

HOMECOMING: TILLERMAN FAMILY, BOOK 1

By Cynthia Voigt

J FICTION VOIGHT

Abandoned by their mother, four children begin a search for a home and an identity.



AWKWARD

By Svetlana Chmakova

J GRAPHIC CHMAKOVA

After shunning Jaime, a nerd, on her first day at school, Penelope tries to blend in with friends in the art club, until the art club goes to war with the science club, of which Jaime is a member.



LUMBERJANES: FRIENDSHIP TO THE MAX

By Noelle Stevenson

J GRAPHIC STEVENSON

Miss Qiunzella Thiskwin Penniquiquil Thistle Crumpet's Camp for Hardcore Lady Types is not your average summer camp. Between the river monsters, magic, and myths, this summer is only just beginning of five girls' best friendship.



SISTERS

By Raina Telgemeier

J GRAPHIC TELGEMEIER

Sisters Raina and Amara have a strained relationship which doesn't improve much over the years, but when something doesn't seem right between their parents, they realize they must figure out how to get along.



SEA CHANGE

By Frank Viva

J GRAPHIC VIVA

Follows a boy who must reluctantly spend the summer in Nova Scotia. As the summer wears on, the hero forges solid friendships with other kids in the small fishing community.



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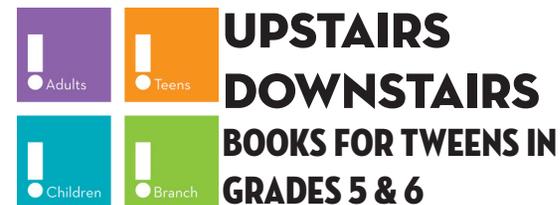
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NOTE ABOUT THIS LIST: This list is geared towards students who are able to read the titles in the Teen Room, but aren't quite willing to leave the great books in the Children's Room. Many of these titles are available in both locations and offer more complex characters, plots and vocabulary and mostly deal with issues faced by middle-schoolers.

BETTER NATE THAN NEVER

By Tim Federle

J FICTION FEDERLE

An eighth-grader who dreams of performing in a Broadway musical concocts a plan to run away to New York and audition for the role of Elliot in the musical version of "E.T."



INCARCERON

By Catherine Fisher

J FICTION FISHER

To free herself from an upcoming arranged marriage, Claudia, the daughter of the Warden of Incarceron, a futuristic prison with a mind of its own, decides to help a young prisoner escape.



RUINS OF GORLAN:

RANGER'S APPRENTICE, BOOK 1

By John Flanagan

J FICTION FLANAGAN

When fifteen-year-old Will is rejected by battleschool, he becomes the reluctant apprentice to the mysterious Ranger Halt, and winds up protecting the kingdom from danger.



SATURDAY BOY

By David Fleming

J FICTION FLEMING

Every day seems to bring more trouble to 11-year-old Derek, whose former best friend bullies him, while at home he deals with the long absence of his pilot father, and his mother's moodiness.



UPSTAIRS DOWNSTAIRS BOOKS FOR TWEENS IN GRADES 5 & 6

DEAD END IN NORVELT

By Jack Gantos

J FICTION GANTOS

Twelve-year-old Jack spends the summer of 1962 grounded until he is assigned to help an elderly neighbor with a most unusual chore involving the newly dead, molten wax, twisted promises, Girl Scout cookies, underage driving, lessons from history, typewriting, and countless bloody noses.



GLASS SENTENCE

By S.E. Grove

J FICTION GROVE

In 1891, in a world transformed by 1799's Great Disruption--when all of the continents were flung into different time periods--thirteen-year-old Sophia Tims and her friend Theo go in search of Sophia's uncle, Shadrack Elli, Boston's foremost cartologer, who has been kidnapped.



WHOLE STORY OF HALF A GIRL

By Veera Hiranandani

J FICTION HIRANANDANI

When Sonia's father loses his job and she must move from her small, private school to a public school, Sonia experiences culture shock as she tries to navigate the school's unfamiliar social scene. After her father is diagnosed with clinical depression, she finds herself becoming even more confused about herself and her family.



STORMBREAKER: ALEX RIDER, BOOK 1

By Anthony Horowitz

J FICTION HOROWITZ

After the death of the uncle who had been his guardian, fourteen-year-old Alex Rider is coerced to continue his uncle's dangerous work for Britain's intelligence agency, MI6.



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LISTEN SLOWLY

By Thanhha Lai

J FICTION LAI

Assisting her grandmother's investigation of her grandfather's fate during the Vietnam War, Mai struggles to adapt to an unfamiliar culture while redefining her sense of family.



LIFE AS WE KNEW IT

By Susan Beth Pfeffer

J FICTION PFEFFER

Through journal entries sixteen-year-old Miranda describes her family's struggle to survive after a meteor hits the moon, causing worldwide tsunamis, earthquakes, and volcanic eruptions.



ECHO

By Pam Munoz Ryan

J FICTION RYAN

Lost in the Black Forest, Otto meets three mysterious sisters and finds himself entwined in a prophecy, a promise, and a harmonica. Decades later three children, Friedrich in Germany, Mike in Pennsylvania, and Ivy in California find themselves caught up in the same thread of destiny in the darkest days of the twentieth century, struggling to keep their families intact, and tied together by the music of the same harmonica.



EIGHTH DAY

By Dianne Salerni

J FICTION SALERNI

Orphan Jax Aubrey doesn't expect much on his thirteenth birthday, but when he discovers there's an extra day squeezed between Wednesday and Thursday whose origins are rooted in Arthurian legend, it's clear his life will never be the same.



UPSTAIRS DOWNSTAIRS BOOKS FOR TWEENS IN GRADES 5 & 6

WHO COULD THAT BE AT THIS HOUR?:

ALL THE WRONG QUESTIONS, BOOK 1

By Lemony Snicket

J FICTION SNICKET

Thirteen-year-old Lemony Snicket begins his apprenticeship with S. Theodora Markson of the secretive V.F.D. in the tiny dot of a town called Stain'd By The Sea, where he helps investigate the theft of a statue.



RED BUTTERFLY

By A.L. Sonnichsen

J FICTION SONNICHSEN

In China, a foundling girl with a deformed hand raised in secret by an American woman must navigate China's strict adoption system when she is torn away from the only family she has ever known.



STARGIRL

By Jerry Spinelli

J FICTION SPINELLI

In this story about the perils of popularity, the courage of nonconformity, and the thrill of first love, an eccentric student named Stargirl changes Mica High School forever.



MY LIFE AS A STUNTBOY

By Janet Tashjian

J FICTION TASHJIAN

Twelve-year-old Derek Fallon has the opportunity of a lifetime--to perform stunts in a movie featuring a popular twelve-year-old star--but complications arise involving his best friend, a capuchin monkey, and Derek's chronic inability to concentrate on schoolwork.



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