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**I Put a Spell on You**  
Selzer, Adam  
Call Letters: F Se  
Pgs: 247  
Lexile: 0

A group of unique sixth-graders in a tiny town called Preston prepare for a televised spelling bee; among the contestants are Jennifer, a free spirit with overbearing parents, Mutual, a home-schooled student in public school for the first time, Harlan, a class clown, and Chrissie, who thinks there is something strange going on.

**Philippa Fisher's Fairy Godsister**  
Kessler, Liz  
Call Letters: F Ke  
Pgs: 274  
Lexile: 0

Philippa Fisher, who wants to be able to summon a fairy, is surprised when Daisy, the new girl at school, says she is her fairy godmother—or godsister—who is grudgingly committed to grant three wishes, and Philippa struggles to wish for something that will improve her life instead of making it more difficult.

**Ellie McDoodle: Have Pen, Will Travel**  
Barshaw, Ruth  
Call Letters: F Ba  
Pgs: 170  
Lexile: 0

Eleven-year-old Ellie McDoodle illustrates her sketchbook with chronicles of her adventures and mishaps while camping with her cousins, aunt, and uncle.

**Julia Gillian**  
McGhee, Alison  
Call Letters: F M  
Pgs: 280  
Lexile: 0

Nine-year-old Julia Gillian learns a lot about facing fear as she and her St. Bernard, Bigfoot, take long walks through their Minneapolis neighborhood one hot summer, and she seeks the courage to finish a book that could have an unhappy ending.

**Good Dog**  
Avi  
Call Letters: F Av  
Pgs: 243  
Lexile: 480

McKinley, a malamute, is torn between the domestic world of his human family and the wild world of Lupin, a wolf that is trying to recruit dogs to replenish the dwindling wolf pack.

**Three Days**  
Napoli, Donna Jo  
Call Letters: F Na  
Pgs: 151  
Lexile: 490

Eleven-year-old Jackie, traveling with her father in Italy, finds herself in a dangerous situation when she is picked up by two men after her father dies suddenly of a heart attack, leaving her alone on an Italian highway.

**Princess Tales: Fairy’s Mistake (series)**  
Levine, Gail Carson  
Call Letters: F Le  
Pgs: 87  
Lexile: 510

In this humorous retelling of a Perrault tale, the fairy Ethelinda rewards one twin sister for good behavior and punishes the other for bad, only to discover that her punishment is more pleasing than her reward.
**Dork in Disguise**
Gorman, Carol
Call Letters: F Go  Pgs: 164  Lexile: 510
Starting middle school in a new town, brainy Jerry Flack changes his image from "dork" to "cool kid," only to discover that he'd rather be himself.

**Say Yes**
Couloumbis, Audrey
Call Letters: F Co  Pgs: 200  Lexile: 510
In her efforts to hang on following the disappearance of her stepmother, Casey resorts to anything including robbery.

**Doll People**
Martin, Ann M.
Call Letters: F Ma  Pgs: 256  Lexile: 570
A family of porcelain dolls that has lived in the same house for one hundred years is taken aback when a new family of plastic dolls arrives and doesn't follow The Doll Code of Honor.

**Love, Ruby Lavender**
Wiles, Deborah
Call Letters: F Wi  Pgs: 188  Lexile: 570
When her quirky grandmother goes to Hawaii for the summer, nine-year-old Ruby learns to survive on her own in Mississippi by writing letters, befriending chickens as well as the new girl in town, and finally coping with her grandfather's death.

**Samantha Hansen Has Rocks in Her Head**
Viau, Nancy
Call Letters: F Vi  Pgs: 178  Lexile: 590
While anticipating a vacation to the Grand Canyon, ten-year-old Samantha Hanson wonders why her mother refuses to talk about her father, who died when Samantha was young, and finds it difficult to control her temper towards her older sister.

**Eleven**
Giff, Patricia Reilly
Call Letters: F Gi  Pgs: 164  Lexile: 600
When Sam, who can barely read, discovers an old newspaper clipping just before his eleventh birthday, it brings forth memories from his past, and, with the help of a new friend at school and the castle they are building for a school project, his questions are eventually answered.

