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**The Iron Trial (series)**
By Holly Black and Cassandra Clare  
*J Fiction Black*

Warned away from magic all his life, Call tries to fail the entrance trials for the Magisterium, only to be drawn in against his will and forced to confront darkness from his past. (2014)

**Jinx (series)**
By Sage Blackwood  
*J Fiction Blackwood*

A boy named Jinx encounters magic and danger as he grows up in the deep, dark forest known as the Urwald and discovers that the world is more complex than he could imagine. (2013)

**A Tear in the Ocean**
By H.M. Bouwman  
*J Fiction Bouwman*

Told in two voices and times, Artie runs away from her abusive stepfather and Rayel from an arranged marriage, and both find adventure on the high seas beyond Raftworld. (2019)

**The Jamie Drake Equation**
By Christopher Edge  
*J Fiction Edge*

Jamie has a close encounter with an alien who tells him his father, an astronaut on a mission at the International Space Station, is in trouble and needs Jamie’s help. (2018)

**Inkheart (series)**
By Cornelia Funke  
*J Fiction Funke*

12-year-old Meggie learns that her father, who repairs and binds books for a living, can “read” fictional characters to life. (2003)  
Followed by *Inkspell* and *Inkdeath*.

**The Missing (series)**
By Margaret Peterson Haddix  
*J Fiction Haddix*

One night a plane appears out of nowhere carrying 36 babies. Now, 13 years later, two of those children are receiving sinister messages, and they begin to investigate their past. (2008-15)

**The Fourteenth Goldfish**
By Jennifer L. Holm  
*J Fiction Holm*

Ellie’s scientist grandfather has discovered a way to reverse aging and, consequently, has turned into a teenager and moves in with Ellie and her mother. (2014)

**Dragon Pearl**
By Yoon Ha Lee  
*J Fiction Lee*

Min, a 13-year-old girl with fox-magic, stows away on a battle cruiser and impersonates a Space Force cadet to solve the mystery of her older brother’s disappearance. (2019)
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**A Dash of Trouble**
By Anna Meriano
*J FICTION MERIANO*
Wanting to be a part of her family’s Dia de los Muertos preparations, Leonora sneaks out of school to discover her mother, aunt, and older sisters have been keeping a secret. (2018)

**Keeper of the Lost Cities (series)**
By Shannon Messenger
*J FICTION MESSENER*
At age 12, Sophie learns of her true identity as an elf. After arriving in Eternalia, she discovers that she has secrets buried in her memory for which some would kill. First in series. (2015-18)

**Have Sword, Will Travel**
By Garth Nix
*J FICTION NIX*
Odo just wants to get away from work at the mill, while Eleanor yearns for adventure, but it is Odo who finds the magic talking sword. Together they set out on a quest. (2017)

**The Golden Compass (series)**
By Philip Pullman
*J FICTION PULLMAN*

**Phoenix**
By S.F. Said
*J FICTION SAID*
One morning, Lucky wakes to find an uncontrollable power rising inside him. Lucky’s destiny and the fate of the universe are connected in the most explosive way. (2013)

**Wings of Fire (series)**
By Tui Sutherland
*J FICTION SUTHERLAND*
War between dragon tribes is raging in the world, and five dragonets have been chosen to end it, according to a prophecy. But some dragonets will choose freedom over fate. (2012-17)

**Voyagers (series)**
By Various Authors
*J FICTION VOYAGERS*
Follow the adventures of four 12-year-olds chosen to venture into space on a mission to find an alternative power source for Earth, which is going dark fast. (2015-16)