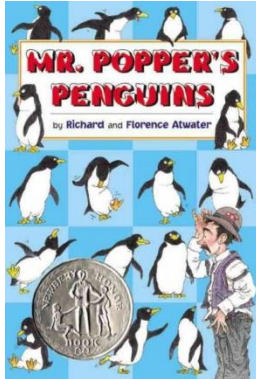


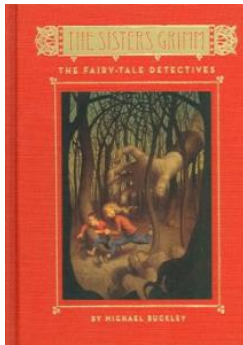
GRADE FIVE



Mr. Popper's Penguins

Richard Atwater

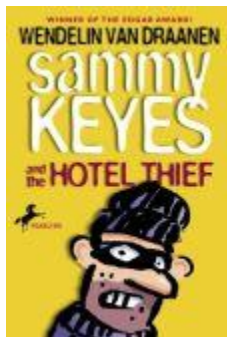
The unexpected delivery of a large crate containing an Antarctic penguin changes the life and fortunes of Mr. Popper, a house painter obsessed by dreams of the Polar regions.



The Sisters Grimm series

Michael Buckley

Orphans Sabrina and Daphne Grimm are sent to live with an eccentric grandmother that they have always believed to be dead.



Sammy Keyes and the Hotel Thief—Sammy Keyes mystery series

Wendelin Van Draanen

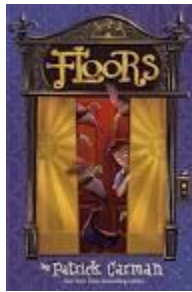
Sammy should have put the binoculars down and called 911. Instead she tightens up the focus on her right eye to get a better look. There's something very familiar about this thief. But when Sammy eventually spills her story to Officer Borsch, he doesn't believe her. Well, Sammy's not going to stand for that. She's a *seventh grader* now, and she knows what she saw. And somehow she's going to prove it.



Miss You, Mina --Candy Apple series

Various authors

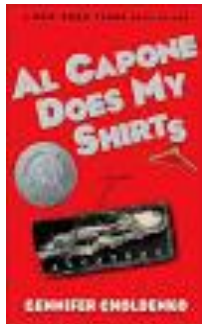
Willhelmina "Mina" Chestnut loves spending time with her BFFs, Samantha and Liza, in their New Jersey suburb. But this summer, the girls are splitting up, and Mina is attending an art camp in New York City!



Floors series

Patrick Carman

Leo, son of the maintenance man at the Whippet Hotel, knows how quirky the building can be, but when a series of mysterious boxes are left for him, they lead to hidden floors, strange puzzles and unexpected alliances



Al Capone at Alcatraz series

Gennifer Choldenko

A twelve-year-old boy named Moose moves to Alcatraz Island in 1935 when guards' families were housed there, and has to contend with his extraordinary new environment in addition to life with his autistic sister.



Cinderella Cleaners series

Maya Gold

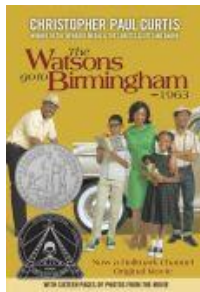
Behind the counter at Cinderella Cleaners, Diana watches the clothes come and go. She loves to imagine the exciting events that the different outfits might be worn to – and quickly finds herself in adventures of her own!



How to Train Your Dragon series

Cressida Cowell

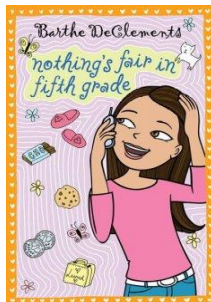
Follow the misadventures of Hiccup Horrendous Haddock the Third as he tries to pass the important initiation test of his Viking clan by catching and training a dragon.



The Watsons go to Birmingham

Paul Christopher Curtis

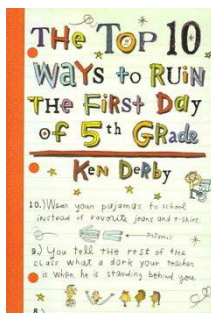
The ordinary interactions and everyday routines of the Watsons, an African American family living in Flint, Michigan, are drastically changed after they go visit Grandma in Alabama in 1963.



Nothing's Fair in the Fifth Grade

Barthe DeClements

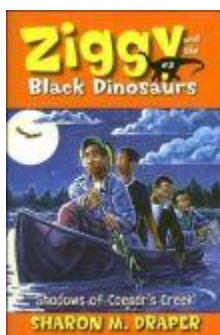
Initially repelled by an overweight new student who has serious home problems, the fifth grade class finally learns to accept her.



