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**THE TERRIBLE TWO**
By Mac Barnett
*J FICTION BARNETT*
In Book 3 of the series, school is out and Miles and Niles are enjoying their summer vacation by running wild in the woods outside town. That is until they are discovered by cadets from a nearby bootcamp. Can they out-prank the bullies? (2018)

**ALL FOUR STARS**
By Tara Dairman
*J FICTION DAIMAN*
Eleven-year-old Gladys Gatsby loves food and cooking, so when she lands an assignment to write a restaurant review for a NY City newspaper, she will do anything to make it happen, even risk the wrath of her fast-food loving parents. (2014)

**BUBBLE**
By Stewart Foster
*J FICTION FOSTER*
Orphaned eleven-year-old Joe lives in a hospital due to his immunodeficiency disorder, interacting only with his sister, an American boy with the same illness, and medical staff while dreaming of being a superhero. (2017)

**THE DOLDRUMS AND THE HELMSLEY CURSE**
By Nicholas Gannon
*J FICTION GANNON*
The memorable characters readers met and fell in love with in The Doldrums are back to their unrestricted high jinks. Archer Helmsley’s grandparents have finally returned home, but there are rumors they’ve brought a curse with them. (2017)

**JUBILEE**
By Patricia Reilly Giff
*J FICTION GIFF*
Judith stopped talking long ago when Mom left her in the care of beloved Aunt Cora. Going back into a regular fifth-grade classroom won’t be easy, but she has her Dog and new friend who will help her through. (2016)

**THE GREAT TREEHOUSE WAR**
By Lisa Graff
*J FICTION GRAFF*
Fifth-grader Winnie turns her treehouse into an embassy for her friends after her newly-divorced parents become unreasonable. (2017)

**LIGHTS, CAMERA, COOK!**
By Charise Harper
*J FICTION HARPER*
Follows Tate, Rae, Caroline, and Oliver, ages 9 - 11, both on and off-camera as they compete in a televised cooking competition. Includes cooking tips. (2017)
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HELLO, UNIVERSE
By Erin Entrada Kelly
J FICTION KELLY
Lives of four misfits are intertwined when a bully’s prank lands shy Virgil at the bottom of a well and Valencia, Kaori, and Gen rescue him. (2017)

SUPERGIFTED
By Gordon Korman
J FICTION KORMAN
After years of attending a school for gifted children, Noah finds himself at a normal school where he immediately ends up on the wrong side of a cheerleading captain and a jock. (2018)

THE CREEPER DIARIES: MOB SCHOOL SURVIVOR
By Greyson Mann
J FICTION MANN
Gerald Creeper Jr. is a self-proclaimed pacifist, but he finds himself in the war zone when he starts Mob Middle School. Gerald makes it his mission to use his brains to survive the school year. (2017)

THE MISCALCULATIONS OF LIGHTNING GIRL
By Kate McAnulty
J FICTION MCANULTY
A homeschooled math genius promises her grandmother she will do 4 things: try middle school for 1 year, join an activity, read a book that is not a math text book and make a (IRL) friend. (2018)

DO NOT OPEN! MARTY PANTS BOOK 1
By Mark Parisi
J FICTION PARISI
When Marty finds a cryptic message that claims he is being observed by aliens, he attempts to head off this threat to Earth, find his missing cat, and get his homework turned in on time. (2017)

MIDDLE SCHOOL: BORN TO ROCK
By James Patterson
J FICTION PATTERSON
In Book 11 of the series, Rafe Khatchadorian’s younger sister Georgia is back to win a battle of the bands competition. Georgia is ready to lead her all-girls band -- “We Stink!” -- to victory. (2019)

FRONT DESK
By Kelly Yang
J FICTION YANG
The immigrant experience from the point of view of 10-year-old Mia Tang, whose parents manage a run-down hotel in southern California and deal with being newcomers to America. (2018)