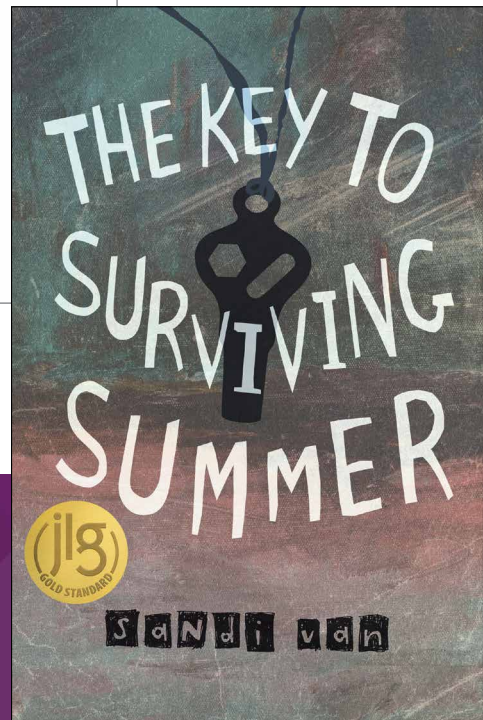
*Papa stamped them for us,
she says.*

BEST FRIENDS FOREVER.

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101 PROM NIGHTS

BY: D. E. DALY

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Halley had a perfectly fine junior prom with her two best friends. Yet when she wakes up the next morning, it's the day of junior prom. Again. And again. And again. Guided by her genre-savvy knowledge of movies and books, Halley assumes there's some burgeoning disaster the universe wants her to fix ... if only she knew what. The only way to find out is by delving into the lives and secrets of her classmates, both her friends and those she's been in school with for years and yet barely knows. Prom night after prom night, Halley begins to suspect that maybe everyone's a bit of a disaster—and maybe she doesn't know anyone as well as she thinks.

Prom Math

Mariana didn't dance with anybody.

Except me. And Roman, of course.

But we don't count.

Roman
(my other Actual Friend)
and Mariana
and me:

we're kind of
one person.

Roman helped us
pick our dresses.
He bought our corsages.
And we three
went to prom.
Like we went to kindergarten:
together.

Mariana
spent one quarter of prom upset.
In the bathroom.

So I spent one quarter of prom
with her.
In the bathroom.

I finally got her out,
because
we couldn't leave Roman
alone.

We spent the next quarter of prom
looking for him.

We found Roman outside,
with theater friends.
Trying a vape pen.
Despite his asthma.
And allergies.

Prom's last half:

• Roman coughed.
(Constantly.)

• We found the buffet stations.
(The good stuff? Gone.)
(The rest? Cold.)

• Watched our classmates.

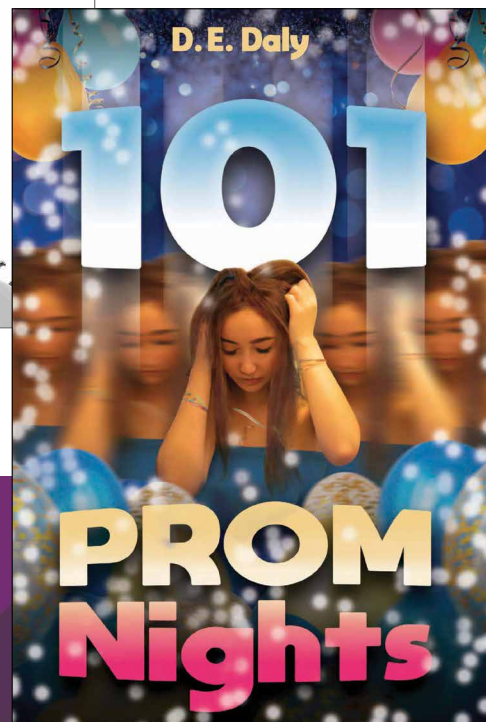
(Plus Mark Peterson's date,
who doesn't go to our school, and who
hung around alone.)

And we three
danced.

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D. E. Daly has never been caught in a time loop but does watch *Groundhog Day* every year. She lives in Buffalo, New York. She studied writing in New Orleans and is also the author of the supernatural West 44 middle grade series *The Z Team*. Once upon a time, her own prom dress was hot pink, and she'd wear the same one if she could do it all over again.



DEFINITELY NOT A LOVE STORY

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About the Author Section, High/Low Content

Ana has big plans to be an important writer. But not a romance writer, like her mom, because she's seen what love does to people. From her parents' constant bickering to her sister's endless string of broken hearts to her best friend's on-again, off-again relationship, love is messy and Ana wants no part of it. When a school writing contest pairs her up with Alejandro, a notorious serial dater, Ana is annoyed. Alejandro is everything she can't stand—romantic, sentimental, and idealistic. But Ana is willing to put her qualms aside for the sake of the big prize: publication. As the two work together to create a winning story, Ana finds herself impressed with Alejandro's writing. But despite their new connection, there's no way she can fall for him. After all, she's sure this is definitely not a love story.

STORY

I don't want to be
a page
in someone else's
story.

I want to write
my own story.

I want to
decide
what happens.

And what
doesn't.

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GHOSTS

That night,
I lie in bed,
my covers
pulled up
to my chin.

I stare up at
my bedroom ceiling.
At the peeling remains
of glue
in the faint shape
of stars.
Ghosts
of glow-in-the-dark
stickers
I took down
long ago.

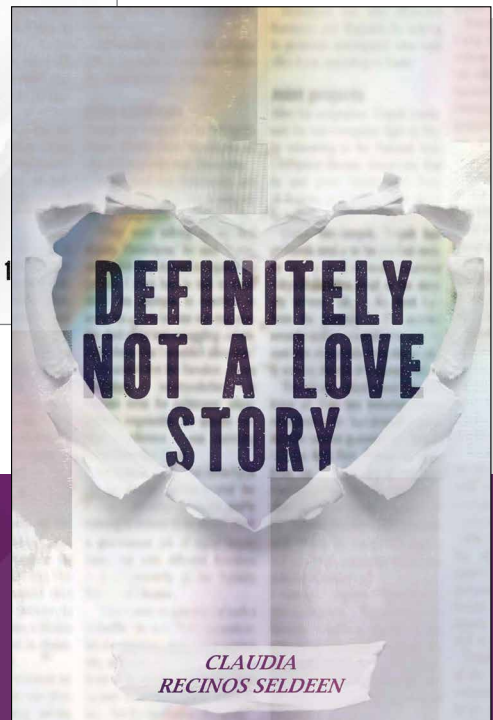
Reviews/Awards:

"An endearingly romantic story told in engaging verse for reluctant readers. . . . Captivating and sweet." —*Kirkus Reviews*

"Parallel plots drive the story forward and radiate a cozy atmosphere, and Seldeen's verse artfully expresses the emotional roller coaster of Ana's travails at home and school, which feel familiar and are sometimes heartbreaking."
—*Publishers Weekly*



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SAMSON & DOMINGO

BY: GUME LAUREL III

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About the Author Section, High/Low Content

Samson and Domingo fall in love during the summer before their junior year of high school. But Samson is the star player of Weslaco North's football team and Domingo is a French horn player for Weslaco South's marching band. Once school starts, their new love is challenged by those who don't agree with their rival schools mixing, especially Domingo's older brother, Pablo, a football player for South. As if that wasn't enough, Samson's Olympian-like athleticism is shrouded in mystery; the source of his strength is a secret he has vowed to keep his entire life. As Samson and Domingo's love blossoms, Samson learns to trust Domingo more than he has ever trusted anyone before, and Domingo opens his heart once again after heartbreak. But will their love be Samson's downfall?

