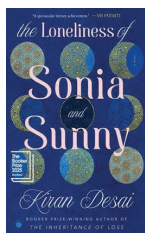


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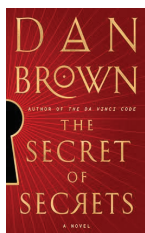
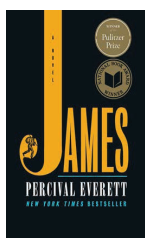
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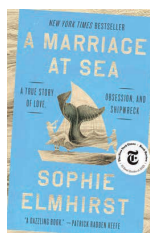
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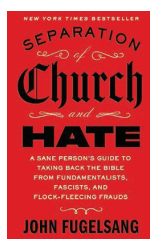
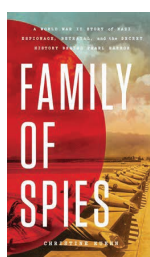
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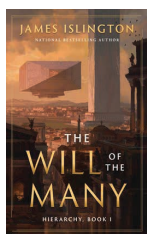
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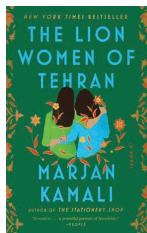


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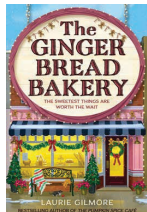


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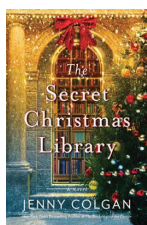
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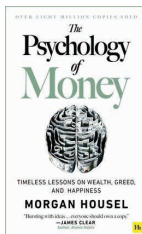
13. **The Lion Women of Tehran**
Marjan Kamali, Gallery Books, \$18.99

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Maggie O'Farrell, Vintage, \$19

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James Islington, S&S/Saga Press, \$22.99



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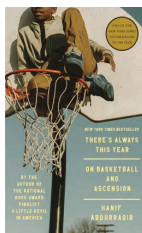


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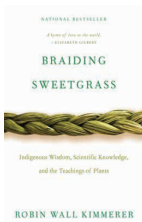


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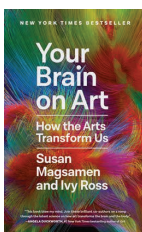
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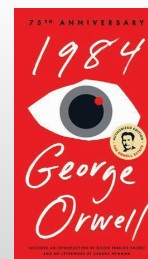
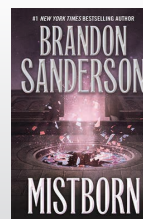
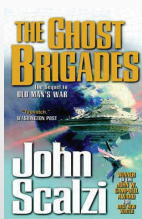
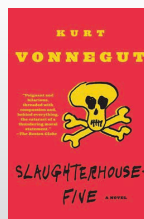
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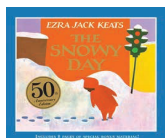
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1. The Christmas Sweater
Jan Brett, G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers, \$19.99



2. Knight Owl's Little Christmas
Christopher Denise, Christy Ottaviano Books, \$8.99



3. A Snow Day for Amos McGee
Philip C. Stead, Erin E. Stead (illus.), Roaring Brook Press, \$19.99



4. How Does Santa Go Down the Chimney?
Mac Barnett, Jon Klassen (illus.), Candlewick, \$18.99



5. The Snowy Day
Ezra Jack Keats, Viking Books for Young Readers, \$19.99



6. Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Sleigh!
Mo Willems, Union Square Kids, \$18.99



7. The Very Hungry Caterpillar
Eric Carle, World of Eric Carle, \$10.99



8. Mr. Willowby's Christmas Tree
Robert Barry, Doubleday, \$19.99



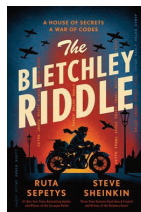
9. The Mitten
Jan Brett, G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers, \$9.99

10. Smooches!
Sandra Boynton, Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, \$7.99

YOUNG ADULT & MIDDLE GRADE



1. Impossible Creatures
Katherine Rundell, Ashley Mackenzie (illus.), Yearling, \$11.99



2. Pocket Bear
Katherine Applegate, Feiwel & Friends, \$17.99

3. The Bletchley Riddle
Ruta Sepetys, Steve Sheinkin, Viking Books for Young Readers, \$9.99



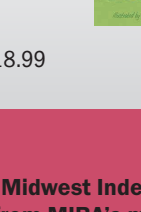
4. Dragonborn
Struan Murray, Dutton Books for Young Readers, \$19.99



