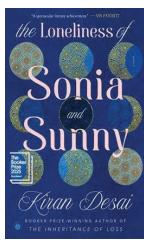
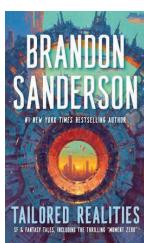
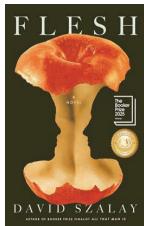


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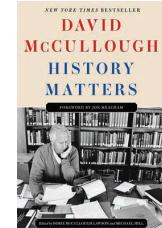
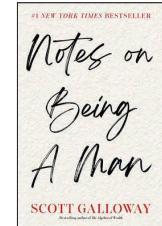
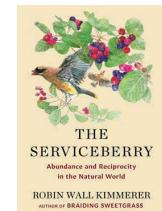
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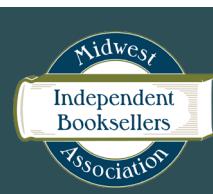


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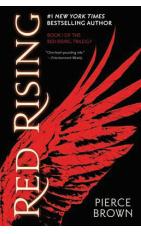
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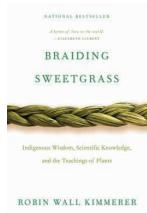
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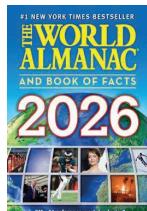
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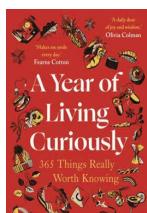
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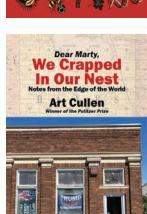
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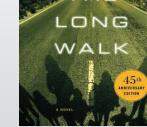


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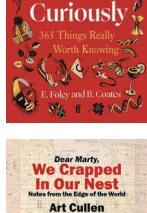
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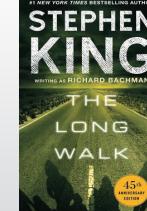
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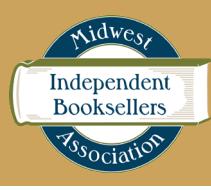


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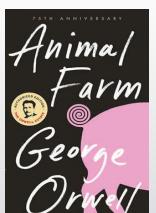


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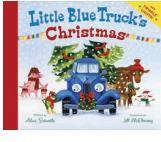
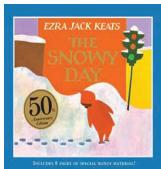
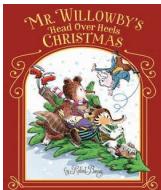
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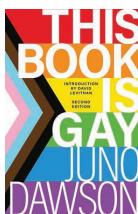
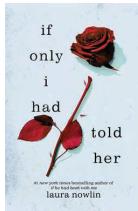
ILLUSTRATED



- 1. The Christmas Sweater**
Jan Brett, G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers, \$19.99
- 2. Goodnight Moon**
Margaret Wise Brown, Clement Hurd (Illus.), Harper, \$10.99
- 3. Holly Jolly Kitty-Corn**
Shannon Hale, LeUyen Pham (Illus.), Abrams Books for Young Readers, \$19.99
- 4. The Snowy Day**
Ezra Jack Keats, Viking Books for Young Readers, \$19.99
- 5. A Snow Day for Amos McGee**
Philip C. Stead, Erin E. Stead (Illus.), Roaring Brook Press, \$19.99
- 6. The Night Before Christmas**
Clement Moore, Charles Santore (Illus.), Applesauce Press, \$19.95
- 7. Little Blue Truck's Christmas**
Alice Schertle, Jill McElmurry (Illus.), HMH Books for Young Readers, \$18.99
- 8. Mr. Willowby's Head Over Heels Christmas**
Robert Barry, Doubleday Books for Young Readers, \$18.99
- 9. Smooches!**
Sandra Boynton, Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, \$7.99
- 10. Bluey's Night Before Christmas**
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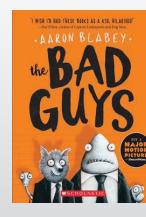
YOUNG ADULT & MIDDLE GRADE