Summer Vacation's End

"I wish this summer
could last forever.
I don't want it to end,"
I say.

"Do you think things will change?
When we go back to school
in a couple of weeks?"
Samson asks.

I take a deep breath.

Then, I allow more
of my weight to rest
against him and say,
"I don't want things to change."

"Do you think they will, though?"
he asks.

"Only if we allow it,"
I say.

Crescent Moon

We watch the sun sink beneath the horizon.
With it, all the magic of a Texas sunset.

One by one,

the stars appear. The crescent moon glows.
Like a light tower.

It's the exact same shape as the night we first met.
During a bonfire at
South Padre Island.
After hours of taking turns catching the
other staring
from opposite sides of the dancing flames.

*I had stepped away from the rowdy crowd
for a moment of peace.*

*Samson had followed me
out to where the sand met the tide.
Where it was only us two.*

He told me his name &

*I said,
"I know."*



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SIGN ME UP

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About the Author Section, High/Low Content

Alyssa is an ice skater who prefers to skate alone. She lives in rural Alaska, where a quiet frozen lake is her happy place. But now she's moving to sunny, loud Los Angeles. As the new girl in town, Alyssa isn't sure if she'll ever fit in. When the local roller derby team takes Alyssa under its wing, she's not sure she wants to trade her ice skates and solitude for roller skates and teammates. Alyssa decides to leave her comfort zone. Will she find her place, or will the pace and volume of roller derby be too much to handle?

WE STAND
OUTSIDE

Our house.
Our home.

(Though, I guess it's someone else's now.)

It's too dark to see it
clearly.

Too dim to do more than trace
the outline of the pitched roof.

Or to count the many legs
on which it stands.

Stilts to keep the permafrost
at bay ...

The perfect place to hide.

My childhood den
with a whole house
on top.

IT'S TOO EARLY
IN THE MORNING

for a proper
goodbye.

But we wait
for a minute
even so.

I suck in one last breath,
taking in the peace
and quiet
and cold.

I think
what I'll miss the most

is this.
Right here.

The Last Frontier.

Where I could scream
just as loud as I liked.

No one else
would hear.

No one else would even care,
or know.

Reviews/Awards:

"A reluctant reader story that both
validates differences and contains
plenty of roller rink action."

—Kirkus Reviews

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C. H. Williams once thought roller derby was a fictional sport. The day she discovered it wasn't, she purchased her first pair of quad skates, and signed up for her local team. C.H. is a member of the LGBTQIA+ community, and is a strong advocate for queer youth, and promoting inclusion in her stories. She currently resides in the Welsh mountains with her nerdy husband, and their wonderful daughter, along with a growing collection of rocks, sticks, and feathers from their adventures together.



THE LAST STAR CHASER

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When a solar flare engulfs an interstellar space route, the vacation ship *Star Chaser* crash-lands on a hostile planet. Sixteen-year-old Zenna finds herself separated from her parents and in charge of her younger brother. They must traverse the alien wilderness to find her parents—if they are even still alive. Worse yet, *Star Chaser* wasn't the only ship to crash. Zenna soon comes face-to-face with juvenile delinquents that were being transported to a prison planet, and the last thing they want is to be rescued. But Zenna may find an ally in the stoic Arron. Strong and silent, he may just be the help she needs to reunite with her family and make it off the hostile planet alive.

Reviews/Awards:

"This accessible story captures the fast-paced momentum of a survival story with a vulnerable realism. . . . A thrilling science-fiction narrative with appeal for reluctant readers."

—Kirkus Reviews

My (clueless) parents
thought this (space) cruise
would be the perfect (family) vacation.

It's one of the first (luxury cruise) spaceships
(my dad gushes) and my mom
thinks it will be good for us (as a family).

It's the last of its kind (my mom says).
What I hear is that it's old (and outdated).
And should be broken down (for parts).

My abnormal (eight-year-old) brother
Kain (the pain) is all about it.
He's obsessed with space (the total astro-geek).

Kain with his (floppy) brown hair
and (big) brown eyes
and (goofy) smile.

Of course,
no one asked me.

So here I am.

Forced on this trip.

Forced to stand in the lobby of the *Star Chaser*.

Forced to watch out the big windows.

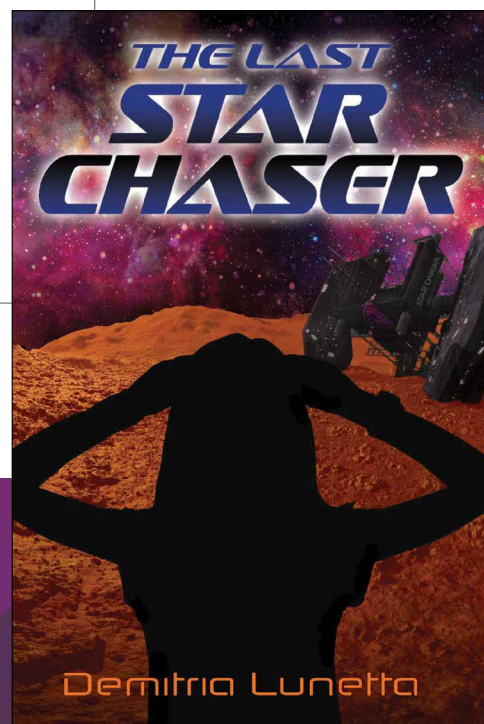
Forced to look out at a whole lot of nothing.

But I won't be forced to pretend that I like it.

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Demitria Lunetta is the author of many YA and middle grade books including: *The Fade*, *Bad Blood* (Delacorte), and the sci-fi duology, *In the After* and *In the End* (HarperTeen). Her hi-lo books include *Bitter & Sweet* and the verse novels *Our Broken Earth* and *The Shining City*. Her graphic novel, *Anti/Hero* is now available from DC Kids. Find her at demitrialunetta.com, on Twitter @DemitriaLunetta and on Facebook at facebook.com/DemitriaLunettaAuthor.



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Sixteen-year-old Cara has cerebral palsy. Self-conscious about her limp, Cara is convinced her disability is what causes boys to always place her in the friend zone. This summer, it seems to be happening again with her new crush, Josh. The two of them are huge fans of a popular mystery podcast and, as it happens, Cara has a real-life mystery of her own. She's never been that curious about the donor who is her biological father, but now that Josh shows an interest in learning his identity, she's all in. As Cara starts exploring, she stumbles upon a family secret that just might explain the feeling she's always had that something important is missing from her life. But with this knowledge, her life may never be the same again.

Mom Tells Me

Celeste's wispy baby hair
was the same red as mine.

Grandma says we looked
almost exactly alike.

But I was bigger.
I was stronger.
Our rough birth
was much harder on her.

*If she had lived,
Mom goes on,
it's likely she'd be
very disabled.
Unable to walk.
Or speak. Or see.*

*She would have had
a good life anyway, I say.
She would have had me.*

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I Thought

they didn't tell me
about my twin because
it upset them too much.
I thought they were
protecting themselves.

