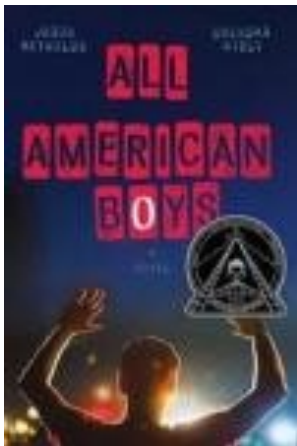


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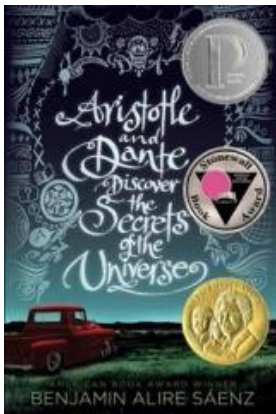
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All American Boys by Jason Reynolds and Brendan Kiely Accelerated Reader: 4.9 Lexile: HL770L Recommended for: Grades 8-12	<p>A bag of chips. That's all sixteen-year-old Rashad is looking for at the corner bodega. What he finds instead is a fist-happy cop who mistakes Rashad for a shoplifter, mistakes Rashad's pleadings that he's stolen nothing for belligerence, mistakes Rashad's resistance to leave the bodega as resisting arrest, mistakes Rashad's every flinch at every punch the cop throws as further resistance and refusal to STAY STILL as ordered. But how can you stay still when someone is pounding your face into the concrete pavement?</p> <p>Rashad and Quinn—one black, one white, both American—face the unspeakable truth that racism and prejudice didn't die after the civil rights movement. There's a future at stake, a future where no one else will have to be absent because of police brutality. They just have to risk everything to change the world.</p>



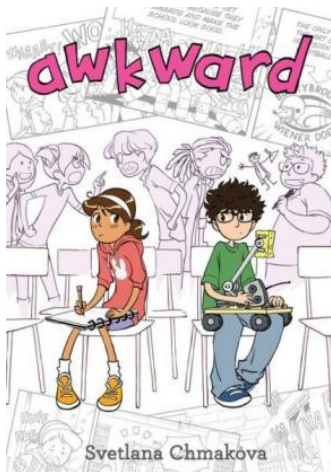
Amina's Voice by Hena Khan Accelerated Reader: 5.0 Lexile: 800L Recommended for:	<p>Amina has never been comfortable in the spotlight. She is happy just hanging out with her best friend, Soojin. Except now that she's in middle school everything feels different. Soojin is suddenly hanging out with Emily, one of the "cool" girls in the class, and even talking about changing her name to something more "American." Does Amina need to start changing too? Or hiding who she is to fit in? While Amina grapples with these questions, she is devastated when her local mosque is vandalized.</p> <p>Amina's Voice brings to life the joys and challenges of a young Pakistani-American and highlights the many ways in which one girl's voice can help bring a diverse community together to love and support each other.</p>
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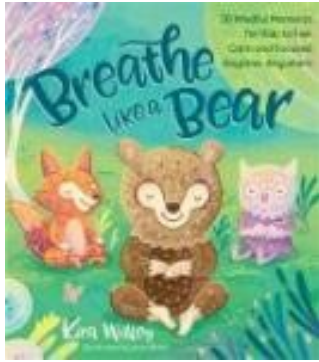
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<p>Anything But Typical by Nora Raleigh Baskin</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 4.1 Lexile: HL640L</p> <p>Recommended for:</p>	<p>Jason Blake is an autistic twelve-year-old living in a neurotypical world. Most days it's just a matter of time before something goes wrong. But Jason finds a glimmer of understanding when he comes across PhoenixBird, who posts stories to the same online site as he does.</p> <p>Jason can be himself when he writes and he thinks that PhoenixBird-her name is Rebecca-could be his first real friend. But as desperate as Jason is to meet her, he's terrified that if they do meet, Rebecca will only see his autism and not who Jason really is.</p> <p>By acclaimed writer Nora Raleigh Baskin, this is the breathtaking depiction of an autistic boy's struggles-and a story for any-</p>



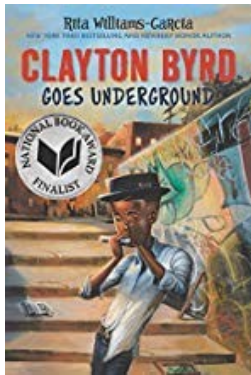
<p>Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe by Benjamin Saenz</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 2.9 Lexile: HL380L</p> <p>Recommended for: Grades 9-12</p>	<p>Aristotle is an angry teen with a brother in prison. Dante is a know-it-all who has an unusual way of looking at the world. When the two meet at the swimming pool, they seem to have nothing in common. But as the loners start spending time together, they discover that they share a special friendship—the kind that changes lives and lasts a lifetime. And it is through this friendship that Ari and Dante will learn the most important truths about themselves and the kind of people they want to be.</p>
