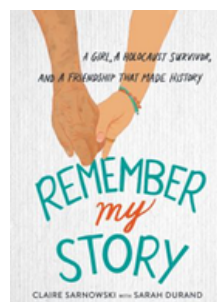


**JOURNEY: MY STORY OF MIGRATION**

By Luis Onofre Valencia

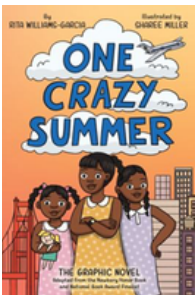
*Luis Onofre Valencia recounts his childhood journey from Mexico to the United States after his father lost his business, describing the hardships of traveling separately from his family and adapting to a new, unwelcoming environment in Anaheim.*



**REMEMBER MY STORY**

By Claire Sarnowski

*This memoir follows the unlikely friendship between teenage activist Claire Sarnowski and Holocaust survivor Alter Wiener as they work together to make Holocaust education mandatory in Oregon's public schools.*



**ONE CRAZY SUMMER**

By Rita Williams Garcia  
Illustrated by Sharee Miller

*The story follows eleven-year-old Delphine, who cares for her younger sisters as they travel from Brooklyn to Oakland to spend the summer with the mother who abandoned them, only to be sent to a Black Panther day camp.*



**GHOST BOYS**

By Jewell Parker Rhodes  
Illustrated by Setor Fiadzigbey

*This graphic novel adaptation of the Jewell Parker Rhodes novel tells the story of twelve-year-old Jerome, who is killed by a police officer after his toy gun is mistaken for a real weapon, and who, as a ghost, witnesses the impact of his death on his family and community while guided by the spirit of Emmett Till.*



**THE CASSETTE TAPE SECRET**

By Danielle Herzog

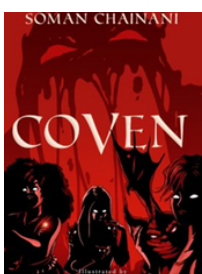
*Thirteen-year-old Alex Bennett, who struggles with OCD and tries to stay unnoticed, is unexpectedly paired with a new student, Ida May. Together, they uncover a hidden message that leads to a mysterious buried box.*



**RIDE OR DIE**

By Delilah S. Dawson

*This horror story follows Brie, a teen desperate to fit in with the popular crowd, whose amusement park sleepover spirals into danger after a game of truth or dare leaves her stranded in a creepy, abandoned area. There, she encounters a group of older teens and an awakened evil force, turning what should have been a fun night into a fight for her life.*



**COVEN**

By Soman Chainani

*A trio of witch detectives known as the Coven travels to a divided land on the brink of war to solve a string of mysterious murders. As they investigate, they realize the true threat may be closer than it seems.*



**THE BUG BANDITS**

By Jenni L. Walsh

*A science-loving girl named Liberty Jacobs discovers a plot to rob her dad's insectarium and, with her friends, sets out to stop the heist. With the museum's future at risk and no adult help, she must rely on her knowledge of insects to protect her home.*

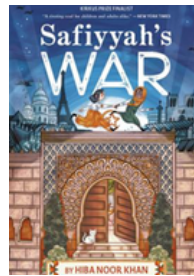




**CLIMATE IS JUST THE START**

By Mikaela Loach

*Confront climate anxiety by understanding the crisis and its links to social injustice. These true stories can empower you to take action and build a fairer, more sustainable future.*



**SAFIYYAH'S WAR**

By Hiba Noor Khan

*During Nazi-occupied Paris, Safiyah must take on dangerous Resistance work after her father is arrested. Does she have what it takes to shelter and guide persecuted Jews to safety through the city's catacombs?*

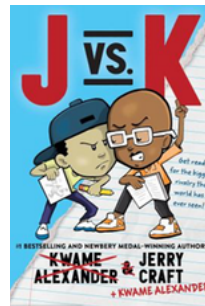


**THE POISONED KING: IMPOSSIBLE CREATURES**

By Katherine Rundel

Illustration by Ashley Mackenzie

*Christopher returns to a magical archipelago of mythical creatures, where a mysterious poison threatens everything. Alongside a determined girl named Anya, he embarks on dangerous adventures to rescue a prisoner and save the islands.*

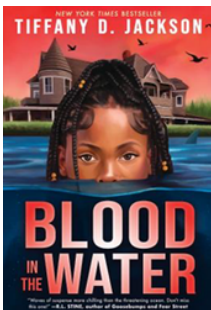


**J VS. K**

By Kwame Alexander

Illustrations by Jerry Craft

*Two creative fifth graders, one an artist and the other a writer, become fierce rivals while competing in a school storytelling contest. Would they be better off . . . as partners?*



**BLOOD IN THE WATER**

By Tiffany Jackson

*While spending the summer on Martha's Vineyard, Kaylani investigates the mysterious death of a teenage boy—one that may be more than an accident. As she digs deeper, she uncovers dangerous secrets that put her own life at risk.*



**CURLFRIENDS**

By Sharee Miller

*Nola, a confident and creative girl, prepares for a school talent show while helping at her family's struggling hair salon. As financial problems threaten the salon, she may need to lean on her friends instead of keeping her problems a secret.*



**SEEDS OF DISCOVERY**

By Lori Alexander

Illustrated by Rebecca Santo

*This biography tells the story of Barbara McClintock, a pioneering geneticist who overcame gender barriers to pursue scientific research. And how her unconventional methods won a Nobel Prize.*