*We were so happy
and so sad
at the same time,
Mom explains.*

*So we did our best
to focus on the happy part,
Grandma says.
After all, you needed us.*

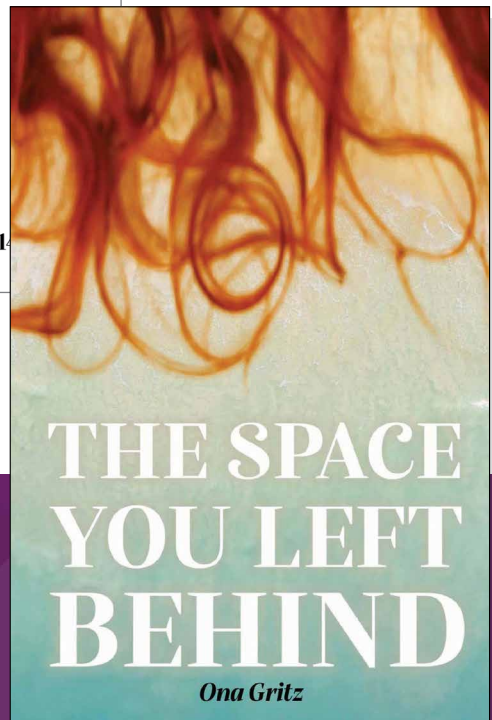
*And, Mom takes my hand,
we never wanted
you to think,
even for a moment,
that you weren't enough.*

Reviews/Awards:

"A compelling, fast page-turner!"
—Meg Eden Kuyatt, author of
Good Different



Ona Gritz holds a master of arts in poetry from the creative writing program at New York University. She is the author, most recently, of *Everywhere I Look*, a memoir. Her writing has appeared in *The Guardian*, *The New York Times*, *Ploughshares*, *Salon*, and many other places. Ona's earlier books include *August Or Forever*, a Reader's Choice and Wishing Shelf finalist in middle grade fiction; *Geode*, a finalist for the Main Street Rag Poetry Book Award and *Tangerines and Tea: My Grandparents and Me*, a Nick Jr. Family Magazine Best Alphabet Book of the Year and Scholastic Magazine Teacher's Pick. She teaches creative writing to teenagers with disabilities through the Numberless Dreams Project. This is her first book for teen readers.



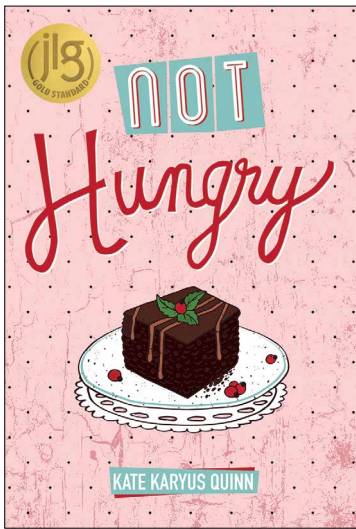
NOT HUNGRY (*HUNGRY, BOOK 1*)

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Reading
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June is fat. June also has an eating disorder, but no one sees. When she doesn't eat, her friends and family think they see a fat girl on a diet, not someone starving herself. When June's secret is found out by Toby, the new boy next door, she is panicked. Then she learns he also has a secret. Everyone has their own little lies.

Reviews/Awards:

"Exquisite writing allows each poem to be savored individually as readers find bits of themselves reflected in the situations and characters and cheer on the unlikely hero." —*Kirkus*

"Recommend to teens who want a lighter, shorter version of novels in verse by authors like Ellen Hopkins." —*YALSA*

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YALSA Quick Picks for Reluctant Readers



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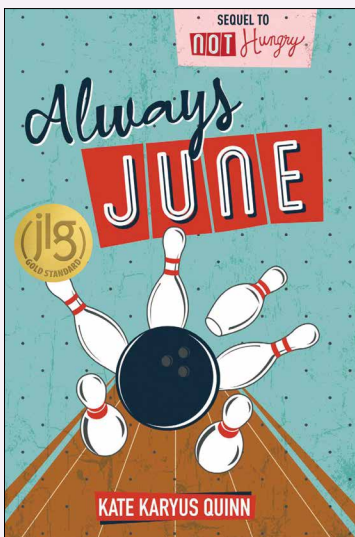
ALWAYS JUNE (*HUNGRY, BOOK 2*)

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June's secret eating disorder has been exposed to her whole school, and she knows there's no going back to the way things were. Plus, her mom has started dating again—and it's serious. What's worse, her big sister Mae leaves for college early after a big fight. While taking refuge at the local bowling alley, June gets roped into joining the girls' bowling team. As she improves her bowling game, June finds a newfound appreciation of all her body can do, a surprising group of outcast friends, and even a new love interest. But June must find a way to deal with her eating disorder—or risk losing everything else.

Reviews/Awards:

"Such a realistic and relatable expression of eating disorders. I truly appreciate this collection and the author's tone."

—NetGalley Reviewer

See above for Kate Karyus Quinn's bio.

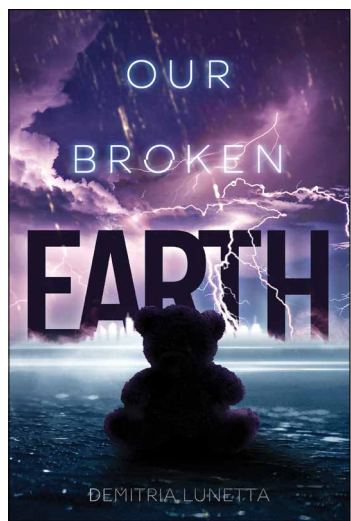
OUR BROKEN EARTH

(MALCOLM WALKER, BOOK 1)

BY: DEMITRIA LUNETTA

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About the Author Section, High/Low ContentReading
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In the near future, the tides are rising, the weather is out of control, and the rain is poison. Mal lost his family in a storm and now lives with other young people, trying to survive the changing world. Faced with the threat of the rising water and his friend's illness, Mal and his makeshift family must travel across the country to reach a safe place. But the road is dangerous and not all will find their way safely to their new home.



Demitria Lunetta is the author of many YA and MG books including: *The Fade*, *Bad Blood*, and the sci-fi duology, *In the After* and *In the End*. Her Hi-Lo books include *Our Broken Earth* and *Bitter & Sweet*. Her graphic novel, *Anti/Hero* with co-author Kate Karyus Quinn, is now available from DC. Find her at demitrialunetta.com, on Twitter @DemitriaLunetta and on Facebook at facebook.com/DemitriaLunettaAuthor.

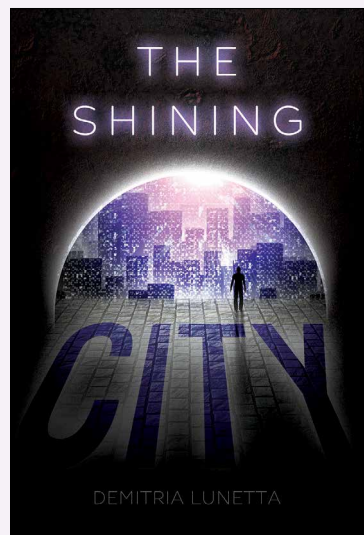
THE SHINING CITY

(MALCOLM WALKER, BOOK 2)

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About the Author Section, High/Low Content

Mal has finally completed the long, dangerous journey to safety in the Shining City. And though he started the trek with friends, he is now the only survivor. There, in the sparkling metropolis, he believes that he is protected from the dangers of the climate-ravaged world. But as a refugee, Mal must live in special housing, cannot move around freely, and faces extreme prejudice. He learns that he can earn full citizenship by working through an elaborate points system, which involves taking part in deadly jobs and games. Risking his life to become a citizen of the Shining City, Mal realizes that his dream of safety was an illusion. Soon, Mal becomes involved with a group of revolutionaries. In this dystopian sequel to *Our Broken Earth*, Mal needs to choose between supporting the oppressive system that saved his life and fighting for what's right.