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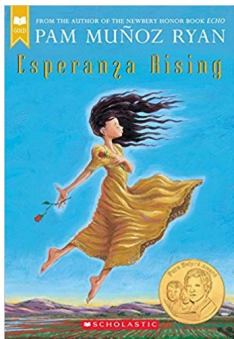
<p>Awkward by Svetlana Chmakova</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 2.8 Lexile: GN210L</p> <p>Recommended for:</p>	<p>Cardinal rule #1 for surviving school: Don't get noticed by the mean kids.</p> <p>Cardinal rule #2 for surviving school: Seek out groups with similar interests and join them.</p> <p>On her first day at her new school, Penelope--Peppi--Torres reminds herself of these basics. But when she trips into a quiet boy in the hall, Jaime Thompson, she's already broken the first rule, and the mean kids start calling her the "nerder girlfriend." How does she handle this crisis? By shoving poor Jaime and running away!</p> <p>Falling back on rule two and surrounding herself with new friends in the art club, Peppi still can't help feeling ashamed about the way she treated Jaime. Things are already awkward enough between the two, but to make matters worse, he's a member of her own club's archrivals--the science club! And when the two clubs go to war, Peppi realizes that sometimes you have to break the rules to survive middle school!</p>
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<p>Breathe Like a Bear: 30 Kids to Feel Calm and Focused, Anytime, by Kira Willey</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: N/A Lexile: N/A</p> <p>Recommended for:</p>	<p>Breathe Like a Bear is a beautifully illustrated collection of mindfulness exercises designed to teach kids techniques for managing their bodies, breath, and emotions. Best of all, these 30 simple, short breathing practices and movements can be performed anytime, anywhere: in the car to the grocery store, during heavy homework nights at home, or even at a child's desk at school.</p>



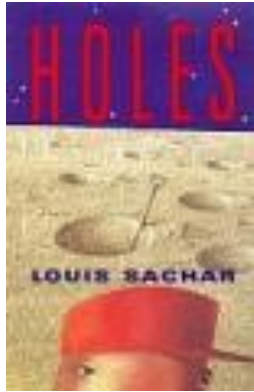
<p>Clayton Byrd Goes by Rita Williams-Garcia</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 4.4 Lexile: 710L</p> <p>Recommended for:</p>	<p>Clayton feels most alive when he's with his grandfather, Cool Papa Byrd, and the band of Bluesmen—he can't wait to join them, just as soon as he has a blues song of his own. But then the unthinkable happens. Cool Papa Byrd dies, and Clayton's mother forbids Clayton from playing the blues. And Clayton</p> <p>Armed with his grandfather's brown porkpie hat and his harmonica, he runs away from home in search of the Bluesmen, hoping he can join them on the road. But on the journey that takes him through the New York City subways and to Washington Square Park, Clayton learns some things that surprise him.</p>
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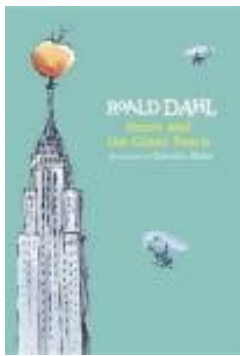
<p>Esperanza Rising by Pam Muñoz Ryan</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 5.3 Lexile: 750L</p> <p>Recommended for: Grades 6-8</p>	<p>Esperanza thought she'd always live with her family on their ranch in Mexico--she'd always have fancy dresses, a beautiful home, and servants. But a sudden tragedy forces Esperanza and Mama to flee to California during the Great Depression, and to settle in a camp for Mexican farm workers. Esperanza isn't ready for the hard labor, financial struggles, or lack of acceptance she now faces. When their new life is threatened, Esperanza must find a way to rise above her difficult circumstances--Mama's life, and her own, depend on it.</p>
