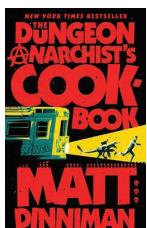
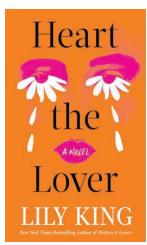
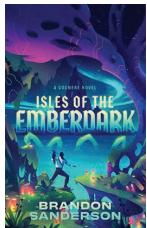


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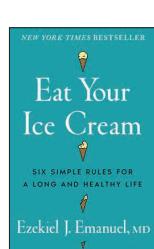
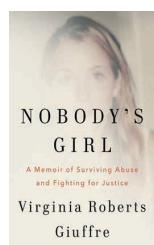
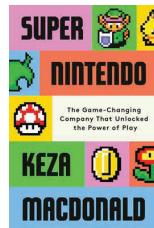
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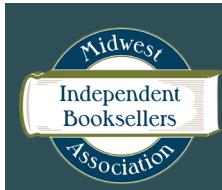


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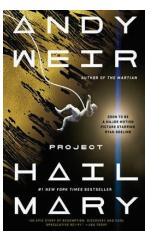
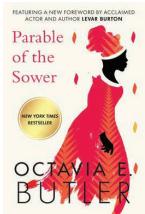
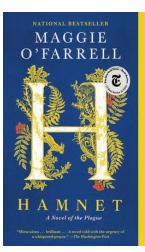
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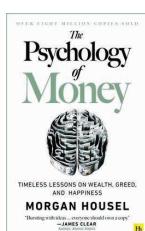
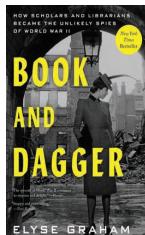
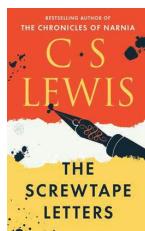


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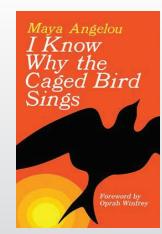
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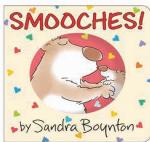


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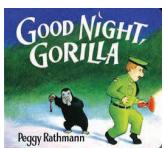
## Children's

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Sandra Boynton, Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, \$7.99



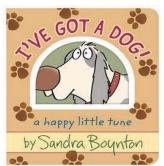
#### 2. Good Night, Gorilla

Peggy Rathmann, G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers, \$8.99



#### 3. Rumpelstiltskin

Mac Barnett, Carson Ellis (Illus.), Orchard Books, \$19.99



#### 4. Chicka Chicka I Love You

Bill Martin, Jr., John Archambault, Julien Chung (Illus.), Little Simon, \$9.99



#### 5. Goodnight Moon

Margaret Wise Brown, Clement Hurd (Illus.), Harper, \$10.99



#### 6. Buffalo Fluffalo and Puffalo (A Buffalo Fluffalo Story)

Bess Kalb, Erin Kraan (Illus.), Random House Studio, \$18.99



#### 7. The Going to Bed Book

Sandra Boynton, Boynton Bookworks, \$6.99



#### 8. Your Truck

Jon Klassen, Candlewick, \$8.99



#### 9. The Very Hungry Caterpillar

Eric Carle, World of Eric Carle, \$10.99



#### 10. I've Got a Dog!: A Happy Little Tune

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### YOUNG ADULT & MIDDLE GRADE



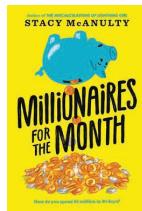
#### 1. Unsettling Salad! (Jasper Rabbit's Creepy Tales!)