**Weaver's Daughter**
Bradley, Kimberly
Call Letters: F Br  Pgs: 166  Lexile: 600
In 1791 after her family's journey from Pennsylvania, ten-year-old Lizzie suffers from the disease of asthma in her new home in the Southwest Territory (present-day Tennessee).
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**Tail of Emily Windsnap**  
Kessler, Liz  
Call Letters: F Ke  Pgs: 208  Lexile: 600  
After finally convincing her mother that she should take swimming lessons, 12-year-old Emily discovers a terrible and wonderful secret about herself that opens up a whole new world.

**Nightmare at the Book Fair**  
Gutman, Dan  
Call Letters: F Gu  Pgs: 230  Lexile: 610  
On his way to lacrosse tryouts, the president of the PTA asks Trip Dinkelman to help her with the book fair, resulting in Trip sustaining a head injury which causes him temporary amnesia and makes for an interesting journey home.

**Shakespeare’s Secret**  
Broach, Elise  
Call Letters: F Br  Pgs: 243  Lexile: 620  
Misfit sixth-grader, Hero, becomes interested in exploring a valuable diamond supposedly hidden in her new house, an intriguing neighbor, and the unexpected attention of the most popular boy in school.

**Old Willis Place**  
Hahn, Mary Downing  
Call Letters: F Ha  Pgs: 199  Lexile: 630  
Tired of the rules that have bound them ever since "the bad thing happened," twelve-year-old Diana ignores her brother's warnings and befriends the daughter of the new caretaker, setting in motion events that lead to the release of the spirit of an evil, crazy woman who once ruled the old Willis place.

**Gregor the Overlander**  
Collins, Suzanne  
Call Letters: F Co  Pgs: 311  Lexile: 630  
eleven-year-old Gregor and his two-year-old sister are pulled into a strange underground world, they trigger an epic battle involving humans, bats, rats, cockroaches, and spiders while on a quest foretold by ancient prophecy.

**House of Tailors**  
Giff, Patricia Reilly  
Call Letters: F Gi  Pgs: 148  Lexile: 640  
When 13-year-old Dina emigrates from Germany to America in 1871, her only wish is to return home as soon as she can, but as the months pass and she survives a multitude of hardships living with her uncle and his young wife and baby, she finds herself thinking of Brooklyn as her home.

**Magic Half**  
Barrows, Annie  
Call Letters: F Ba  Pgs: 211  Lexile: 640  
Eleven-year-old Miri Gill feels left out in her family, which has two sets of twins and her, until she travels back in time to 1935 and discovers Molly, her own lost twin, and brings her back to the present day.
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*Crossing Jordan*
Fogelin, Adrian  
Call Letters: F Ad  
Pgs: 140  
Lexile: 650

Twelve-year-old Cass meets her new African-American neighbor, Jemmie, and despite their families' prejudices, they build a strong friendship around their mutual talent for running and a pact to read Jane Eyre.

*Life and Crimes of Bernetta Wallflower*
Graff, Lisa  
Call Letters: F Ga  
Pgs: 250  
Lexile: 650

After her supposed best friend implicates her in a cheating and blackmail scam, 12-year-old Bernie loses her private school scholarship but, with the help of a new friend, spends the summer using her knowledge of magic and sleight-of-hand both to earn the $9,000 in tuition money and to get revenge.

*Loser*
Spinelli, Jerry  
Call Letters: F Sp  
Pgs: 218  
Lexile: 650

Even though his classmates from first grade on have considered him strange and a loser, Daniel Zinkoff's optimism and exuberance and the support of his loving family do not allow him to feel that way about himself.

*World According to Humphrey*
Birney, Betty  
Call Letters: F Bi  
Pgs: 124  
Lexile: 670

Humphrey, pet hamster at Longfellow School, learns that he has an important role to play in helping his classmates and teacher.

*Number the Stars*
Lowry, Lois  
Call Letters: F Lo  
Pgs: 137  
Lexile: 670

In 1943, during the German occupation of Denmark, ten-year-old Annemarie learns how to be brave and courageous when she helps shelter her Jewish friend from the Nazis.