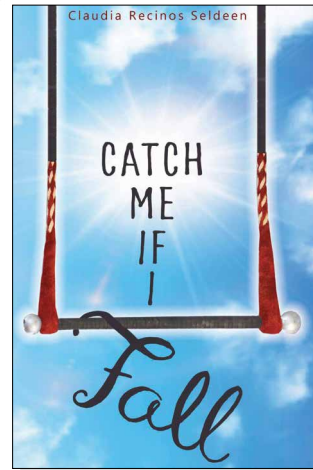
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CATCH ME IF I FALL**By:** Claudia Recinos Seldeen**HC ed.:** \$25.80 / **\$19.40** • 9781978596344**eBook:** \$25.80 / **\$19.40** • 9781978596368**Pbk ed.:** \$16.35 / **\$14.20** • 9781978596351

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About the Author Section, High/Low Content

Angela has been training on a trapeze since she was a child. She loves the dizzying heights, the acrobatics, and the way it tests her strength. But she doesn't love the way her Guatemalan mother is always pushing her to train harder because "immigrants have to try twice as hard just to shine half as bright." When Angela's best friend introduces her to boxing, she finds something that makes her genuinely happy. There's no pressure to be graceful and no expectation to be perfect. But the more Angela practices boxing, the more she realizes her pursuit of happiness might risk her reputation for perfection. And if she's not the perfect daughter, then who is she?



Claudia Recinos Seldeen is the author of the young adult novels *To Be Maya*, *Catch Me if I Fall*, and *Everything I Know*. Her work has appeared in *The Amphibian Literary Journal* and *First Peoples Shared Stories*. Claudia is a first generation Guatemalan American. When not writing, she is either playing video games with her husband and son, or flying through the air on a trapeze. Find out more at www.recinosseldeen.com.

EVERYTHING I KNOW**By:** Claudia Recinos Seldeen**HC ed.:** \$25.80 / **\$19.40** • 9781978596764**eBook:** \$25.80 / **\$19.40** • 9781978596788**Pbk ed.:** \$16.35 / **\$14.20** • 9781978596771

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About the Author Section, High/Low Content

Mia's world crumbles when she finds out she has to move across the country. Mia's autism makes it hard to handle new situations. She struggles to relate to strangers and to make new friends. Everyone at Mia's old school was familiar with her autism. But life at her new school is different. Kids don't understand Mia's behaviors and needs. All her life, Mia has coped by relying on the familiar. She's made routines that get her through each day. But in this new city, her routines fall apart. How can Mia survive when she's so far away from everything she knows?

**Reviews/Awards:**

"Striving readers who like school stories, books dealing with autism, and making new friends will enjoy. Recommended for library collections where school tales and novels in verse are popular."
—*School Library Journal*

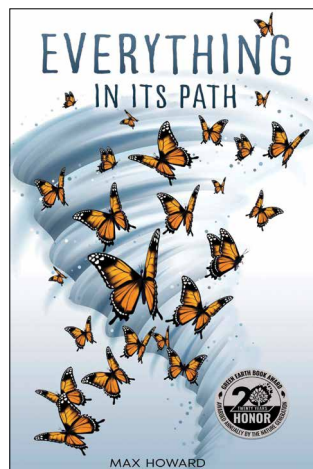
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**EVERYTHING IN ITS PATH****By:** Max Howard**HC ed.:** \$25.80 / **\$19.40** • 9781978596405**eBook:** \$25.80 / **\$19.40** • 9781978596429**Pbk ed.:** \$16.35 / **\$14.20** • 9781978596412

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About the Author Section, High/Low Content

Sixteen-year-old Noah loses his home in a freak tornado. He hopes the mass devastation will serve as the wake-up call society needs to really deal with climate change and worsening storms. Instead, everyone around Noah wants to "get back to normal." Noah feels alienated from everyone except for his nerdy little brother Quinn, who is obsessed with butterflies. When Noah learns how sensitive monarch butterflies are to climate change, the two brothers take off on a journey to document their threatened migration—and hopefully make a difference in a world on the brink of disaster.

**Reviews/Awards:**

**2024 Green Earth Book
Award Honoree**

Max Howard is the author of *Fifteen and Change*, *The Water Year*, and *Surviving American History*. Max's writing has received recognition from the American Library Association (YALSA), the Junior Library Guild, and the North Star YA Award committee. Max loves crosswords, Wordle, and word games in general—which is why there is an animal (or animal pun) on each of these pages, inviting you to see the nonhuman world.

EVERYTHING YOU LEFT MEBy: **Paige Classey**HC ed.: \$25.80 / **\$19.40** • 9781978596467eBook: \$25.80 / **\$19.40** • 9781978596481Pbk ed.: \$16.35 / **\$14.20** • 9781978596474

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When the police come knocking at her door, Maybeth is worried her mother is caught up in their small town's drug scene again. Instead, the police are there to question Maybeth about her beloved and long-absent father. He has become the lead suspect in a string of unsolved murders across the country...and Maybeth may be the key to convicting him. Trapped between her scientific mind and her love for her father, Maybeth is forced to confront the reality of who her father really is—and what that might make her as well.



Paige Classey is a school librarian who lives with her husband and son on the Connecticut shoreline. Her articles on libraries and education have appeared in *School Library Journal*, *TEACH Magazine*, and *Education Week*. This is her first novel.

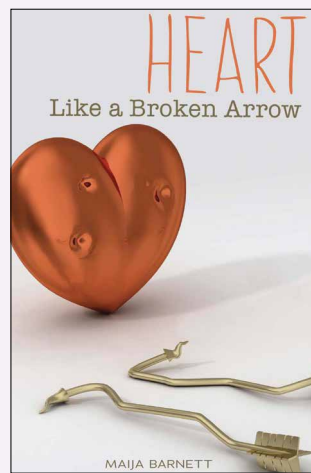
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HEART LIKE A BROKEN ARROWBy: **Maija Barnett**HC ed.: \$25.80 / **\$19.40** • 9781978596498eBook: \$25.80 / **\$19.40** • 9781978596511Pbk ed.: \$16.35 / **\$14.20** • 9781978596504

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About the Author Section, High/Low Content

Seventeen-year-old Fern Blakely struggles to overcome her younger brother's death, for which she feels responsible. Fern drinks to forget. After a night of partying, she crashes her truck on an icy Vermont road, and her life is changed forever. A former runner, Fern is now paralyzed from the waist down. Her depressed mother has neither the funds nor the ability to care for her, so Fern is sent to live with Helen, her estranged father's aunt. It is with Helen that Fern overcomes her own depression and develops a love for archery. This passion sets Fern on a new path, but will she ever be able to outrun her past?

**Reviews/Awards:**

"This novel in verse is brilliantly written and a must-read for all."

—NetGalley Reviewer

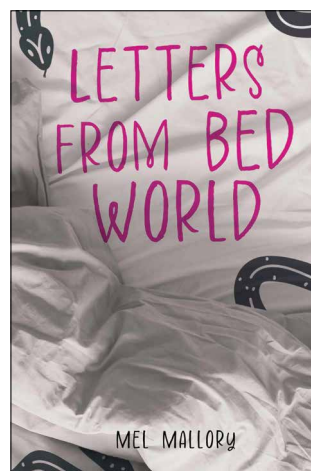
Maija Barnett grew up in Central Vermont and now lives in Massachusetts with her husband and two teenage daughters. She loves nature, poetry, hiking in the woods with her dog, and finding ways to get kids excited about reading. Maija holds degrees in English and teaching and currently teaches at a school for students with learning differences.

