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**MAC B., KID SPY (series)**
By Mac Barnett  
*J CHAPTER MAC B., KID SPY*
In this new adventure series from Mac Barnett, Mac (the smartest boy in his class), is recruited by the Queen of England to find her missing crown jewels. (2018-19)

**THE TRULY BRAVE PRINCESSES**
By Dolores Brown  
*J FICTION PICTURE BROWN*
This book presents a gallery of “princesses” who are not traditional, including a firefighter and a supermarket cashier, reminding girls that they are ALL princesses in some way. (2018)

**NARWHAL AND JELLY (series)**
By Ben Clanton  
*J GRAPHIC CLANTON*
A happy-go-lucky narwhal and a cynical, no-nonsense jellyfish forge an unlikely friendship and explore the ocean together. (2016-19)

**EYE SPY: WILD WAYS ANIMALS SEE THE WORLD**
By Guillaume Duprat  
*J 599.43 D*
With delightful illustrations, this book allows us a rare glimpse of the world through animals’ eyes. Learn interesting facts about snakes, owls, cows and more! (2018)

**MEET YASMIN!**
By Saadia Faruqi  
*J CHAPTER FARUQI*
Pakistani-American second-grader Yasmin learns to cope with the small problems of school and home, while gaining confidence in her own skills and creative abilities. (2018)

**UNICORN RESCUE SOCIETY (series)**
By Adam Gidwitz  
*J FICTION GIDWITZ*
Advanced 2nd- and 3rd-grade readers will enjoy this fantasy series about a boy named Elliott and his friend Uchenna who help keep mythical creatures safe from harm. (2018)

**MEGA BAT AND FANCY CAT**
By Anna Humphrey  
*J FICTION HUMPHREY*

**ORDINARY PEOPLE CHANGE THE WORLD (series)**
By Brad Meltzer  
*J CHAPTER ORDINARY PEOPLE*
A new, just-right biography series for the younger grades, featuring such subjects as Sonia Sotomayor, Neil Armstrong, Jane Goodall and Jackie Robinson. (2018)
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**BIG IDEA GANG (series)**
By James Preller  
*J CHAPTER BIG IDEA GANG*
This “gang” of four third-graders form to make things better at their Connecticut elementary school. Their projects include a new school mascot and a “buddy bench.” (2019)

**BUMBLE B: MISSION FUN**
By Marsha Qualey  
*J CHAPTER QUALEY*
Beatrice “Bumble B” Flinn is funny, smart, creative--and clumsy! But her clumsiness doesn’t dampen her confidence, and each day is a new adventure--and challenge. (2018)

**THE CARDBOARD KINGDOM**
By Chad Sell  
*J GRAPHIC SELL*
Follows the adventures of a group of neighborhood children who create costumes from cardboard and use their imaginations in adventures with knights, robots and monsters. (2018)

**THE SUN IS KIND OF A BIG DEAL**
By Nick Seluk  
*J 523.7 S*
This funny and factual picture book explains every part of the sun’s big job: keeping our solar system together, giving us day and night, and keeping us warm, among others. (2018)

**LOOK AT THE WEATHER**
By Britta Teckentrup  
*J FICTION PICTURE TECKENTRUP*
This sophisticated picture book makes an explicit connection between climate change and human activity, while exploring various weather phenomena with beautiful illustrations. (2018)

**JOAN PROCTOR, DRAGON DOCTOR**
By Patricia Valdez  
*JB PROCTER*
Looks at the life of Joan Procter, a pioneering scientist who loved reptiles. (2018)

**ANIMAL PLANET (series)**
By Various Authors  
*J CHAPTER ANIMAL PLANET*
Factual, fun series about animals includes horses, snakes, dinosaurs, dolphins, sharks and bugs. (2016-18)