*Poppy (series)*
Avi  
Call Letters: F Av  
Pgs: 146  
Lexile: 670

Poppy, a deer mouse, urges her family to move next to a field of corn big enough to feed them all forever, but Mr. Ocax, a terrifying owl, has other ideas.

*Wishes, Kisses & Pigs*
Hearne, Betsy  
Call Letters: F He  
Pgs: 133  
Lexile: 690

After eleven-year-old Louise makes a wish on the first evening star and her brother turns into a pig, she uses wishes, kisses, and spells to try to put things right again.
**Runt**
Bauer, Marion Dane
Call Letters: F Ba  Pgs: 138  Lexile: 690
Runt, the smallest wolf cub in the litter, seeks to prove himself to his father King and the rest of the pack and to earn a new name.

**Jennifer Murdley's Toad**
Coville, Bruce
Call Letters: F Co  Pgs: 159  Lexile: 700
When an ordinary-looking fifth grader purchases a talking toad, she embarks on a series of extraordinary adventures.

**Report Card**
Clements, Andrew
Call Letters: F Cl  Pgs: 173  Lexile: 700
Fifth-grader Nora Rowley has always hidden the fact that she is a genius from everyone because all she wants is to be normal, but when she comes up with a plan to prove that grades are not important, things begin to get out of control.

**Wolf Stalker (National Geographic Mysteries)**
Skurzynski, Gloria
Call Letters: F Sk  Pgs: 147  Lexile: 700
Twelve-year-old Jack, his younger sister, and the family's teenage foster child Troy go to Yellowstone National Park, where Jack's mother, a wildlife veterinarian, is investigating the report that wolves reintroduced to the park have killed a dog there.

**Ghost Sitter**
Griffen, Peni
Call Letters: F Gr  Pgs: 131  Lexile: 700
When she realizes that her new house is haunted by the ghost of a ten-year-old girl who used to live there, Charlotte tries to help her find peace.

**Bunnicula**
Howe, James
Call Letters: F Ho  Pgs: 92  Lexile: 700
Though scoffed at by Harold the dog, Chester the cat tries to warn his human family that their foundling baby bunny must be a vampire.

**How to Steal a Dog**
O'Connor, Barbara
Call Letters: F Co  Pgs: 170  Lexile: 700
Living in the family car after their father leaves them virtually penniless, Georgina, desperate to improve their situation, persuades her younger brother to help her in a scheme to get money by stealing a dog and then claiming the reward that the owners are bound to offer.
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**From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler**
Konigsburg, E.L.
Call Letters: F Ko  Pgs: 162  Lexile: 700
Two suburban children run away from their Connecticut home and go to New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art, where their ingenuity enables them to live in luxury.

**Runaway Princess**
Coombs, Kate
Call Letters: F Co  Pgs: 279  Lexile: 700
15-year-old Princess Meg uses magic and her wits to rescue a baby dragon and escape the unwanted attentions of princes hoping to gain her hand in marriage through a contest arranged by her father, the king.

**Ghost of Fossil Glen**
DeFelice, Cynthia
Call Letters: F De  Pgs: 167  Lexile: 710
Allie knows it's not her imagination when she hears a voice and sees in her mind's eye the face of a girl who seems to be seeking Allie's help.

**All Alone in the Universe**
Perkins, Lynne Rae
Call Letters: F Pe  Pgs: 140  Lexile: 720
Debbie is dismayed when her best friend Maureen starts spending time with ordinary, boring Glenna.

**Riding Freedom**
Ryan, Pam Munoz
Call Letters: F Ry  Pgs: 138  Lexile: 720
A fictionalized account of Charley (Charlotte) Parkhurst who ran away from an orphanage, posed as a boy, moved to California, and fooled everyone by her appearance.

**Lily's Crossing**
Giff, Patricia Reilly
Call Letters: F Gi  Pgs: 180  Lexile: 720
During a summer spent at Rockaway Beach in 1944, Lily's friendship with a young Hungarian refugee causes her to see the war and her own world differently.