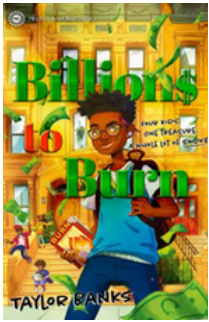
**THE GREENIES**

By Emma Mills

Illustrated by Sarah Nicole Kennedy

*After her parents' divorce, Violet struggles to adjust to a new school. After finally making friends, they all land in detention, where they are forced into joining the school's poorly-attended Environmental Club.*

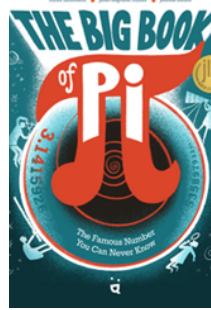




### **BILLIONS TO BURN**

By Taylor Banks

*Zeus Jones discovers that his grandfather's unbelievable stories about the Harlem Renaissance may actually be true when he finds a mysterious hidden map on the same day his grandfather disappears. As he and his friends follow the clues to find a lost treasure, they uncover family secrets and must race against others trying to get it first.*



### **THE BIG BOOK OF PI**

By Anita Lehmann

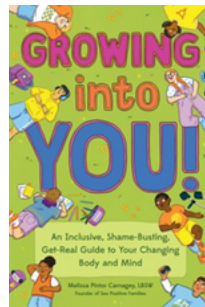
*This book explores the history, mystery, and importance of the number pi, explaining why it is infinite and why mathematicians across cultures and eras have been fascinated by it. It combines stories, math concepts, and playful activities to show how pi has shaped science and continues to inspire curiosity today.*



### **SCHOOLBOT 9000**

By Sam Hepburn

*James Gordon struggles with a world increasingly run by robots, especially when AI "Schoolbots" replace his caring teachers with emotionless, test-focused machines. As the robots begin to disrupt his school, he teams up with an unexpected ally to push back.*

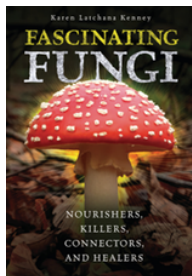


### **GROWING INTO YOU**

By Melissa Carnagey

Illustrations by Brianna Gilmartin

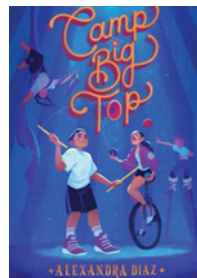
*This interactive guide helps tweens understand puberty in a clear, inclusive, and reassuring way. It provides facts, activities, and reflection exercises to help young people navigate physical, emotional, and social changes involved in growing up.*



### **FASCINATING FUNGI**

By Karen Latchana Kenney

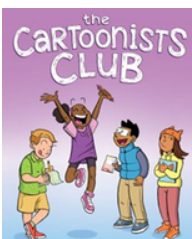
*Explore the vast and often hidden world of fungi, from ancient species to the underground networks of mycelium that connect ecosystems. It explains how fungi impact food, medicine, technology, and the environment, while highlighting how much is still undiscovered.*



### **CAMP BIG TOP**

By Alexandra Diaz

*Four kids at circus camp each face personal struggles while learning different performance skills. When the camp is threatened with closure, they must work together save it—and themselves.*



### **THE CARTOONISTS CLUB**

By Raina Telemeier and Scott McCloud

*Four kids with different creative strengths and struggles form a Cartoonists Club to make comics together.*

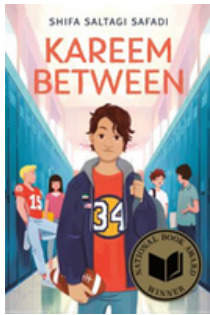


### **ABOLITION AND THE AFRICAN AMERICAN STORY**

By Patricia Williams Dockery

*This book explores the African American experience before, during, and after the Civil War, showing how their labor and lives were central to the development of the United States while also being at the heart of the nation's deepest conflicts.*

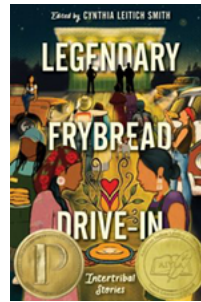




### KAREEM BETWEEN

By Shifa Saltagi Safadi

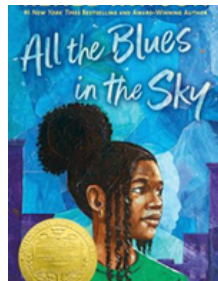
*Seventh-grader Kareem struggles with school life, including failed football tryouts and social challenges, while also trying to support a new Syrian refugee student. His difficulties grow more complicated when his mother is unable to return home due to political restrictions.*



### LEGENDARY FRYBREAD DRIVE IN: INTERTRIBAL STORIES

Edited by Susan Hood

*This collection brings together interconnected stories by Indigenous writers centered around Sandy June's Legendary Fry-Bread Drive-In restaurant, which connects teens from many tribal backgrounds and serves up more than and food.*



### ALL THE BLUES IN THE SKY

By Renee Watson

*After her best friend dies unexpectedly on her thirteenth birthday, Sage struggles with overwhelming grief. In a support group, she slowly learns that healing is complicated.*

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