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<p>The Hate U Give by Angie Thomas</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 3.9 Lexile: HL590L</p> <p>Recommended for: Grades 9-12</p>	<p>Sixteen-year-old Starr Carter moves between two worlds: the poor neighborhood where she lives and the fancy suburban prep school she attends. The uneasy balance between these worlds is shattered when Starr witnesses the fatal shooting of her childhood best friend Khalil at the hands of a police officer. Khalil was unarmed. Soon afterward, his death is a national headline. Some are calling him a thug, maybe even a drug dealer and a gangbanger. Protesters are taking to the streets in Khalil's name. Some cops and the local drug lord try to intimidate Starr and her family. What everyone wants to know is: what really went down that night? And the only person alive who can answer that is Starr. But what Starr does or does not say could upend her community. It could also endanger her life</p>
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<p>Holes by Louis Sachar</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 4.6 Lexile: 660L</p> <p>Recommended for: Grades 5-7</p>	<p>Stanley Yelnats is under a curse. A curse that began with his no-good-dirty-rotten-pig-stealing-great-great-grandfather and has since followed generations of Yelnatses. Now Stanley has been unjustly sent to a boys' detention center, Camp Green Lake, where the boys build character by spending all day, every day digging holes exactly five feet wide and five feet deep. There is no lake at Camp Green Lake. But there are an awful lot of holes.</p> <p>It doesn't take long for Stanley to realize there's more than character improvement going on at Camp Green Lake. The boys are digging holes because the warden is looking for something. But what could be buried under a dried-up lake? Stanley tries to dig up the truth in this inventive and darkly humorous tale of crime and punishment—and redemption.</p>



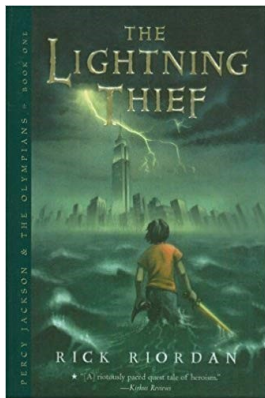
<p>James and the Giant by Roald Dahl</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 4.8 Lexile: 790L</p> <p>Recommended for:</p>	<p>After James Henry Trotter's parents are tragically eaten by a rhinoceros, he goes to live with his two horrible aunts, Spiker and Sponge. Life there is no fun, until James accidentally drops some magic crystals by the old peach tree and strange things start to happen. The peach at the top of the tree begins to grow, and before long it's as big as a house. Inside, James meets a bunch of oversized friends—Grasshopper, Centipede, Ladybug, and more. With a snip of the stem, the peach starts rolling away, and the great adventure begins!</p>
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<p>The Lemonade War by Jacqueline Davies</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 4.0 Lexile: 630L</p> <p>Recommended for: Grades 4-8</p>	<p><i>For a full hour, he poured lemonade. The world is a thirsty place, he thought as he nearly emptied his fourth pitcher of the</i></p> <p>Fourth-grader Evan Treski is people-smart. He's good at talking with people, even grownups. His younger sister, Jessie, on the other hand, is math-smart, but not especially good with people. So when the siblings' lemonade stand war begins, there really is no telling who will win, or even if their fight will ever end. Brimming with savvy marketing tips for making money at any business, definitions of business terms, charts, diagrams, and even math problems, this fresh, funny, emotionally charged novel subtly explores how arguments can escalate beyond anyone's intent.</p>
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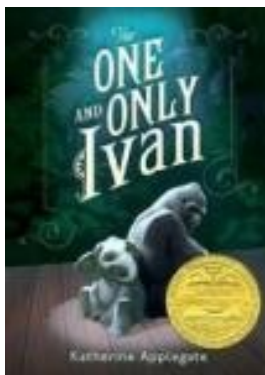