Aaron Reynolds, Peter Brown (Illus.), Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, \$13.99



#### 2. Pocket Bear

Katherine Applegate, Feiwel & Friends, \$17.99



#### 3. The Lions' Run

Sara Pennypacker, Jon Klassen (Illus.), Balzer + Bray, \$18.99



#### 4. The Amazing Generation: Your Guide to Fun and Freedom in a Screen-Filled World

Jonathan Haidt, Catherine Price, Cynthia Yuan Cheng (Illus.), Rocky Pond Books, \$14.99



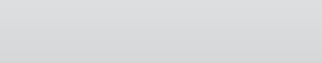
#### 5. Wake Now in the Fire: A Graphic Novel

Jarrett Dapier, AJ Dungo (Illus.), Ten Speed Graphic, \$24.99



#### 6. The Giver

Lois Lowry, Clarion Books, \$11.99



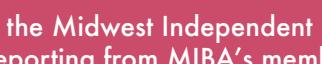
#### 7. Drama: A Graphic Novel

Raina Telgemeier, Graphix, \$12.99



#### 8. Smile: A Graphic Novel

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#### 9. Winnie-the-Pooh: 100th Anniversary Edition

A. A. Milne, Ernest H. Shepard (Illus.), Aladdin, \$10.99

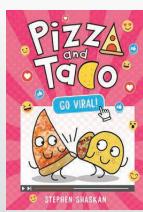
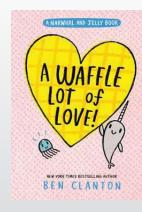


#### 10. Millionaires for the Month

Stacy McAnulty, Yearling, \$8.99

### CHILDREN'S SERIES

1. Talons of Power: A Graphic Novel, Tui T. Sutherland, Mike Holmes, Graphix, \$14.99
2. Dog Man: Big Jim Believes, Dav Pilkey, Graphix, \$15.99
3. Dog Man: Big Jim Begins, Dav Pilkey, Graphix, \$14.99
4. Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Partypooper, Jeff Kinney, Amulet Books, \$15.99
5. Darkstalker: A Graphic Novel, Tui T. Sutherland, Jake Parker, Graphix, \$14.99
6. The Lightning Thief, Rick Riordan, Disney Hyperion, \$10.99
7. Dog Man: The Scarlet Shredder, Dav Pilkey, Graphix, \$14.99
8. Scythe, Neal Shusterman, Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, \$13.99
9. Pizza and Taco: Go Viral!, Stephen Shaskan, Random House Graphic, \$10.99
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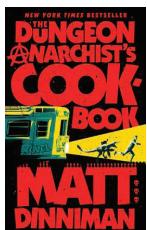
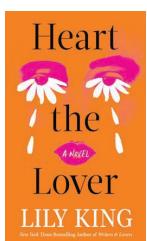
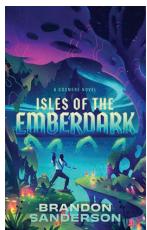
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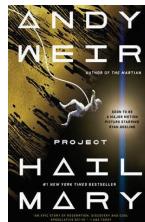
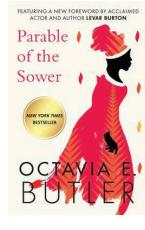
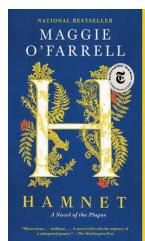
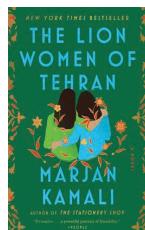
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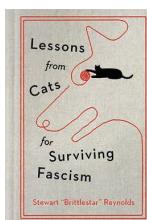
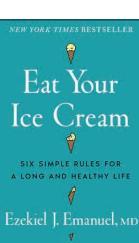
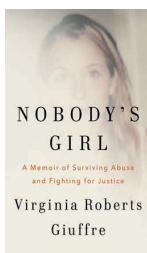
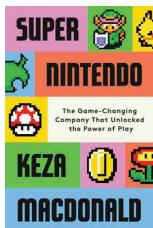
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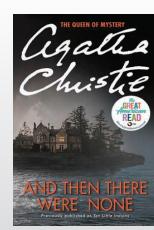
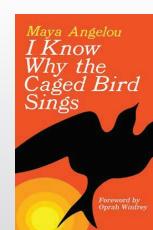
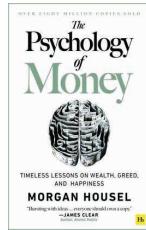
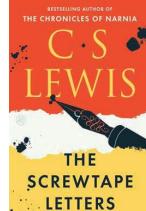
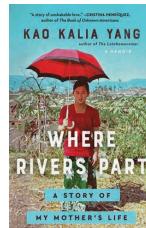
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