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The Gallery Mar 24 2022 A riveting historical art mystery for fans of Chasing Vermeer and The Westing Game, set in the Roaring Twenties! It's 1929, and twelve-year-old Martha has no choice but to work as a maid in the New York City mansion of the wealthy Sewell family. But, despite the Gatsby-like parties and trimmings of success, she suspects something might be deeply wrong in the household—specifically with Rose Sewell, the formerly vivacious lady of the house who now refuses to leave her room. The other servants say Rose is crazy, but scrappy, strong-willed Martha thinks there's more to the story—and that the paintings in the Sewell's gallery contain a hidden message detailing the truth. But in a house filled with secrets, nothing is quite what it seems, and no one is who they say. Can Martha follow the clues, decipher the code, and solve the mystery of what's really going on with Rose Sewell? Inspired by true events described in a fascinating author's note, The Gallery is a 1920s caper told with humor and spunk that readers today will love.

Battle Bunny Aug 05 2020 Alex, whose birthday it is, hijacks a story about Birthday Bunny on his special day and turns it into a battle between a supervillain and his enemies in the forest—who, in the original story, are simply planning a surprise party.

Junior May 02 2020

[The Stories Julian Tells](#) Jun 02 2020 Ann Cameron's beloved and bestselling chapter book series about Julian, his brother Huey, and his friend Gloria all begins right here! Julian has a big imagination. And he is great at telling stories. He can make people—especially his younger brother, Huey—believe just about anything. Like the story about the cats that come in the mail. Or the fig leaves that make you grow tall if you eat them off the tree. But some stories can lead to a heap of trouble, and that's exactly where Julian and Huey end up! This book has been selected as a Common Core State Standards Text Exemplar (Grades 2–3, Stories) in Appendix B. "You have to go a long way these days to find a book that leaves you feeling as happy as this one." —The New York Times "There's a glow here that's hard to resist." —Booklist

Hold Fast Aug 24 2019 From NYT bestselling author Blue Balliett, the story of a girl who falls into Chicago's shelter system, and from there must solve the mystery of her father's strange disappearance. Where is Early's father? He's not the kind of father who would disappear. But he's gone . . . and he's left a whole lot of trouble behind. As danger closes in, Early, her mom, and her brother have to flee their apartment. With nowhere else to go, they are forced to move into a city shelter. Once there, Early starts asking questions and looking for answers. Because her father hasn't disappeared without a trace. There are patterns and rhythms to what's happened, and Early might be the only one who can use them to track him down and make her way out of a very tough place. With her signature, singular love of language and sense of mystery, Blue Balliett weaves a story that takes readers from the cold, snowy Chicago streets to the darkest corner of the public library, on an unforgettable hunt for deep truths and a reunited family.

White Fur Flying Jan 10 2021 A sad and silent nine-year-old boy finds his voice when he moves next to a family that rescues dogs.

Nantucket Ghosts Nov 19 2021 Nantucket Island has just more than 10,000 year-round residents—and a sizeable population of very real ghosts. The 44 tales in this book were collected as oral history. Some of these spirits are benign, even protective; others terrorize the humans who encounter them. All are memorable.

Hurricane Season Jul 04 2020 Fig, a sixth grader, wants more than anything to see the world as her father does. The once-renowned pianist, who hasn't composed a song in years and has unpredictable good and bad days, is something of a mystery to Fig. Though she's a science and math nerd, she tries taking an art class just to be closer to him, to experience life the way an artist does. But then Fig's dad shows up at school, disoriented and desperately searching for Fig. Not only has the class not brought Fig closer to understanding him, it has brought social services to their door. Diving into books about Van Gogh to understand the madness of artists, calling on her best friend for advice, and turning to a new neighbor for support, Fig continues to try everything she can think of to understand her father, to save him from himself, and to find space in her life to discover who she is even as the walls are falling down around her. Nicole Melley's Hurricane Season is a stunning debut about a girl struggling to be a kid as pressing adult concerns weigh on her. It's also about taking risks and facing danger, about love and art, and about coming of age and coming out. And more than anything else, it is a story of the healing power of love—and the limits of that power.

Zebra Forest Feb 20 2022 In an extraordinary debut novel, an escaped fugitive upends everything two siblings think they know about their family, their past, and themselves. When eleven-year-old Annie first started lying to her social worker, she had been taught by an expert: Gran. "If you're going to do something, make sure you do it with excellence," Gran would say. That was when Gran was feeling talkative, and not brooding for days in her room—like she did after telling Annie and her little brother, Rew, the one thing they know about their father: that he was killed in a fight with an angry man who was sent away. Annie tells stories, too, as she and Rew laze under the birches and oaks of Zebra Forest—stories about their father the pirate, or pilot, or secret agent. But then something shocking happens to unravel all their stories: a rattling at the back door, an escapee from the prison holding them hostage in their own home, four lives that will never be the same. Driven by suspense and psychological intrigue, Zebra Forest deftly portrays an unfolding standoff of truth against family secrets—and offers an affecting look at two resourceful, imaginative kids as they react and adapt to the hand they've been dealt. From ZEBRA FOREST we called it the Zebra Forest because it looked like a zebra. Its trees were a mix of white birch and chocolate oak, and if you stood a little ways from it, like at our house looking across the back field that was our yard, you saw stripes, black and white, that went up into green. Gran never went out there except near dusk, when the shadows gathered. She didn't like to be out in full sunlight usually, and told me once she didn't like the lines the trees made. Gran was always saying stuff like that. Perfectly beautiful things—like a clean blue sky over the Zebra—made tears come to her eyes, and if I tried to get her to come outside with me, she'd duck her head and hurry upstairs to bed. But then it would be storming, lightning sizzling the tops of the trees, and she'd run round the house, cheerful, making us hot cocoa and frying up pancakes and warming us with old quilts. We had few rules in our house, but keeping out of the Zebra Forest in a storm was one of them.