LETTERS FROM BED WORLDBy: **Mel Mallory**HC ed.: \$25.80 / **\$19.40** • 9781978596825eBook: \$25.80 / **\$19.40** • 9781978596849Pbk ed.: \$16.35 / **\$14.20** • 9781978596832

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About the Author Section, High/Low Content

Living with an energy-limiting chronic illness, Val spends a lot of time in her bedroom. Her older sister Lia had always found ways to make "bed world" feel just as fun as the outside world. But all that changed after Lia died in a tragic accident—an accident Val feels partially responsible for. On an online peer support forum, she meets someone she can finally open up to—a voice hearer who's dealt with her own share of grief. Through a series of letters to her sister, Val confronts life after her sister's death as she tries to find a way to make "bed world"—and the rest of the world—livable again.



Mel Mallory (she/her) works at a peer-led mental health organization. Her previous verse novels include *Survive and Keep Surviving* and *The Best Part Is at the End*. She also writes for *The Squeaky Wheel*, a satire publication written by and for disabled people. You can find her at melmallory.com.

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NO PLACE FOR FAIRY TALES

By: Edd Tello

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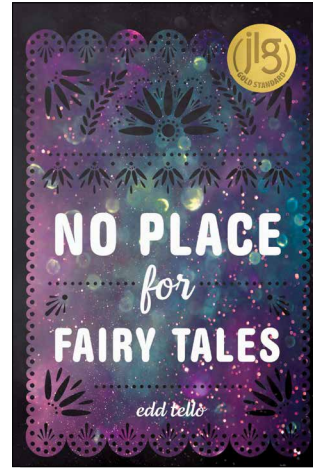
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About the Author Section, High/Low Content

Yuriel's poor neighborhood in Monterrey, Mexico, isn't a place where fairy tales happen. Yuriel and his cousin Azul work each day doing laundry to help their family make a living. So when Azul, a trans teen, decides she wants to mark her transition to womanhood with a quinceañera, Yuriel is sure it's an impossible dream. They don't have the money, and besides, Azul's father would never support her transition. But as an openly gay artist in a traditional family, Yuriel sees how important this rite of passage is for Azul. As Yuriel risks everything to play fairy godmother to Azul, he realizes it's going to take a little bit of magic to pull off this once-in-a-lifetime quinceañera.



Reviews/Awards:

**Junior Library Guild Gold
Standard Selection**

"No Place for Fairy Tales is a powerful reminder of the importance of friendship, acceptance, and unconditional love in overcoming life's hurdles. Highly recommended for readers of all ages and backgrounds."

—NetGalley Reviewer

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THE ART OF BEING A VAMPIRE

By: Kate Karyus Quinn

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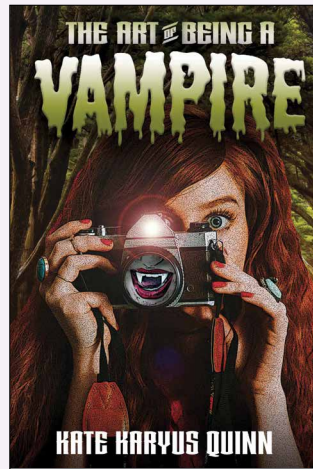
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About the Author Section, High/Low Content

With an addict mother and deadbeat dad, Shelby truly hopes that blood does not define her. She discovers a passion for photography, hoping to make something of herself through art. But when her mother dies of an overdose, Shelby finds herself in a dark place. Taken in by her aunt, she rebels in school and turns away from everyone, except a mysterious classmate named Brandt. Shelby doesn't realize that Brandt is a vampire—until it's too late. Overwhelmed by new cravings for blood, Shelby must decide whether to abandon her values to satisfy her hunger—or fight for the life she's always wanted.



Reviews/Awards:

"A quick read with a gritty, urban horror setting and a moody but compelling narrator, this will appeal to a wide range of high schoolers."

—School Library Journal

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THE BEST PART IS AT THE END

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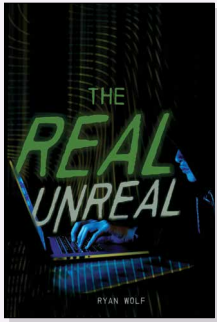
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About the Author Section, High/Low Content

Anna loves movies. If her life were a movie and she wrote the script, she wouldn't be living with her reserved parents in rural Pennsylvania. And she wouldn't have to face her pregnant sister who just moved back home after being gone for three years. Feeling stuck, all Anna wants to do is disappear into her TV screen. But when Anna strikes up a friendship with Aiden, a cashier at one of the last remaining video stores in the state, she finds unexpected acceptance in his virtual film club. Anna knows happy endings are for the movies, but maybe she can find her own.



Mel Mallory (she/her) works at a peer-led mental health organization. As a kid, she spent way too much time debating which VHS tape to rent at her local video store. She now lives in Maryland with her two guinea pigs. Her other verse novel, *Survive and Keep Surviving*, is about healing after experiencing mental distress and trauma. You can find her at melmallory.com.



Reviews/Awards:

"An excellent hi-lo verse novel about a vital topic in today's political landscape."
—School Library Journal

THE REAL UNREAL

By: Ryan Wolf

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Excerpts from other Books within this Series, Written in Verse,
About the Author Section, High/Low Content

Nate Reilly is having the worst summer of his life. His parents are never home, he lost his job, and his arts program was cancelled due to a virus outbreak. When Nate comes across an online "game" that promises forbidden knowledge, he is quick to click the link. Soon, he finds himself plunged down a rabbit hole of strange theories, dark plots, and fanatical believers. As he grows alienated from his family and friends, Nate is consumed by his newfound ideas. But can he unplug from a destructive alternate reality before he takes it too far?

See page 76 for Ryan Wolf's bio.



Reviews/Awards:

"Readers who like books dealing with civics, school stories, and characters who are trying to make a difference will enjoy this title. Recommended where such books are popular."
—School Library Journal

THE SURPRISE PARTY RULES

By: Max Howard

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About the Author Section, High/Low Content

Fun-loving troublemaker Ivy Sawyer is unjustly fired from her ice cream shop job, and now she's out for revenge. The owner of the shop is running to be reelected mayor of their small town, and Ivy will do anything to keep him from winning. What she doesn't expect is being elected mayor herself as the candidate of the prankish "Surprise Party." Now Ivy has to deal with governing the town while juggling her senior year of high school and her activist friends' expectations. She has big problems to solve, from poverty to housing to flooding, and can't seem to win over the conservative city council. Knowing people's lives are on the line, Ivy sets out to govern creatively without losing who she is. But she'll have to figure out: what's the difference between a troublemaker and a leader?

See page 88 for Max Howard's bio.



THE SONG I'M IN

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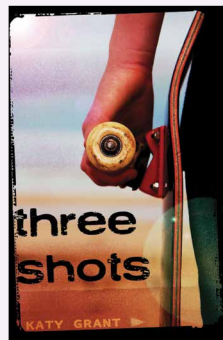
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About the Author Section, High/Low Content

Despite crippling anxiety, Skyler Reeds has weathered her parents' divorce and, along with her twin sister Katy, has moved to her mom's boyfriend's house in Burlington, Vermont. Now Skyler has to deal with living in a new blended household and brave a new high school while dealing with worsening dermatillomania, a disorder that causes her to obsessively pick her skin. Skyler's only refuge is her singing voice, which she's silenced as her face fills with wounds and scars. But Skyler is given a chance to join the school's elite chorus—a dream come true. Skyler has tried so hard to be invisible, but this might be her one chance to shine.