<p>The Librarian of by Antonio Iturbe</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 6.8 Lexile: 940L</p> <p>Recommended for:</p>	<p>Based on the experience of real-life Auschwitz prisoner Dita Kraus, this is the incredible story of a girl who risked her life to keep the magic of books alive during the Holocaust. Fourteen-year-old Dita is one of the many imprisoned by the Nazis at Auschwitz. Taken, along with her mother and father, from the Terezín ghetto in Prague, Dita is adjusting to the constant terror that is life in the camp. When Jewish leader Freddy Hirsch asks Dita to take charge of the eight precious volumes the prisoners have managed to sneak past the guards, she agrees. And so Dita becomes the librarian of Auschwitz. Out of one of the darkest chapters of human history comes this extraordinary</p>
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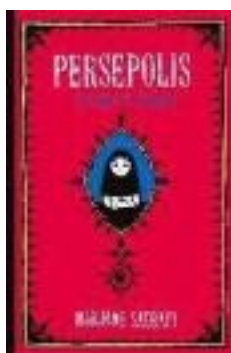
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<p>The Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 4.7 Lexile: 740L</p> <p>Recommended for: Grades 5-7</p>	<p>Percy Jackson is a good kid, but he can't seem to focus on his schoolwork or control his temper. And lately, being away at boarding school is only getting worse—Percy could have sworn his pre-algebra teacher turned into a monster and tried to kill him. When Percy's mom finds out, she knows it's time that he knew the truth about where he came from. She sends Percy to Camp Half Blood, a summer camp for demigods, where he learns that the father he never knew is Poseidon, God of the Sea. Soon a mystery unfolds and together with his friends—one a satyr and the other the demigod daughter of Athena—Percy sets out on a quest across the US to reach the gates of the Un-</p>



<p>March, Vol. 1 by John Lewis</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 4.6 Lexile: GN760L</p> <p>Recommended for:</p>	<p>Congressman John Lewis (GA-5) is an American icon, one of the key figures of the civil rights movement. His commitment to justice and nonviolence has taken him from an Alabama sharecropper's farm to the halls of Congress, from a segregated schoolroom to the 1963 March on Washington, and from receiving beatings from state troopers to receiving the Medal of Freedom from the first African-American president.</p> <p>Book One spans John Lewis' youth in rural Alabama, his life-changing meeting with Martin Luther King, Jr., the birth of the Nashville Student Movement, and their battle to tear down segregation through nonviolent lunch counter sit-ins, building to a stunning climax on the steps of City Hall.</p>
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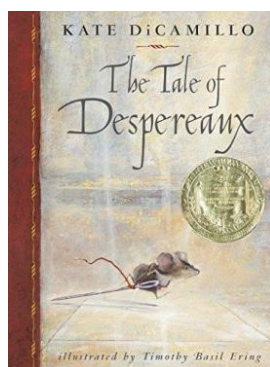
<p>The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 3.6 Lexile: 570L</p> <p>Recommended for:</p>	<p>Ivan is an easygoing gorilla. Living at the Exit 8 Big Top Mall and Video Arcade, he has grown accustomed to humans watching him through the glass walls of his domain. He rarely misses his friends Stella, an elderly elephant, and Bob, a stray dog. But mostly Ivan thinks about art and how to capture the taste of a</p> <p>Then he meets Ruby, a baby elephant taken from her family, and she makes Ivan see their home—and his own art—through new eyes. When Ruby arrives, change comes with her, and it's up to Ivan to make it a change for the better.</p>
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<p>Persepolis by Marjane Satrapi</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 3.3 Lexile: GN380L</p> <p>Recommended for:</p>	<p>Wise, funny, and heartbreaking, Persepolis is Marjane Satrapi's memoir of growing up in Iran during the Islamic Revolution. In powerful black-and-white comic strip images, Satrapi tells the story of her life in Tehran from ages six to fourteen, years that saw the overthrow of the Shah's regime, the triumph of the Islamic Revolution, and the devastating effects of war with Iraq. The intelligent and outspoken only child of committed Marxists and the great-granddaughter of one of Iran's last emperors, Marjane bears witness to a childhood uniquely entwined with the history of her country.</p>
