

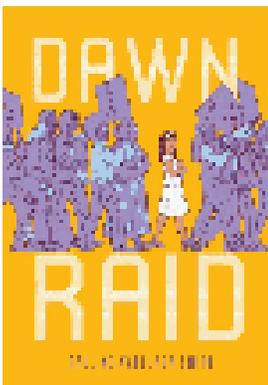
The Seven Voyages - How China's Treasure Fleet Conquered the Sea by Laurence Bergreen and Sara Fray

The central coast of China, 1405. At nearly **seven** feet tall, Admiral Zheng He looked out at the sea before him. For the next three decades, the oceans would be his home, as he would command over 1,500 ships and thousands of sailors in **seven** journeys that would predate the heart of the European Age of Exploration. Over his **seven** epic journeys, Zheng He explored the Northern Pacific and Indian Oceans, traveling as far as the east coast of Africa, expanding Chinese power globally, warring with pirates, and capturing enemies along the way in the name of his emperor, Zhu Di.



The Girl and the Ghost by Hanna Alkaf

A lonely **girl**, Suraya, inherits from her grandmother a pelesit, a ghostly demon, who proves to be a good companion, bringing both danger and hope.



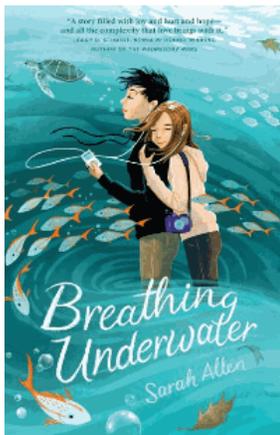
Dawn Raid by Pauline Vaeluaga Smith

Like many 13-year-old girls, Sofia's main worries are how to get some groovy go-go boots, and how not to die of embarrassment giving a speech at school! But when her older brother Lenny starts talking about marches and protests and overstayers, and how Pacific Islanders are being bullied by the police for their passports and papers, a shadow is cast over Sofia's sunny teenage days. Through her heartfelt diary entries, we witness the terror of being dawn-raided and gain an insight into the courageous and tireless work of the Polynesian Panthers in the 1970s as they encourage immigrant families across New Zealand to stand up for their rights.



One Last Shot by John David Anderson

For as long as he can remember, Malcolm has never felt like he was good enough. Not for his parents, who have always seemed at odds with each other, with Malcolm caught in between. And especially not for his dad, whose competitive drive and love for sports Malcolm has never shared. That is, until Malcolm discovers miniature golf, the **one** sport he actually enjoys. Maybe it's the way in which every hole is a puzzle to be solved. Or the whimsy of the windmills and waterfalls that decorate the course. Or maybe it's the slushies at the snack bar. But whatever the reason, something about mini golf just clicks for Malcolm. And best of all, it's a sport his dad can't possibly obsess over. Or so Malcolm thinks. Soon he is signed up for lessons and entered in tournaments. And yet, even as he becomes a better golfer and finds unexpected friends at the local course, he wonders if he might not always be a disappointment. But as the final match of the year draws closer, the tension between Malcolm's parents reaches a breaking point, and it's up to him to put the puzzle of his family back together again.



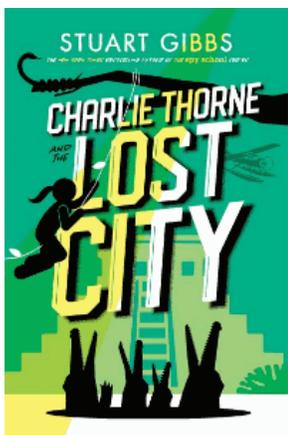
Breathing Underwater by Sarah Allen

During a road trip, thirteen-year-old Olivia, a budding photographer, tries to recreate a Treasure Hunt she once shared with her sixteen-year-old sister, Ruth, while watching for signs that Ruth's depression is back.



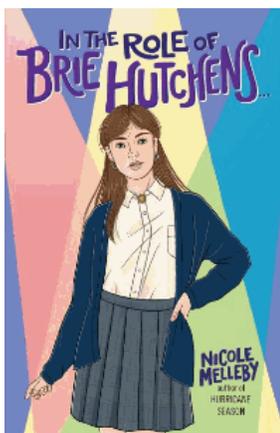
Wild River by Rodman Philbrick

When a dam fails and rushing waters sweep away their adult supervisors, five middle schoolers on a white-water rafting adventure are left alone with few supplies and the opportunity to forge powerful bonds as well as develop dangerous disagreements.



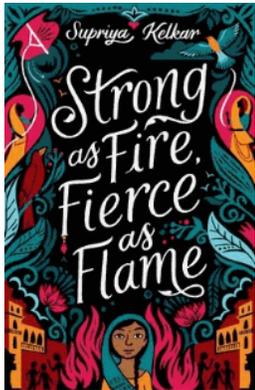
Charlie Thorne Lost City by Stuart Gibbs

Charlie Thorne must search for Charles Darwin's hidden treasure in South America--with plenty of enemies hot on her trail.