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THREE SHOTS

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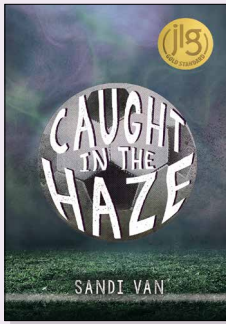
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About the Author Section, High/Low Content

Daniel Valdez loves skateboarding with his friend, Gracie. Sometimes he even wonders if they can be more than friends. Then Gracie's mother kills her two children before turning the gun on herself. As grief counselors swoop into his high school and the whole community reels from the horrific deaths, Daniel drowns in his own pain and disbelief. What is his life without Gracie in it? As Daniel works through his grief, he'll need to find a way to move forward without leaving Gracie behind.

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Reviews/Awards:

Winner of the YAdudeBooks
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CAUGHT IN THE HAZE

By: Sandi Van

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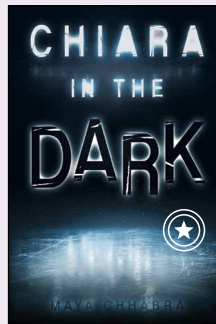
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Reviews/Awards:

Junior Library Guild Gold Standard Selection

"A fast-paced sports novel for reluctant readers." —*Kirkus*

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CHIARA IN THE DARK

By: Maya Chhabra

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Reviews/Awards:

★ "A sympathetic and ultimately hopeful story of strength." —*Kirkus*, STARRED REVIEW

"Chhabra weaves a complex story of the fears and stigma associated with mental health and mental illness, and . . . it is a privilege to watch Chiara grow and take control of her life." —*Booklist*

Visit West44books.com for Maya Chhabra's bio.

FEATURED AUTHOR



Angel Barber was born and raised in Buffalo, New York. He is a 19-year-old student at Buffalo State College studying television film arts, with interests in film, philosophy, and psychology. He has written various forms of poetry with the Just Buffalo Writing Center and plans to continue writing and strengthening his poetry and prose well into the future. *Dandelion Travels* is his first novel.



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CLEAR CUT

By: Melody Dodds

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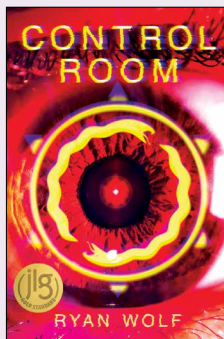
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Melody Dodds is a chemist and former substitute teacher. In addition to this book, she is the author of another verse novel, *Little Pills*. She shares her home with two cats and one husband, and is building a foil ball exclusively from candy wrappers. It is currently the size of a small pumpkin.



CONTROL ROOM

By: Ryan Wolf

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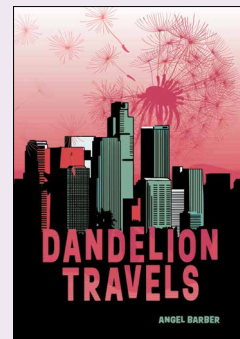
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Reviews/Awards:

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Reviews/Awards:

"A strong, emotionally complex choice for reluctant readers." —*Kirkus*

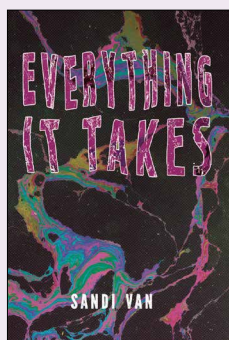
"An exploration of teen drama that will appeal to a wide range of high school readers." —*School Library Journal*

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FEATURED AUTHOR



Edd Tello is the author of the young adult books *Only Pieces* (2022) and *No Place for Fairy Tales* (2023) from West 44 Books. Both titles are Junior Library Guild Gold Standard Selections. Edd holds a master's degree in creative writing from the University of Seville. When he isn't reading or writing, you can find him drinking coffee or making his friends laugh with his unfortunate anecdotes and jokes. Edd currently lives in Vancouver, Canada. You can find him online at eddtello.com, and @eddtello on socials.

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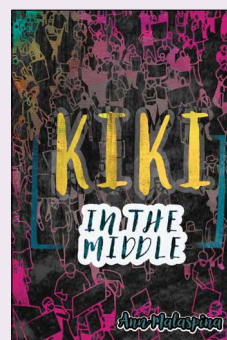
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KIKI IN THE MIDDLE

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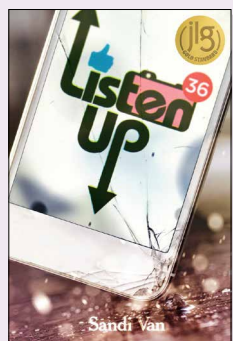
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Reviews/Awards:

"An entry point for reluctant readers to explore the personal side of social justice issues." —*Kirkus*

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LISTEN UP

By: Sandi Van

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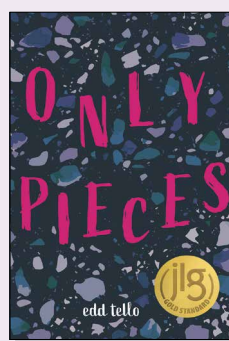
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Reviews/Awards:

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ONLY PIECES

By: Edd Tello

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eBook: \$25.80 / \$19.40 • 9781978596023

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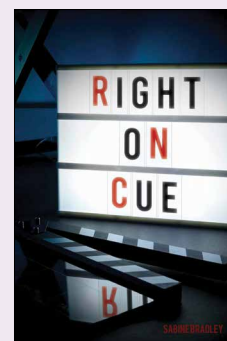
Reviews/Awards:

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"The author infuses some lovely imagery and Mexican folklore into this overall pleasing offering. An appealing coming-of-age story that will engage reluctant readers." —*Kirkus*

"*Only Pieces* is a satisfying novel in verse about the different types of love that bind diverse people together to form a beautiful whole." —*Foreword Reviews*

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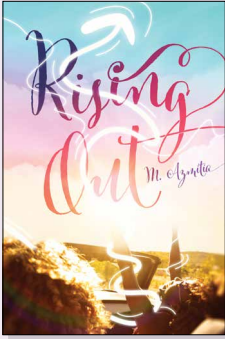
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Reviews/Awards:

"A compact, emotionally resonant tale ideal for reluctant readers." —*Kirkus*

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RISING OUT

By: M. Azmitia

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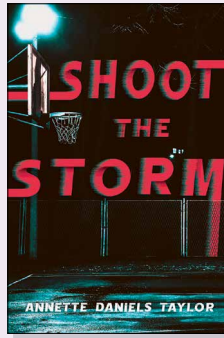
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M. Azmitia is a government employee by day and a poet/cat lady by night in New York City. She holds a degree in English and creative writing. Azmitia writes about identity, discovery, and acceptance in marginalized communities in the hopes of starting crucial conversations about diversity. Her first novel, *The Same Blood*, is a Junior Library Guild Gold Standard Selection about Latinidad and mental health in families of color.



SHOOT THE STORM

By: Annette Daniels Taylor

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Annette Daniels Taylor is the award-winning author of the YA novel in verse *Dreams on Fire*. She uses multiple media disciplines, including poetry, performance, filmmaking, playwriting, and vocals, to tell her stories. A veteran teaching artist, Annette leads writing, performance, and media workshops in various learning institutions and community organizations. She is an adjunct professor at SUNY Buffalo State teaching broadcast media writing. Born and raised in Staten Island, Annette works and lives with her family, cats, and plants in Buffalo, New York.



