



# 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

▶ Summer Reading

Summer 2023

# Choose one of the following titles:

- *Chasing Vermeer*, by Blue Balliett
- *The Mysterious Benedict Society*, by Trenton Stewart
- *Ghost*, by Jason Reynolds
- *Secret Coders Book 1*, by Gene Luen Yang

# *Chasing Vermeer*

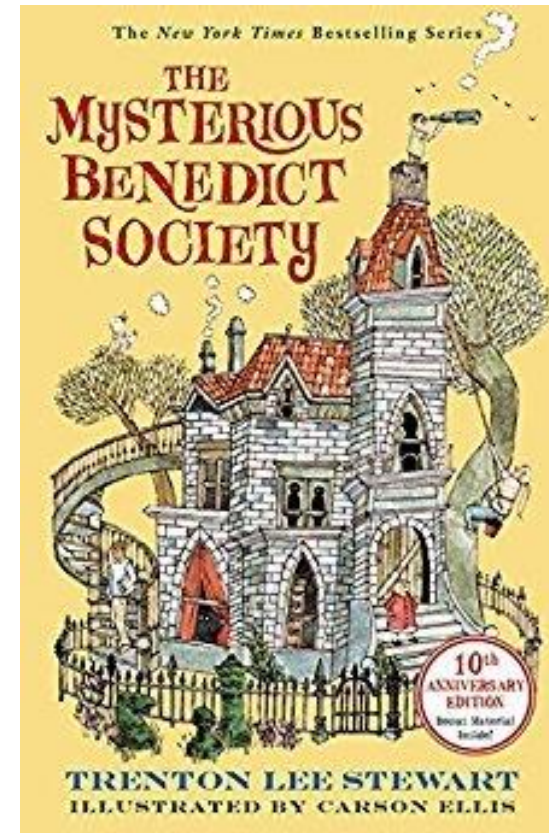
- ▶ Blue Balliett's novel tells the story of 6<sup>th</sup> graders and a stolen painting. Petra and Calder, joined by Calder's friend Tommy, are looking for clues to solve the mystery of who stole a priceless work by Vermeer.
- ▶ Brett Helquist has included a code in the illustrations of the book. Readers can find clues to unlock the code and solve the mystery by examining the illustrations throughout.

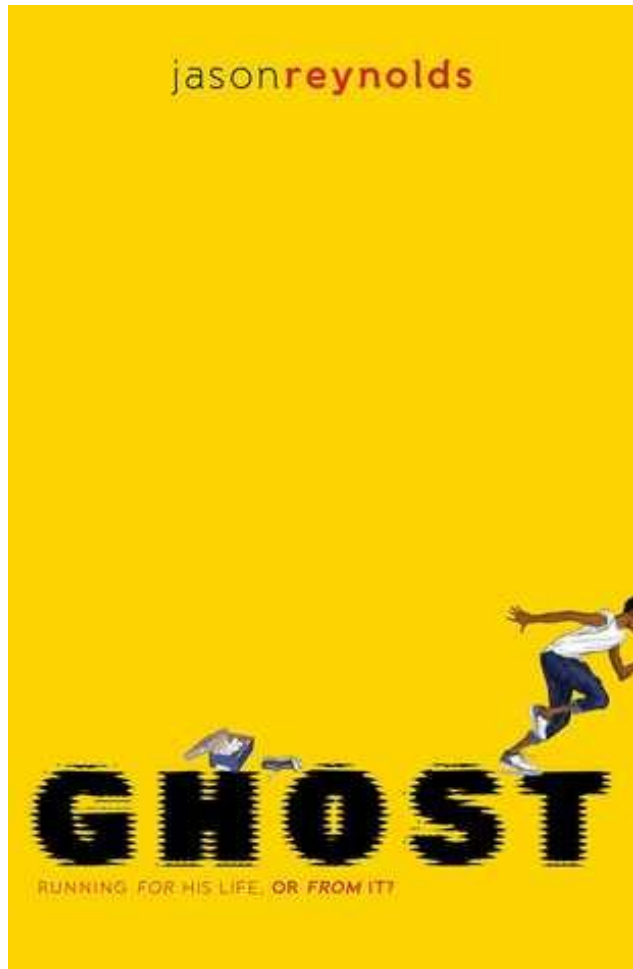


BLUE BALLIETT  
ILLUSTRATED  
BRETT HELQUIST

# *The Mysterious Benedict Society*

This novel by Trenton Lee Stewart introduces four gifted young people, sent to investigate the Learning Institute for the Very Enlightened (L.I.V.E.).





# Ghost

- ▶ Jason Reynolds is the award-winning author of many books for young people. This is the first novel in his Track series.
- ▶ Castle Crenshaw, known as Ghost, is an incredible runner but he's never gone out for track. Until the coach sees him challenge and beat the fastest sprinter on the team, and recruits Ghost to join.
- ▶ Ghost also has a past he's trying to get away from, and a family history he wants to forget. Will he be able to manage those feelings and become part of the team?
- ▶ Listen to Reynolds read an excerpt from his book here [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zzCBbaRkpr8&ab\\_channel=BookTrust](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zzCBbaRkpr8&ab_channel=BookTrust).

## Secret Coders Book 1

- ▶ Hopper and Eni are students at Stately Academy, a school filled with mysteries.
- ▶ The founder left several clues and puzzles, and the two computer programming friends must use their growing skills at coding to solve the mysteries.
- ▶ Logic puzzles and programming instruction feature in this first book of a series.