In the Role of Brie Hutchens by Nicole Melleby

When strong-willed, drama-loving eighth grader **Brie Hutchens** tells a lie because she isn't quite ready to come out to her mother, she must navigate the consequences in her relationships with her family, friends, and faith..



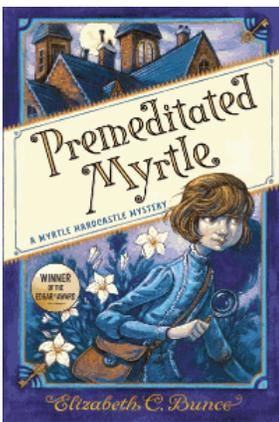
Strong as Fire, Fierce as Flame by Supriya Kelkar

1857 India, 12-year-old Meera escapes a life she has no say in--and certain death on her husband's funeral pyre--only to end up a servant to a British general in the East India Company. When a rebellion against British colonizers spreads, she must choose between relative safety in a British household or standing up for herself and her people.



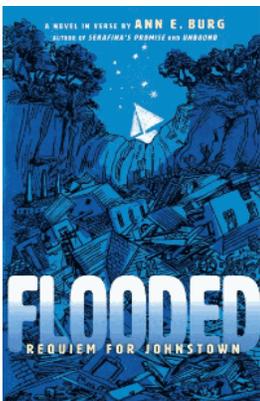
Children of the Flying City by Jason Sheehan

Brought to the **flying city** of Highgate when he was only five years old, orphan Milo Quick has never known another home. A massive armada has surrounded Highgate's crumbling armaments. Because behind locked doors . . . the once-great **flying city** protects a powerful secret, hidden away for centuries. One small airship, the Halcyon, has slipped through the ominous blockade on a mission to collect Milo--and the rich bounty on his head--before the fighting begins.



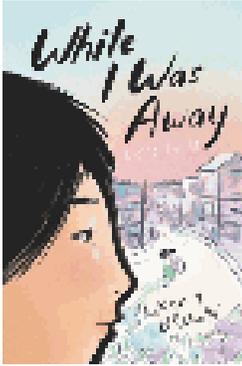
Premeditated Myrtle by Elizabeth C. Bunce

When twelve-year-old aspiring detective **Myrtle** Hardcastle learns her neighbor in quiet Swinburne, England, a breeder of rare flowers, has died she is certain it was murder and that she must find the killer.



Flooded - Requiem for Johnstown by Ann Burg

On May 31, 1889, the South Fork Dam built to create a man-made lake for America's wealthiest businessmen collapsed, unleashing twenty million tons of water onto the town of Johnstown, Pennsylvania, below; told in the voices of six children and many others this is the story of the ordinary people of the town, their losses and their survival--and of the bitter aftermath when those for whom the dam was built denied all responsibility for the shoddy dam and the unnatural disaster which it caused.



While I was Away by Waka T. Brown

When twelve-year-old Waka's parents suspect she can't understand the basic Japanese they speak to her, they make a drastic decision to send her to Tokyo to live for several months with her strict grandmother. Forced to say goodbye to her friends and what would have been her summer vacation, Waka is plucked from her straight-A-student life in rural Kansas and flown across the globe, where she faces the culture shock of a lifetime. In Japan, Waka struggles with reading and writing in kanji, doesn't quite mesh with her complicated and distant Obaasama, and gets made fun of by the students in her Japanese public-school classes. Even though this is the country her parents came from, Waka has never felt more like an outsider. If she's always been the 'smart Japanese girl' in America but is now the 'dumb foreigner' in Japan, where is home...and who will Waka be when she finds it?



Keeping it together, Keiko Carter by Debbi Michiko Florence

Keiko, Audrey, and Jenna have always been best friends, and Keiko desperately wants it to stay that way, but now they are starting seventh grade, and everything seems to be changing; Audrey is obsessed with the idea of them all securing boyfriends, but when she and Jenna focus on the same boy their friendship starts to break apart--and then Keiko finds herself attracted to Audrey's brother, Conner (who has generally been cast as the enemy), and suddenly she finds herself having to choose between the two.



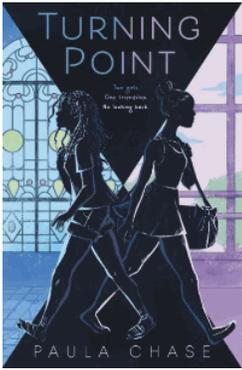
A place to hang the moon by Kate Albus

In World War II England, orphaned siblings William, Edmund, and Anna are evacuated from London to live in the countryside, where they bounce from home to home in search of someone willing to adopt them permanently.



It's girls like you, Mickey by Patti Kim

Mickey faces a lot of challenges when starting seventh grade, but an instant connection with new student Sun Joo improves her outlook until Sydney, popular and mean, decides to make Sun Joo her friend.



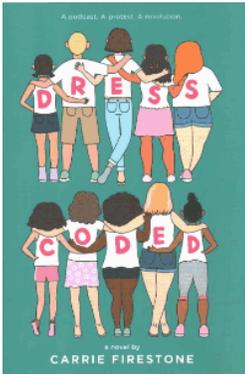
Turning Point by Paula Chase

Best friends Rasheeda and Monique navigate the ups and downs of a teenager's summer, Mo at home in the Cove; Sheeda at a sleepaway ballet intensive.