SICK GIRL SECRETS

By: Anna Russell

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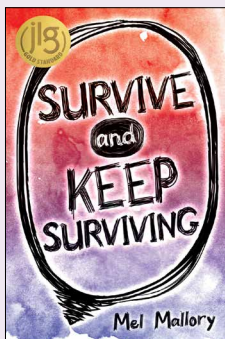
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Anna Russell is a disabled and chronically ill writer from Buffalo, NY. She holds an MFA in creative writing. Her writing explores topics on chronic illnesses, mental health, and other disabilities to shine a light on these often underrepresented experiences. Her other novel in verse, *What If?*, was published in 2018.



SURVIVE AND KEEP SURVIVING

By: Mel Mallory

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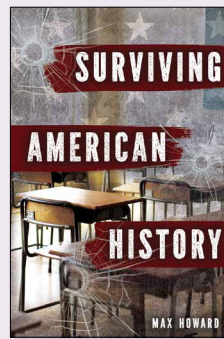
Reviews/Awards:

Junior Library Guild Gold Standard Selection

"This slim novel works both as a high/low pick and a selection for those seeking a realistic, emotionally intelligent read." —*Booklist*

"A novel for reluctant readers that explores a young woman's courage in finding her voice." —*Kirkus*

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SURVIVING AMERICAN HISTORY

By: Max Howard

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Reviews/Awards:

Winner of North Star YA Award (Maine)

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THE DRAGONS CLUB

By: Cyn Bermudez

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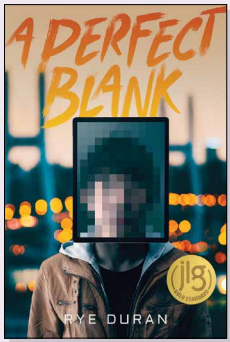
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Reviews/Awards:

★ "Sharp, tender, carefully crafted; highly recommended for both strong and striving readers." —*Kirkus*, STARRED Review

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By: Rye Duran

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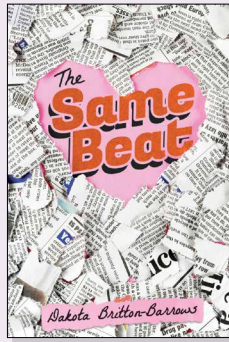
Reviews/Awards:

Junior Library Guild Gold Standard Selection

"For the collection looking to build its LGBT titles, this is a book that praises every life as remarkable and worthy."

—School Library Journal

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THE SAME BEAT

By: Dakota Britton-Barrows

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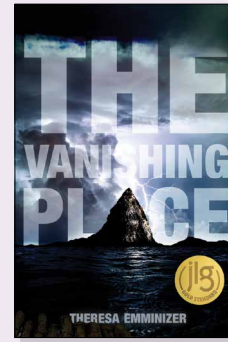
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Reviews/Awards:

Junior Library Guild Gold Standard Selection

"An adventure story for reluctant readers driven by high winds of melodrama." —Kirkus

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THINGS THAT BURN

By: A.M. Rogers

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Reviews/Awards:

"Emotional turmoil and environmental threats are skillfully handled in this accessible novel in verse."

—Kirkus

A.M. Rogers is a writer and actress who lives on the shores of Lake Erie. She is passionate about creating community through storytelling and literature, and she believes we need to do something yesterday about climate change. She loves libraries and cats—and (you guessed it) library cats.



TO BE MAYA

By: Claudia Recinos Seldeen

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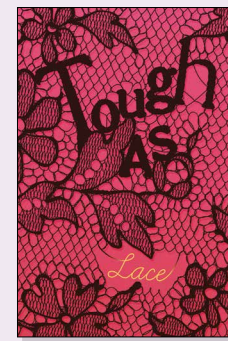
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Reviews/Awards:

"A strong voice and lyrical prose center the experiences of a Guatemalan American teen."

—Kirkus

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TOUGH AS LACE

By: Lexi Bruce

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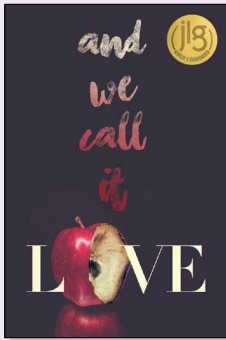
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Lexi Bruce is the author of *More Than Anger*. She received a degree in English and creative writing from Canisius College in Buffalo, NY. She currently resides in the U.S. Virgin Islands. As a high school student, she struggled with anxiety and wished she could be a star lacrosse player. Now she lives happily (and occasionally anxiously) as a writer/bookseller/greengrocer.



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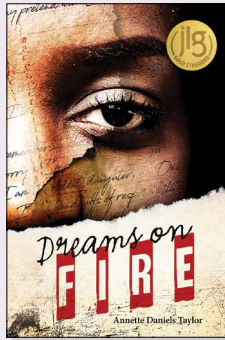
Reviews/Awards:

Junior Library Guild Gold Standard Selection

"Best friends combat relationship strain caused by parental interference, secrets, and a new abusive boyfriend in this novel in verse. . . . Holds strong appeal for reluctant readers, exploring different types of love, social class, and dating violence."

—Kirkus

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DREAMS ON FIRE

By: Annette Daniels Taylor

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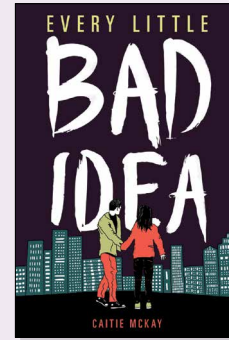
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Reviews/Awards:

Junior Library Guild Gold Standard Selection
In the Margins Book Award Winner

"America's systemic race and class problems are viscerally rendered in this evocative account. A haunting and honest depiction of adversity and triumph that reveals America's continuing struggle to give equal opportunities to all." —Kirkus

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EVERY LITTLE BAD IDEA

By: Caitie McKay

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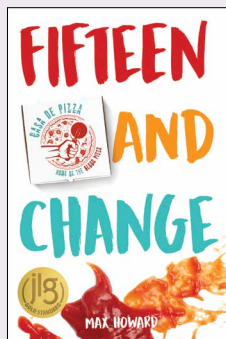
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Reviews/Awards:

"The author uses poetic verse to draw the reader into Skyler's head, creating an immediacy and intimacy that make this short novel compelling and resonant. The ensuing heartbreak is mirrored by the novel's verse, providing a clever presentation of a familiar topic. An appealing choice." —Kirkus

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By: Max Howard

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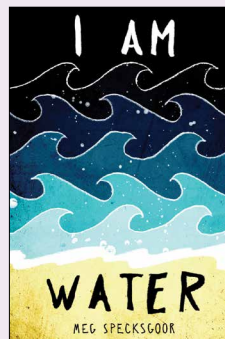
Reviews/Awards:

Junior Library Guild Gold Standard Selection

"This novel in verse has a sense of urgency. Short poems provide readers with snapshots of life in poverty, loneliness in high school, and the unfair treatment of fast food employees by management."

—School Library Journal

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I AM WATER

By: Meg Specksgoor

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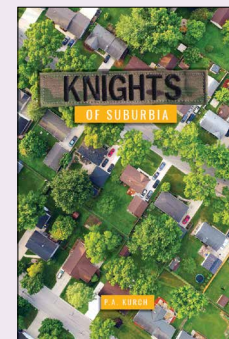
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Meg Specksgoor is a poet and river-rafting guide in northern New Mexico. She graduated from Houghton College with a degree in English and writing with minors in art and intercultural studies. She likes campfires, breakfast, adventuring, and people who tell her interesting stories in combination with any of those activities.