The 10 Top Ways to Ruin the First Day of 5th Grade

Kenneth Derby

Follows the humorous attempts of fifth grader Anthony "TB" Madison to become a guest on his favorite television show.



Ziggy and the Black Dinosaurs series

Sharon Draper

Ziggy and his friends form a club called the Black Dinosaurs, and soon find themselves solving mysteries in their very own neighborhood!



Planet Middle School

Nikki Grimes

For twelve years, Joylin Johnson's life has been fine. A game of basketball with the boys-especially Jake-was all it took to put a smile on her face. Baggy jeans, T-shirt, and hair in a ponytail were easy choices. Then, everything seemed to change all at once. Her best girl friend is now flirting with her best guy friend. Her clothes seem all wrong. Jake is acting weird, and basketball isn't the same. Worst of all, there is this guy who appears from . . . where? What lengths will Joy go to attract his attention?



Baseball Card Adventure series

Dan Gutman

With his ability to travel through time by using baseball cards, Joe meets famous players such as Ted Williams, Mickey Mantle and Jackie Robinson.



Shadow Children series

Margaret Peterson Haddix

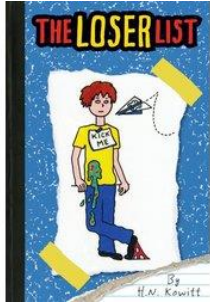
In a future where the Population Police enforce the law limiting a family to only two children, Luke has lived all his twelve years in isolation and fear on his family's farm, until another "third" convinces him that the government is wrong.



Goddess Girls series

Joan Holub and Suzanne Williams

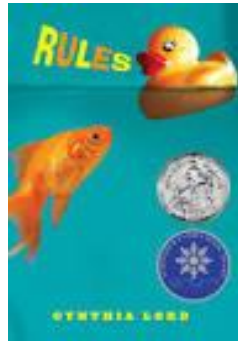
Teen life meets Greek mythology in these exciting stories of love and friendship.



Loser List series

H.N. Kowitz

When Danny gets caught trying to cross his name off the "geek" list in the girls' bathroom, he's sent to detention. Bullies torment him mercilessly, until they discover that Danny can draw. He enjoys his new "bad boy" status, supplying tattoos and graffiti, until he's unknowingly drawn into a theft. Turns out the bullies took a comic book from Danny's favorite store. Can he steal it back before they get caught — and break off with the bullies before he gets in too deep?



Rules

Cynthia Lord

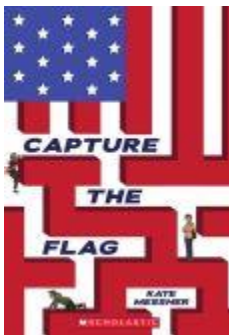
Frustrated at life with an autistic brother, twelve-year-old Catherine longs for a normal existence, but her world is further complicated by a friendship with a young paraplegic.



Million-Dollar Throw

Mike Lupica

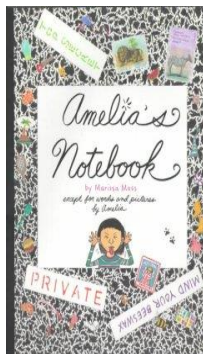
Eighth-grade star quarterback Nate Brodie is frantic to win a million dollars by completing a pass during the halftime of a New England Patriot's game to help his family and his best friend Abby who is going blind.



Capture the Flag

Kate Messner

Anna, José, and Henry are complete strangers with more in common than they realize. Snowed in together at a chaotic Washington D.C. airport, they encounter a mysterious tattooed man, a flamboyant politician, and a rambunctious poodle named for an ancient king. Even stranger, news stations everywhere have announced that the famous flag that inspired "The Star-Spangled Banner" has been stolen! Anna, certain that the culprits must be snowed in too, recruits Henry and José to help catch the thieves and bring them to justice.



Amelia's Notebook series

Marissa Moss

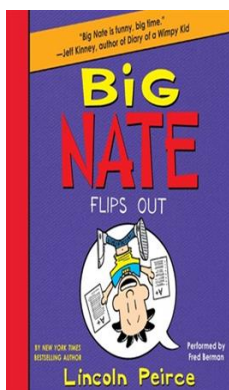
The hand-lettered contents of a nine-year-old girl's notebook, in which she records her thoughts and feelings about moving, starting school, and dealing with her older sister, as well as keeping her old best friend and making a new one.