5. The One and Only Bob
Katherine Applegate, Patricia Castelao (illus.), Storytide, \$10.99



6. Hatchet
Gary Paulsen, Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, \$9.99



7. The Poisoned King (Impossible Creatures #2)
Katherine Rundell, Ashley Mackenzie (illus.), Knopf Books for Young Readers, \$19.99



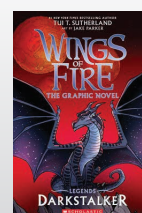
8. Fake Skating
Lynn Painter, Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, \$21.99

9. The Lost Library
Rebecca Stead, Wendy Mass, Square Fish, \$8.99

10. War Games
Alan Gratz, Scholastic Press, \$18.99

CHILDREN'S SERIES

1. Dog Man: Big Jim Believes, Dav Pilkey, Graphix, \$15.99
2. Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Partypopper, Jeff Kinney, Amulet Books, \$15.99
3. Darkstalker: A Graphic Novel, Tui T. Sutherland, Jake Parker, Graphix, \$14.99
4. Lost Evangeline, Kate DiCamillo, Sophie Blackall, Candlewick, \$17.99
5. Ivy and Bean, Annie Barrows, Chronicle, \$6.99
6. Mercy Watson to the Rescue, Kate DiCamillo, Chris Van Dusen, Candlewick, \$6.99
7. The Bad Guys, Aaron Blabey, Scholastic, \$5.99
8. The Wild Robot, Peter Brown, Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, \$9.99
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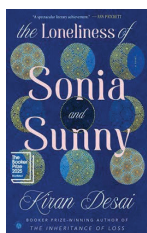
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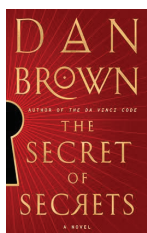
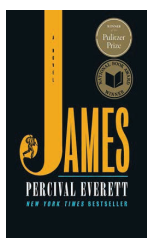
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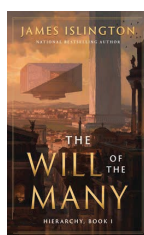
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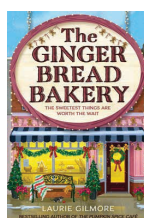
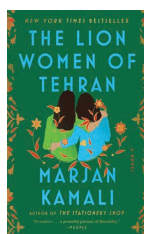
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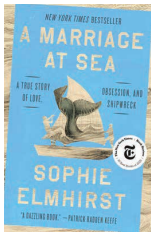


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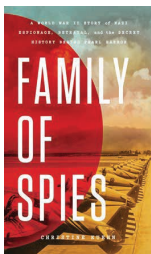


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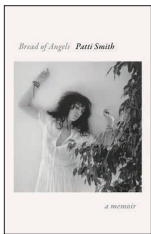


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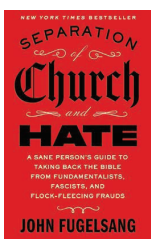
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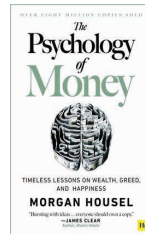
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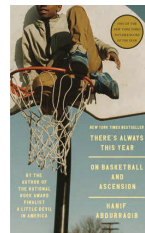


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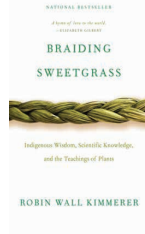


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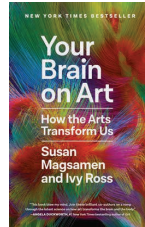
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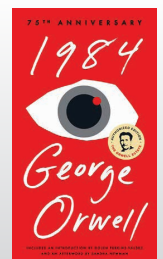
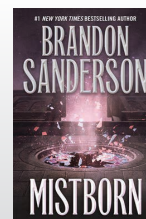
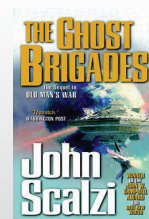
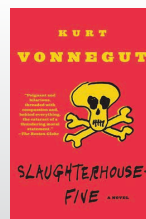


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