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<p>Speak by Laurie Halse Anderson</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 4.5 Lexile: 690L</p> <p>Recommended for:</p>	<p>"Speak up for yourself--we want to know what you have to say." From the first moment of her freshman year in high school, Melinda knows this is a big fat lie. She is friendless, outcast, because she busted an end-of-summer party by calling the cops, so now nobody will talk to her, let alone listen to her. As time passes, she becomes increasingly isolated and practically stops talking altogether. Only her art class offers any solace, and it is through her work on an art project that she is finally able to face what really happened at that terrible party: she was raped by an upperclassman, a guy who still attends the same school and is still a threat to her. Her healing process has just begun when she has another violent encounter with him. But this time Melinda fights back, refuses to be silent, and thereby achieves a measure of vindication. In Laurie Halse Anderson's powerful novel, an utterly believable heroine with a bitterly ironic voice delivers a blow to the hypocritical world of high school. She speaks for many a disenfranchised teenager while demonstrating the importance of speaking up for oneself.</p>



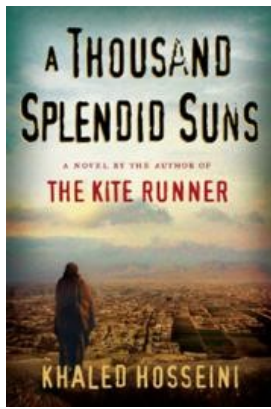
<p>The Tale of Despereaux by Kate DiCamillo</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 4.7 Lexile: 670L</p> <p>Recommended for:</p>	<p>Welcome to the story of Despereaux Tilling, a mouse who is in love with music, stories, and a princess named Pea. It is also the story of a rat called Roscuro, who lives in the darkness and covets a world filled with light. And it is the story of Miggery Sow, a slow-witted serving girl who harbors a simple, impossible wish. These three characters are about to embark on a journey that will lead them down into a horrible dungeon, up into a glittering castle, and, ultimately, into each other's lives. What happens then? As Kate DiCamillo would say: Reader, it is your destiny to find out.</p>
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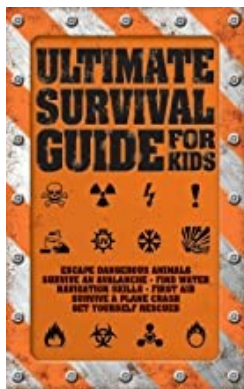
<p>TBH, this may be TMI by Lisa Greenwald</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: N/A Lexile: N/A</p> <p>Recommended for:</p>	<p>TBH, Cece has no time for her boy-crazy friends. She wants to make a bigger impact in middle school than just choosing the perfect kissy cat-face emoji.</p> <p>But that's hard when Gabby and Prianka talk about their crushes 24/7. (To be honest, it's way too much information!) Between nailing down summer plans, getting busted for iMessaging in class, and organizing the spring fair, things are getting rocky for the BFFs.</p> <p>But when Prianka gets an SOS text from her friend Vishal, the girls realize they need to band together—because some of their classmates have bigger challenges than dealing with sixth grade stress. Told entire in text messages.</p>
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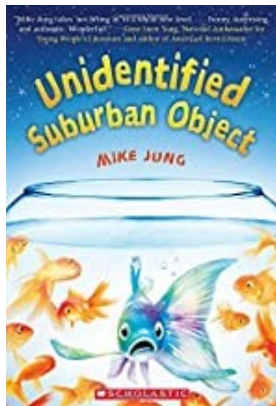