- 1. Impossible Creatures**
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- 2. A Wrinkle in Time**
Madeleine L'Engle, Square Fish, \$8.99
- 3. The Poisoned King (Impossible Creatures #2)**
Katherine Rundell, Ashley Mackenzie (Illus.), Knopf Books for Young Readers, \$19.99
- 4. Fake Skating**
Lynn Painter, Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, \$21.99
- 5. Odder**
Katherine Applegate, Charles Santoso (Illus.), Feiwel & Friends, \$16.99
- 6. Dogtown**
Katherine Applegate, Gennifer Choldenko, Wallace West (Illus.), Square Fish, \$8.99
- 7. The Book Thief**
Markus Zusak, Knopf Books for Young Readers, \$14.99
- 8. This Book Is Gay**
Juno Dawson, Sourcebooks Fire, \$12.99
- 9. The Giver**
Lois Lowry, Clarion Books, \$11.99
- 10. If Only I Had Told Her**
Laura Nowlin, Sourcebooks Fire, \$12.99

CHILDREN'S SERIES

- Dog Man: Big Jim Believes, Dav Pilkey, Graphix, \$15.99
- Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Partypooper, Jeff Kinney, Harry N. Abrams, \$15.99
- Sunrise on the Reaping, Suzanne Collins, Scholastic Press, \$27.99
- The Bad Guys, Aaron Blabey, Scholastic, \$5.99
- Dragonborn, Struan Murray, Dutton Books for Young Readers, \$19.99
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- Lightlark, Alex A. Lluch, Harry N. Abrams, \$12.99
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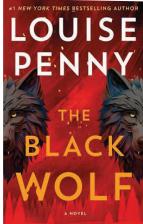
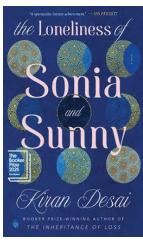
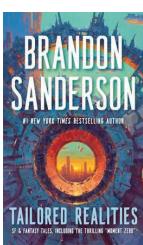
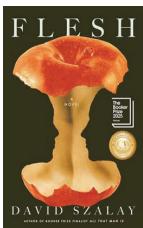
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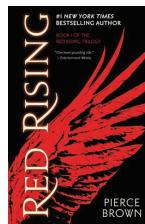
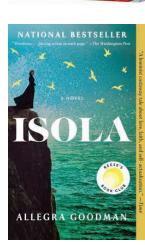
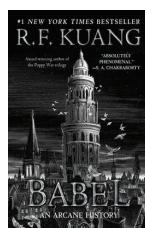
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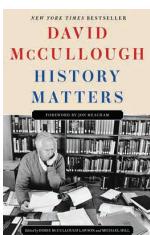
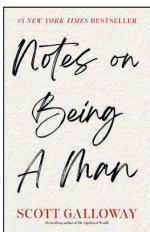
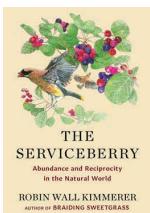
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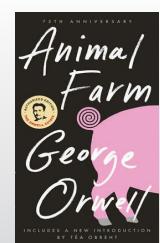
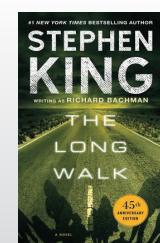
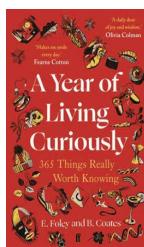
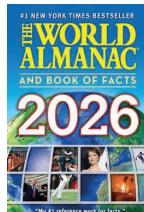
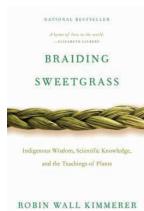
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