**Double-Digit Club**
Bauer, Marion Dane
Call Letters: F Ba  Pgs: 116  Lexile: 720
Nine-year-old Sarah is excited about summer vacation, but she faces unexpected crises when her best friend Paige becomes old enough to join a local girls' clique, and when she makes choices which affect her relationship with an elderly blind neighbor.
**Crooked Kind of Perfect**  
Urban, Linda  
Call Letters: F Ur  
Pgs: 213  
Lexile: 730  
Ten-year-old Zoe Elias, who longs to play the piano but must resign herself to learning the organ, instead, finds that her musicianship has a positive impact on her workaholic mother, her jittery father, and her school social life.

**Running Out of Time**  
Haddix, Margaret Peterson  
Call Letters: F Ha  
Pgs: 184  
Lexile: 730  
When a diphtheria epidemic hits her 1840 village, 13-year-old Jessie discovers it is actually a 1995 tourist site under unseen observation by heartless scientists, and it's up to Jessie to escape the village and save the lives of the dying children.

**Eleven**  
Myracle, Lauren  
Call Letters: F Bo  
Pgs: 201  
Lexile: 730  
The year between turning eleven and turning twelve brings many changes for Winnie and her friends.

**Witches**  
Dahl, Roald  
Call Letters: F Da  
Pgs: 201  
Lexile: 740  
A young boy and his Norwegian grandmother, who is an expert on witches, together foil a witches' plot to destroy the world's children by turning them into mice.

**Fame and Glory in Freedom, Georgia**  
O'Connor, Barbara  
Call Letters: F Oc  
Pgs: 104  
Lexile: 740  
Unpopular sixth-grader Burdette "Bird" Weaver persuades the new boy at school, whom everyone thinks is mean and dumb, to be her partner for a spelling bee that might win her everything she's ever wanted.

**Coraline**  
Gaiman, Neil  
Call Letters: F Ga  
Pgs: 162  
Lexile: 740  
Looking for excitement, Coraline ventures through a mysterious door into a world that is similar, yet disturbingly different from her own, where she must challenge a gruesome entity in order to save herself, her parents, and the souls of three others.

**Escaping the Giant Wave**  
Kehret, Peg  
Call Letters: F Ke  
Pgs: 151  
Lexile: 750  
When an earthquake creates a tsunami while 13-year-old Kyle is babysitting his sister during a family vacation at a Pacific Coast resort, he tries to save himself, his sister, and a boy who has bullied him for years.
**Marley: A Dog Like No Other**  
Grogan, John  
Call Letters: F Gr  
Pgs: 196  
Lexile: 760  
Those who know and love Marley understand that nothing can stop his loyalty, exuberance, and passion—not even the Grogans’ screen door! How this big, rambunctious dog becomes the heart of the Grogan family is the story of Marley.

**Molly Moon’s Incredible Book of Hypnotism (series)**  
Byng, Georgia  
Call Letters: F By  
Pgs: 371  
Lexile: 770  
Unlucky and unloved, Molly Moon, living in a dreary orphanage in a small English town, discovers a hidden talent for hypnotism and hypnotizes her way to stardom in New York City.

**Wedding Planner’s Daughter**  
Paratore, Coleen  
Call Letters: F Pa  
Pgs: 200  
Lexile: 780  
Willa, a romantic girl who wants a father, tries to find a husband for her mother, Cape Cod’s most popular wedding planner.

**Lost and Found**  
Clements, Andrew  
Call Letters: F Ci  
Pgs: 161  
Lexile: 780  
Twin brothers Jay and Ray Grayson learn about friendship, honesty, and themselves after taking advantage of a clerical oversight in which their new school thinks there is only one Grayson boy.

**Emmy and the Incredible Shrinking Rat**  
Jonell, Lynne  
Call Letters: F Jo  
Pgs: 352  
Lexile: 780  
When Emmy discovers that she and her formerly loving parents are being drugged by their evil nanny with rodent potions that can change people in frightening ways, she and some new friends must try everything possible to return things to normal.

**Rising Star of Rusty Nail**  
Blume, Lesley  
Call Letters: F Bl  
Pgs: 3E+  
Lexile: 790  
In the small town of Rusty Nail, Minnesota, in the early 1950s, musically talented ten-year-old Franny wants to take advanced piano lessons from newcomer Olga Malenkov, a famous Russian musician suspected of being a communist spy by gossipy members of the community.