<p>There Will Be Lies by Nick Lake</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 4.8 Lexile: HL740L</p> <p>Recommended for:</p>	<p>In four hours, Shelby Jane Cooper will be struck by a car. Shortly after, she and her mother will leave the hospital and set out on a winding journey toward the Grand Canyon.</p> <p>All Shelby knows is that they're running from dangers only her mother understands. And the further they travel, the more Shelby questions everything about her past—and her current reality. Forced to take advantage of the kindness of unsuspecting travelers, Shelby grapples with what's real, what isn't, and who she can trust . . . if anybody.</p>
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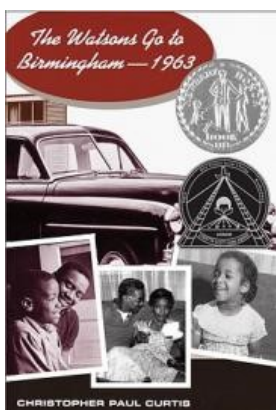
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<p>A Thousand Splendid by Khaled Hosseini</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 5.4 Lexile: 830L</p> <p>Recommended for:</p>	<p>Born a generation apart and with very different ideas about love and family, Mariam and Laila are two women brought jarringly together by war, by loss and by fate. As they endure the escalating dangers around them - in their home as well as in the streets of Kabul - they come to form a bond that makes them both sisters and mother-daughter to each other, and that will ultimately alter the course not just of their own lives but of the next generation. With heart-wrenching power and suspense, Hosseini shows how a woman's love for her family can move her to shocking and heroic acts of self-sacrifice, and that in the end it is love, or even the memory of love, that is often the key</p>



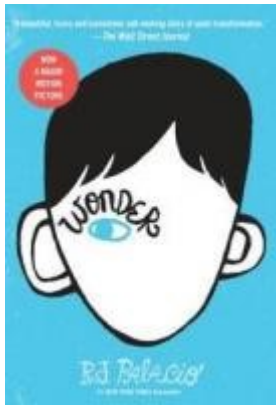
<p>The Ultimate Survival Guide for Kids by Rob Colson</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: N/A Lexile: N/A</p> <p>Recommended for:</p>	<p>Children like to feel in control. Knowing what to do in the case of an emergency increases the chance of survival and it also reduces fear. Even if readers never venture beyond the front door, they will enjoy <i>Ultimate Survival Guide for Kids</i>.</p>
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<p>Unidentified Suburban by Mike Jung</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 5.2 Lexile: 830L</p> <p>Recommended for:</p>	<p>Chloe has just about had it with people not knowing the difference between someone who's Chinese, Japanese, or Korean. She's had it with people thinking that everything she does well are because she's ASIAN. Of course, her own parents don't want to have anything to DO with their Korean background. They seem perfectly happy to be the only Asian family in town.</p> <p>Then a new teacher comes to town: Ms. Lee. She's Korean American, and for the first time Chloe has a person to talk to who seems to understand completely. For Ms. Lee's class, Chloe finally gets to explore her family history. But what she unearths is light-years away from what she expected.</p>
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<p>The Watsons Go to Bir- by Christopher Paul Curtis</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 5.0 Lexile: 920L</p> <p>Recommended for:</p>	<p>The Newbery Honor-winning American classic, <i>The Watsons Go to Birmingham--1963</i>, celebrates 20 years with this anniversary edition featuring a special letter from Christopher Paul Curtis and an introduction by noted educator Dr. Pauletta Bracy.</p> <p>Enter the hilarious world of ten-year-old Kenny and his family, the Weird Watsons of Flint, Michigan. There's Momma, Dad, little sister Joetta, and brother Byron, who's thirteen and an "official juvenile delinquent." When Momma and Dad decide it's time for a visit to Grandma, Dad comes home with the amazing Ultra-Glide, and the Watsons set out on a trip like no other. They're heading South to Birmingham, Alabama, toward</p>
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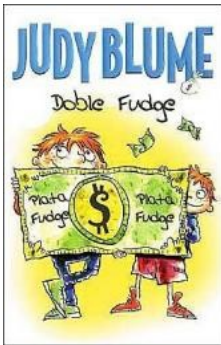