The Candy Shop War

Brandon Mull

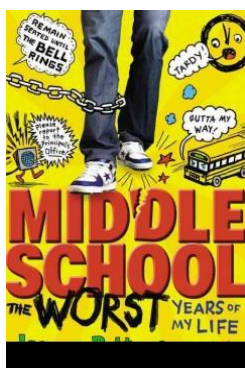
When fifth-graders Nate, Summer, Trevor, and Pigeon meet the owner of the new candy store in town and are given a magical candy that endows them with super powers, they find that along with its benefits there are also dangerous consequences.



Big Nate series

Lincoln Peirce

Rebellious eleven year old Nate navigates life in the sixth grade with his family, friends and his nemesis social studies teacher.



Middle School series

James Patterson

Follow the hilarious adventures of siblings Rafe and Georgia Khatchadorian as they struggle to survive the pressures of middle school.



Jump Into the Sky
Shelley Pearsall

In 1945, thirteen-year-old Levi is sent to find the father he has not seen in three years, going from Chicago, to segregated North Carolina, and finally to Pendleton, Oregon, where he learns that his father's unit, the all-Black 555th paratrooper battalion, will never see combat but finally has a mission. Includes historical notes.



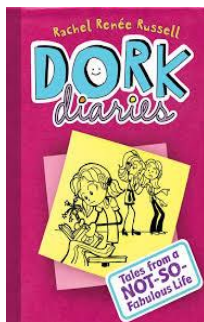
Guys Read series
Jon Scieszka

These anthologies of short stories cover various topics: sports, humor and other worlds (science fiction), as well as the thriller volume.



The Westing Game
Ellen Raskin

The mysterious death of an eccentric millionaire brings together an unlikely assortment of heirs who must uncover the circumstances of his death before they can claim their inheritance.



Dork Diaries series
Rachel Russell

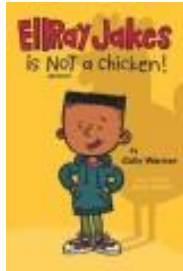
Fourteen-year-old Nikki Maxwell writes in her diary of her struggle to be popular at her exclusive new private school, then of finding her place after she gives up on being part of the elite group.



The Invention of Hugo Cabret: A Novel in Words and Pictures

Brian Selznick

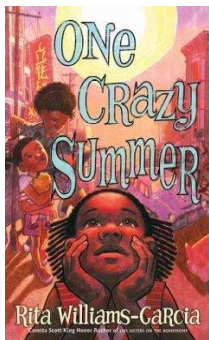
When twelve-year-old Hugo, an orphan living and repairing clocks within the walls of a Paris train station in 1931, meets a mysterious toyseller and his goddaughter, his undercover life and his biggest secret are jeopardized.



EllRay Jakes

Sally Warner

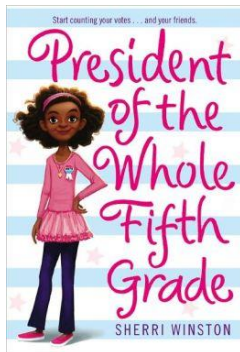
EllRay Jakes is tired of being bullied by fellow classmate Jared Matthews. But when EllRay tries to defend himself, he winds up in trouble. Then his dad offers him a deal: If he stays out of trouble for one week, they'll go to Disneyland! EllRay says he can do it. But saying it and doing it are two very different things!



One Crazy Summer

Rita Williams-Garcia

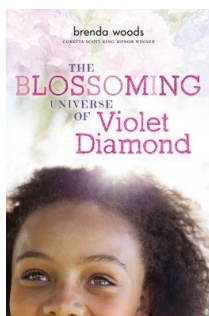
After travelling from Brooklyn to Oakland, California, to spend a month with the mother they barely know, Delphine and her two sisters discover that their mother, a dedicated poet, wants them to attend a nearby Black Panther summer camp.



President of the Whole Fifth Grade

Sherri Winston

When Brianna Justice's hero, the famous celebrity chef Miss Delicious, speaks at her school and traces her own success back to being president of her fifth grade class, Brianna determines she must do the same. She just knows that becoming president of her class is the first step toward her own cupcake-baking empire!



The Blossoming Universe of Violet Diamond

Brenda Woods

Violet is biracial, but she lives with her white mother and sister, attends a mostly white school in a white town, and sometimes feels like a brown leaf on a pile of snow. Now that she's eleven, she feels it's time to learn about her African American

heritage, so she seeks out her paternal grandmother. She is invited to spend two weeks with her new grandmother learning about her lost heritage.