**Into the Wild (Book 1: The Warriors)**  
Hunter, Erin  
Call Letters: F Hu  
Pgs: 272  
Lexile: 790  
Rusty, a bored house kitten, is apprenticed by the ThunderClan and must struggle to fit in when the group of feral cats is threatened by the enemy ShadowClan.
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**The Penderwicks**
Birdsall, Jeanne
Call Letters: F Bi  Pgs: 262  Lexile: 800
While vacationing with their widowed father in the Berkshire Mountains, four lovable sisters, ages four through twelve, share adventures with a local boy, much to the dismay of his snobbish mother.

**Among the Hidden (Book 1: Shadow Children)**
Haddix, Margaret Peterson
Call Letters: F Ha  Pgs: 153  Lexile: 800
In a future where the Population Police enforce the law limiting a family to only two children, Luke has lived all his twelve years in isolation and fear on his family's farm, until another "third" convinces him that the government is wrong.

**Millicent Min, Girl Genius**
Yee, Lisa
Call Letters: F Ye  Pgs: 248  Lexile: 800
In a series of journal entries, eleven-year-old girl genius Millicent Min records her struggles to learn to play volleyball, tutor her enemy, deal with her grandmother's departure, and make friends over the course of a tumultuous summer.

**The Trolls**
Horvath, Polly
Call Letters: F Ho  Pgs: 135  Lexile: 810
Eccentric Aunt Sally comes from Canada to babysit the Anderson children while their parents are on a trip to Paris and every night the bedtime story adds another piece to a very suspect family history.

**The Big House**
Coman, Carolyn
Call Letters: F Co  Pgs: 220  Lexile: 820
When Ivy and Ray's parents are sent to jail, and left in the custody of their parent's accusers, they decide to look for evidence that will "spring" their parents.

**Palace of Mirrors**
Haddix, Margaret Peterson
Call Letters: F Ha  Pgs: 0  Lexile: 820
Fourteen-year-old Cecilia has always known she is the true princess of Suala, but when she and her best friend, Harper, decide to speed up her ascendancy to the throne, they find danger and many imposters who challenge her claim.

**No Talking**
Clements, Andrew
Call Letters: F Cl  Pgs: 146  Lexile: 820
The noisy fifth grade boys of Laketon Elementary School challenge the equally loud fifth grade girls to a "no talking" contest.
Kenny and the Dragon
DiTerlizzi, Tony
Call Letters: F Di   Pgs: 151   Lexile: 820
Kenny Rabbit tries to save his friend, the dragon, after he is labeled a community nuisance by the simple people of Roundbrook village, who arrange for the creature to be fought by St. George.

Becoming Naomi Leon
Ryan, Pam Munoz
Call Letters: F Ry   Pgs: 246   Lexile: 830
When Naomi’s absent mother resurfaces to claim her, Naomi runs away to Mexico with her great-grandmother and younger brother in search of her father.

Frindle
Clements, Andrew
Call Letters: F Cl   Pgs: 105   Lexile: 830
When he decides to turn his fifth-grade teacher’s love of the dictionary around on her, clever Nick Allen invents a new word and begins a chain of events that quickly moves beyond his control.

Dealing With Dragons (Book 1: Enchanted Forest Chronicles)
Wrede, Patricia
Call Letters: F Wr   Pgs: 212   Lexile: 830
Bored with traditional palace life, a princess goes off to live with a group of dragons and soon becomes involved with fighting against some disreputable wizards who want to steal away the dragons’ kingdom.

Mysterious Case of the Allbright Academy
Stanley, Diane
Call Letters: F St   Pgs: 258   Lexile: 830
Eighth-grader Franny and her friends investigate why most of the students at their exclusive boarding school are brilliant, beautiful, and perfectly behaved.

Lunch Money
Clements, Andrew
Call Letters: F Cl   Pgs: 222   Lexile: 840
Twelve-year-old Greg, who has always been good at moneymaking projects, is surprised to find himself teaming up with his lifelong rival, Maura, to create a series of comic books to sell at school.