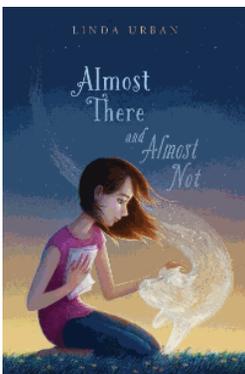
Daughter of the White Rose by Diane Zahler

In fifteenth-century England, commoner Nell and her best friend since infancy, Prince Ned, the future king, try to escape after being wrongfully imprisoned in the Tower of London. Includes historical notes and timeline



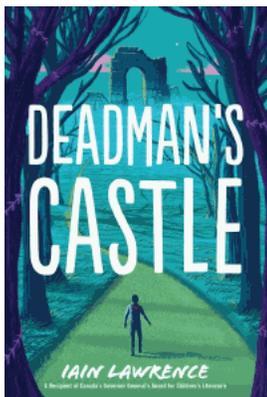
Dress Coded by Carrie Firestone

An eighth grader starts a podcast to protest the unfair **dress** code enforcement at her middle school and sparks a rebellion



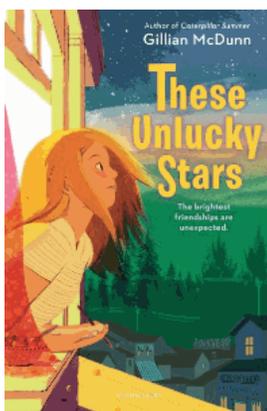
Almost there and almost not by Linda Urban

When her father goes away, eleven-year-old California "Callie" Poppy winds up with her eccentric Great-Aunt Monica and their ancestor, the once-famous etiquette expert Eleanor Fontaine, now a hypersensitive ghost.



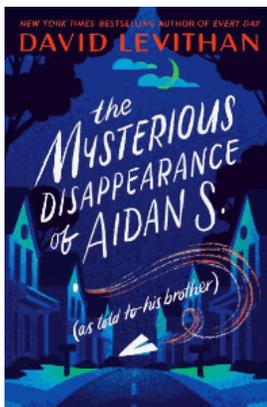
Deadman's Castle by Iain Lawrence

Twelve-year-old Igor yearns for a normal life, but since he was five and his father witnessed a crime, his family has been on the run from the sinister figure he calls The Lizard Man.



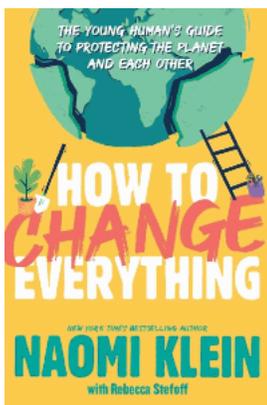
These Unlucky Stars by Gillian McDunn

According to eleven-year-old Annie, luck is never on her side causing her to be somewhat of a loner, but after some prodding by her social studies teacher Annie reluctantly tries her fortune at making friends.



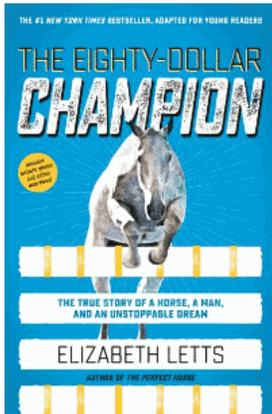
The Mysterious Disappearance of Aidan S. (as told to his brother) by David Levithan

Aidan disappeared for six days. Six agonizing days of searches and police and questions and constant vigils. Then, just as suddenly as he vanished, Aidan reappears. Where has he been? The story he tells is simply. . . impossible. But it's the story Aidan is sticking to. His brother, Lucas, wants to believe him. But Lucas is aware of what other people, including their parents, are saying: that Aidan is making it all up to disguise the fact that he ran away. When the kids in school hear Aidan's story, they taunt him. But still Aidan clings to his story. And as he becomes more of an outcast, Lucas becomes more and more concerned. Being on Aidan's side would mean believing in the impossible. But how can you believe in the impossible when everything and everybody is telling you not to?



How to Change Everything by Naomi Klein

An empowering, engaging young readers guide to understanding and battling climate change from the expert and bestselling author of This Changes Everything and On Fire, Naomi Klein. Warmer temperatures. Fires in the Amazon. Superstorms. These are just some of the effects of climate change that we are already experiencing. The good news is that we can all do something about it. A movement is already underway to combat not only the environmental effects of climate change but also to fight for climate justice and make a fair and livable future possible for everyone. And young people are not just part of that movement, they are leading the way. They are showing us that this moment of danger is also a moment of great opportunity--an opportunity to change everything.



The Eighty- Dollar Champion by Elizabeth Letts

In 1958, a horse bound for the slaughterhouse was purchased by a man who named him Snowman and took him to the top of equestrian show jumping.