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<p>Wonder by R.J. Palacio</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 4.8 Lexile: 790L</p> <p>Recommended for:</p>	<p>August (Auggie) Pullman was born with a facial deformity that prevented him from going to a mainstream school—until now. He's about to start 5th grade, and if you've ever been the new kid then you know how hard that can be. The thing is Auggie's just an ordinary kid, with an extraordinary face. But can he convince his new classmates that he's just like them, despite ap-</p> <p>A spare, warm, uplifting story that will have readers laughing one minute and wiping away tears the next. With wonderfully realistic family interactions (flawed, but loving), lively school scenes, and short chapters, <i>Wonder</i> is accessible to readers of all levels.</p>

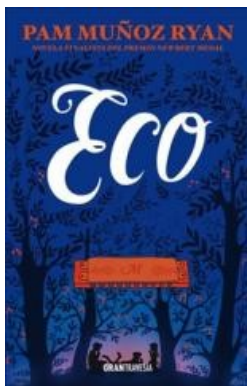


<p>X by Ilyasah Shabazz and Kekla Magoon</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 4.0 Lexile: HL580L</p> <p>Recommended for:</p>	<p>I am Malcolm. I am my father's son. But to be my father's son means that they will always come for me. They will always</p> <p>Malcolm Little's parents have always told him that he can achieve anything, but from what he can tell, that's nothing but a pack of lies. There's no point in trying, he figures, and he escapes into a world of fancy suits, jazz, girls, and reefer. What starts as some small-time hustling quickly spins out of control. Deep down, he knows that the freedom he's found is only an</p> <p>X follows Malcolm from his childhood to his imprisonment for theft at age twenty, when he found the faith that would lead him to forge a new path and command a voice that still reso-</p>
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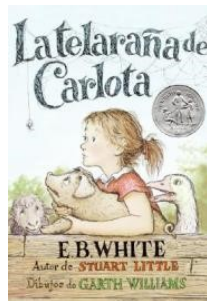
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<p>Doble Fudge by Judy Blume</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 3.0 Lexile: 530L</p> <p>Recommended for:</p>	<p>Fudge is obsessed with money. He's making his own "Fudge Bucks" and has plans to buy the entire world. But life gets really crazy when Fudge and his older brother, Peter, run into their long-lost relatives, the Howie Hatchers. Now they have to deal with annoying twin cousins and a weird younger cousin, coincidentally named Farley Drexel Hatcher—just like Fudge! Their names aren't the only similarity, and before long, mini-Fudge is causing just as much trouble as Fudge always has!</p>



<p>Eco by Pam Muñoz Ryan</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 4.9 Lexile: 680L</p> <p>Recommended for:</p>	<p>Lost and alone in a forbidden forest, Otto meets three mysterious sisters and suddenly finds himself entwined in a puzzling quest involving a prophecy, a promise, and a harmonica.</p> <p>Decades later, Friedrich in Germany, Mike in Pennsylvania, and Ivy in California each, in turn, become interwoven when the very same harmonica lands in their lives. All the children face daunting challenges: rescuing a father, protecting a brother, holding a family together. And ultimately, pulled by the invisible thread of destiny, their suspenseful solo stories con-</p>
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<p>La telaraña de Carlota by E.B. White</p> <p>Accelerated Reader: 2.9 Lexile: HL380L</p> <p>Recommended for: Grades</p>	<p>Some Pig. Humble. Radiant. These are the words in Charlotte's Web, high up in Zuckerman's barn. Charlotte's spiderweb tells of her feelings for a little pig named Wilbur, who simply wants a friend. They also express the love of a girl named Fern, who saved Wilbur's life when he was born the runt of his litter.</p>
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