Room One: A Mystery or Two
Clements, Andrew
Call Letters: F Cl   Pgs: 162   Lexile: 840
Ted Hammond, the only sixth grader in his small Nebraska town’s one-room schoolhouse, searches for clues to the disappearance of a homeless family.
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**Mysterious Benedict Society**  
Stewart, Trenton Lee  
Call Letters: F St  Pgs: 496  Lexile: 840  
After passing a series of mind-bending tests, four children are selected for a secret mission that requires them to go undercover at the Learning Institute for the Very Enlightened, where the only rule is that there are no rules.

**Once Upon a Marigold**  
Ferris, Jean  
Call Letters: F Fe  Pgs: 266  Lexile: 840  
A young man with a mysterious past and a penchant for inventing things leaves the troll who raised him, meets an unhappy princess he has loved from afar, and discovers a plot against her and her father.

**Smart Dog**  
Vande Velde, Vivian  
Call Letters: F Va  Pgs: 145  Lexile: 840  
Fifth grader Amy finds her life growing complicated when she meets and tries to hide an intelligent, talking dog who has escaped from a university lab.

**Sammy Keyes and the Hotel Thief (series)**  
VanDraanan, Wendelin  
Call Letters: F Va  Pgs: 168  Lexile: 840  
Thirteen-year-old Sammy's penchant for speaking her mind gets her in trouble when she involves herself in the investigation of a robbery at the "seedy" hotel across the street from the seniors' building where she is living with her grandmother.

**Moving Day: Allie Finkle’s Rules for Girls**  
Cabot, Meg  
Call Letters: F Ca  Pgs: 228  Lexile: 850  
9-year-old Allie Finkle has rules for everything and is even writing her own rule book, but her world is turned upside-down when she learns that her family is moving across town, which will mean a new house, school, best friend, and plenty of new rules.

**My Haunted House (Book 1: Araminta Spookie)**  
Sage, Angie  
Call Letters: F Sa  Pgs: 132  Lexile: 870  
Araminta enlists the help of several ghosts in an attempt to stop her Aunt Tabby from selling Spook House.

**Secret Language of Girls**  
Dowell, Frances O’Roark  
Call Letters: F Do  Pgs: 247  Lexile: 870  
Marylin and Kate have been friends since nursery school, but when Marylin becomes a middle school cheerleader and Kate begins to develop other interests, their relationship is put to the test.
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Dog's Life: The Autobiography of a Stray
Martin, Ann M.
Call Letters: F Ma   Pgs: 182   Lexile: 870
Squirrel, a stray puppy, tells her life story, from her nurturing mother and brother to making her own way in the world, facing busy highways, changing seasons, and humans both gentle and brutal.

Nowhere to Call Home
DeFelice, Cynthia
Call Letters: F De   Pgs: 199   Lexile: 870
When her father kills himself after losing his money in the stock market crash of 1929, twelve-year-old Frances, now a penniless orphan, decides to hop aboard a freight train and live the life of a hobo.

Ugly Princess and the Wise Fool
Grey, Margaret
Call Letters: F Gr   Pgs: 167   Lexile: 870
When plain-looking Princess Rose longs for the beauty to snare handsome Prince Parsley, and the wise fool Jasper longs to restore wisdom to the kingdom, they end up working together and find they must face the magical Godmother Board of Trustees.

Oggie Cooder
Weeks, Sarah
Call Letters: F We   Pgs: 176   Lexile: 880
Quirky 4th-grader Oggie Cooder goes from being shunned to everyone's best friend when his uncanny ability to chew slices of cheese into the shapes of states wins him a slot on a popular television talent show, but he soon learns the perils of being a celebrity - and having a neighbor girl as his manager.

Gully's Travels
Seidler, Tor
A well-bred Lhasa Apso named Gulliver is forced to leave his master and finds a new one named Carlos, the doorman of a Manhattan apartment building, who takes the dog to his place in Queens, where Gully meets low-life mutts and boisterous humans.

Princess Academy
Hale, Shannon
Call Letters: F Ha   Pgs: 314   Lexile: 890
While attending a strict academy for potential princesses with the other girls from her mountain village, fourteen-year-old Miri discovers unexpected talents and connections to her homeland.