KNIGHTS OF SUBURBIA

By: P. A. Kurch

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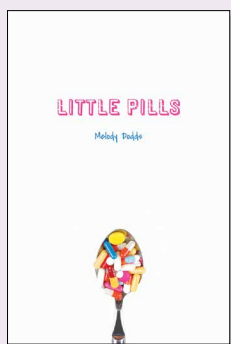
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P. A. Kurch first began *Knights of Suburbia* as a comic strip in his college newspaper that was largely based on his own experiences of his older brother's deployment in Iraq and Afghanistan. He is excited to finally be able to share this story with readers as his first officially published work. When he is not writing or drawing, P. A. Kurch gets to be the biggest kid-at-heart every day as a teacher.

**LITTLE PILLS**

By: Melody Dodds

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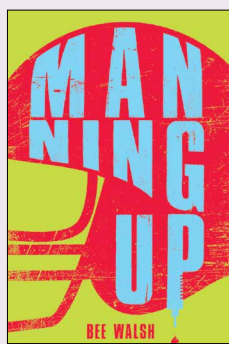
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Reviews/Awards:

"Dodds presents a genuine, complicated, and struggling teenage protagonist in Charlotte. . . . An engrossing, lyrical debut with strong appeal for reluctant readers that confronts the realities of addiction through an absorbing first-person narrative." —*Kirkus*

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**MANNING UP**

By: Bee Walsh

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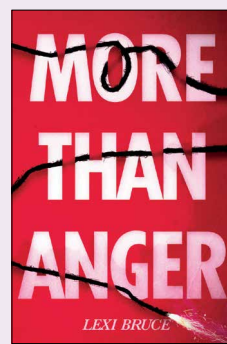
Reviews/Awards:

2021 Lone Star Reading List

YALSA Quick Picks for Reluctant Readers

"A short but impactful read about a topic teens face more often than is widely known and which is not typically seen in YA fiction." —*YALSA*

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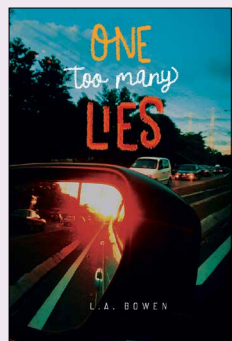
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**ONE TOO MANY LIES**

By: L. A. Bowen

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Reviews/Awards:

"Debut author Bowen ultimately offers a glimmer of redemption. Without judgment, she uses Paige's first-person narrative to show the dangers of alcohol and drugs by constructing a linear path of poems that will haunt the reader. Engaging novel." —*Kirkus*

"Give this coming-of-age work to fans of YA verse novels and reluctant readers." —*School Library Journal*

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**SANCTUARY SOMEWHERE**

By: Brenna Dimmig

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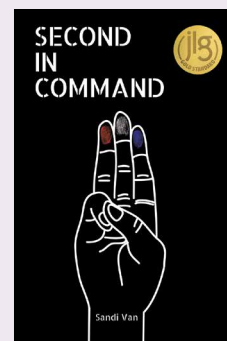
Reviews/Awards:

Junior Library Guild Gold Standard Selection

"Debut author Dimmig produces a deep and meaningful story in verse for reluctant readers about a young man who is shocked to discover that he is undocumented. . . . The narrative is powerful, informative, and insightful. . . .

An undeniably moving read recommended for absolutely everyone, Dreamer or not." —*Kirkus*

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**SECOND IN COMMAND**

By: Sandi Van

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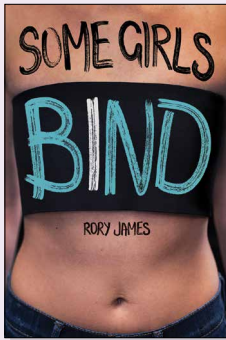
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Reviews/Awards:

Junior Library Guild Gold Standard Selection

"Teens overwhelmed by a parent called up for active duty will connect with this quick read that depicts young people confronting life without the benefit of a consistent parental presence. VERDICT: This novel in verse is recommended for reluctant readers, especially in areas where there is a large military population." —*School Library Journal*

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SOME GIRLS BIND

By: Rory James

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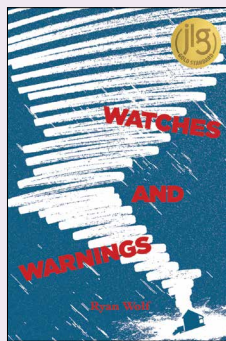
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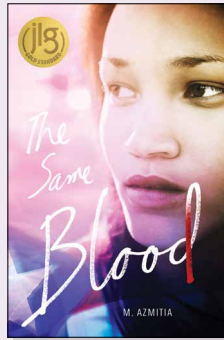
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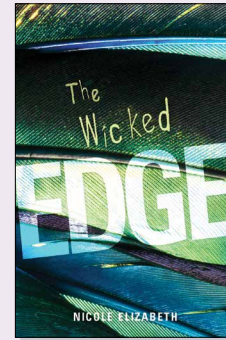
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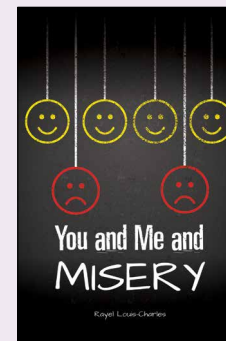
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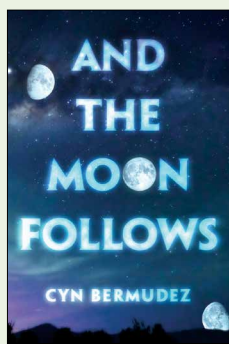
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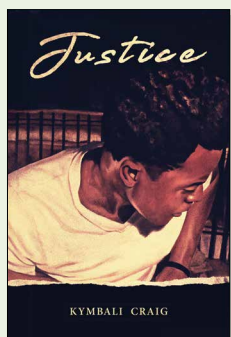
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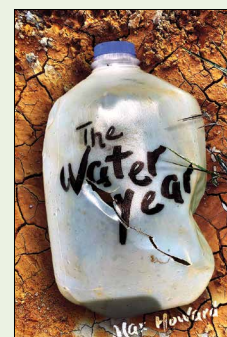
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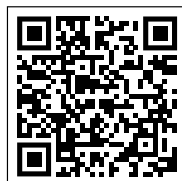
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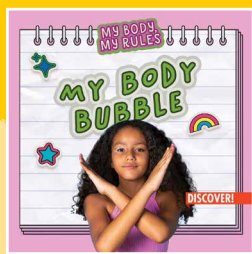


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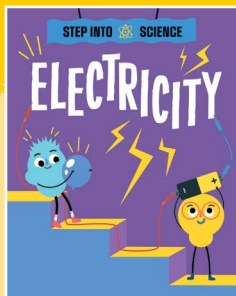
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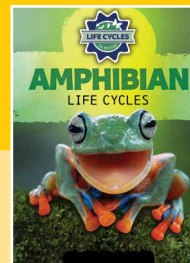
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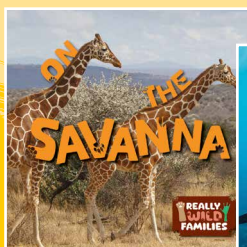
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