Three Good Deeds
Vande Velde, Vivian
Call Letters: F Va   Pgs: 147   Lexile: 890
Caught stealing some goose eggs from a witch, Howard is cursed for his heartlessness and turned into a goose himself. He can only become human again by performing three good deeds.
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**Our Only May Amelia**  
Holm, Anne  
Call Letters: F Ho  Pgs: 253  Lexile: 900  
As the only girl in a Finnish American family of seven brothers, May Amelia Jackson resents being expected to act like a lady while growing up in Washington state in 1899.

**Evangeline Mudd and the golden-haired apes of the Ikkinasti Jungle**  
Elliot, David  
Call Letters: F El  Pgs: 196  Lexile: 900  
When Evangeline Mudd's primatologist parents travel without her to the Ikkinasti Jungle to study the golden-haired apes, Evangeline and the world-famous Dr. Aphrodite Pikkaflée are eventually called upon to rescue the Mudds and save the jungle from the evil schemes of Aphrodite's money-mad brother.

**Where I'd Like to Be**  
Dowell, Frances O'Roark  
Call Letters: F Do  Pgs: 232  Lexile: 910  
When 12-year old Maddie, a foster child who can't stop looking for a home, shows a new girl her beloved scrapbook, she doesn't anticipate this one gesture will challenge her very idea of what home, and family, are all about.

**Pepins and Their Problems**  
Horvath, Polly  
Call Letters: F Ho  Pgs: 179  Lexile: 920  
Whether it's waking up to find toads in their shoes, becoming trapped on the roof, or searching for cheese when their cow makes only lemonade, the Pepin family always seem to get into the most bizarre scrapes. Lucky for them they have great problem-solving readers.

**Ghosts in the Gallery**  
Wallace, Barbara  
Call Letters: F Wa  Pgs: 136  Lexile: 940  
When eleven-year-old Jenny arrives at her grandfather's house but is not recognized as one of the family because of a servant's intrigue, the young orphan endures a difficult fate.

**Bud, Not Buddy**  
Curtis, Christopher Paul  
Call Letters: F Cu  Pgs: 245  Lexile: 950  
Ten-year-old Bud, a motherless boy living in Flint, Michigan, during the Great Depression, escapes a bad foster home and sets out in search of the man he believes to be his father--the renowned bandleader, H.E. Calloway of Grand Rapids.

**Sing a Song of Tuna Fish**  
Codell, Esme  
Call Letters: F Co  Pgs: 127  Lexile: 960  
Fictionalized anecdotes of the author's childhood as a ten-year old living in Chicago.
**Green Dog: A Mostly True Story**  
Staples, Suzanne  
Call Letters: F St  Pgs: 119  Lexile: 960  
During the summer before fifth grade, Suzanne, a daydreaming loner who likes to fish and walk through the woods, acquires a canine companion.

**Perils of the Peppermints**  
Wallace, Barbara  
Call Letters: F Wa  Pgs: 263  Lexile: 970  
Left at a New York boarding school by Aunt and Uncle Twice, eleven-year-old Emily finds horrors even greater than those she faced at Sugar Hill Hall, especially after she gets word that her inheritance is lost.

**Ida B**  
Hannigan, Katherine  
Call Letters: F Ha  Pgs: 246  Lexile: 970  
In Wisconsin, fourth-grader Ida B spends happy hours being home-schooled and playing in her family's apple orchard, until her mother begins treatment for breast cancer and her parents must sell part of the orchard and send her to public school.

**Just Grace**  
Harper, Charise Mericle  
Call Letters: F Ha  Pgs: 138  Lexile: 1060  
Misnamed by her teacher, seven-year-old Just Grace prides herself on being empathetic, but when she tries to help a neighbor feel better, her good intentions backfire.

**Lucy Rose: Here's the Thing About Me**  
Kelly, Katy  
Call Letters: F Ke  Pgs: 137  Lexile: 1190  
Eight-year-old Lucy Rose keeps a diary of her first year in Washington, D.C., where she spends time with her grandparents, makes new friends, and longs to convince her teacher to let her take care of the class pet during a holiday.