Hold Fast Oct 31 2022 When Early's father disappears, she, her mother, and her brother are forced to flee their Chicago apartment and join the ranks of the homeless—and it is up to Early to hold her family together and solve the mystery surrounding her father.

The Harlem Charade Dec 21 2021 WATCHER. SHADOW. FUGITIVE. Harlem is home to all kinds of kids. Jin sees life passing her by from the window of her family's bodega. Alex wants to help the needy one shelter at a time, but can't tell anyone who she really is. Elvin's living on Harlem's cold, lonely streets, surviving on his own after his grandfather was mysteriously attacked. When these three strangers join forces to find out what happened to Elvin's grandfather, their digging leads them to an enigmatic artist whose missing masterpieces are worth a fortune—one that might save the neighborhood from development by an ambitious politician who wants to turn it into Harlem World, a ludicrous historic theme park. But if they don't find the paintings soon, nothing in their beloved neighborhood will ever be the same. . . . In this remarkable tale of daring and danger, debut novelist Natasha Tarpley explores the way a community defines itself, the power of art to show truth, and what it really means to be home. Praise for The Harlem Charade: "A story that motivates justice and inspires kindness." -- Kirkus Reviews, starred review "The Harlem Charade links a multifaceted cast of characters with some of Harlem's thorniest issues, and offers dreams, hope, and plenty of action in the process. Few novels take on the real-life neighborhood issues of gentrification, big money, and the destructive loss of old ways. This book does, and in the process shines a light on the magical and complex history of Harlem and its many brilliant art forms. Tarpley shares Harlem's past and present glory with grace and respect, and in the process offers inspiration to all who would love to see its unique beauty survive." -- Blue Balliett, New York Times bestselling author of Chasing Vermeer Praise for I Love My Hair!: "A very special book about self-acceptance." -- School Library Journal "[A] celebration of African American identity." -- Booklist

This Journal Belongs to Ratchet May 14 2021 Move over Diary of a Wimpy Kid—there's a new journal in town and it belongs to Ratchet. "A book that is full of surprises...Triumphant enough to make readers cheer; touching enough to make them cry." —Kirkus, STARRED Review If only getting a new life were as easy as getting a new notebook. But it's not. It's the first day of school for all the kids in the neighborhood. But not for me. I'm homeschooled. That means nothing new. No new book bag, no new clothes, and no new friends. The best I've got is this notebook. I'm supposed to use it for my writing assignments, but my dad never checks. Here's what I'm really going to use it for: Ratchet's Top Secret Plan Turn my old, recycled, freakish, friendless life into something shiny and new. This Florida State Book Award gold medal winner is a heartfelt story about an unconventional girl's quest to make a friend, save a park, and find her own definition of normal.

Wonderful Alexander and the Catwings Mar 12 2021 After being rescued by a flying cat, Alexander the cat decides to make good on a promise to do wonderful things.

The First Book of Rhythms Sep 17 2021 Discusses various rhythms, their origins, and how rhythms come from movement.

Winter Is Coming Sep 25 2019 "A quiet, beautiful picture book to share." —Booklist (starred review) "This gentle, lyrical celebration of the natural world will reward similarly observant readers." —Kirkus Reviews (starred review) "A touching reminder about the beauty of the natural world." —School Library Journal (starred review) "With meditative language, Johnston offers a vivid sense of the changing seasons and of stillness. LaMarche quietly and sensitively portrays a child who's comfortable spending hours alone, working on her own projects and observing—a young naturalist." —Publishers Weekly (starred review) Witness the changing of a season through a watchful child's eyes in this story of nature and discovery from award-winning author Tony Johnston and New York Times Best Illustrated artist Jim LaMarche. Day after day, a girl goes to her favorite place in the woods and quietly watches from her tree house as the chipmunks, the doe, the rabbits prepare for the winter. As the temperature drops, sunset comes earlier and a new season begins. Silently she observes the world around her as it reveals its secrets. It takes time and patience to see the changes as, slowly but surely, winter comes.

Out of the Wild Night May 26 2022 Ghosts are alive on the island of Nantucket. You can hear them in the wind, and in the creaks of the old homes. They want to be remembered. And, even more, they want to protect what was once theirs. The ghosts seem to have chosen a few local kids to be their messengers -- and to help save the island. But in this mystery, the line between those who haunt and those who are haunted is a thin one -- and the past and the present must come to terms with one another in order to secure the future.

The Danger Box Sep 29 2022 An all-new mystery from the bestselling author of Chasing Vermeer and The Calder Game! A boy in a small town who has a different way of seeing. A curious girl who doesn't belong. A mysterious notebook. A missing father. A fire. A stranger. A death. These are some of the things you'll find within The Danger Box, the new mystery from bestselling author Blue Balliett. Open with care.

Masterpiece Jan 28 2020 Marvin lives with his family under the kitchen sink in the Pompadays' apartment. He is very much a beetle. James Pompaday lives with his family in New York City. He is very much an eleven-year-old boy. After James gets a pen-and-ink set for his birthday, Marvin surprises him by creating an elaborate miniature drawing. James gets all the credit for the picture and before these unlikely friends know it they are caught up in a staged art heist at the Metropolitan Museum of Art that could help recover a famous drawing by Albrecht Dürer. But James can't go through with the plan without Marvin's help. And that's where things get really complicated (and interesting!). This fast-paced mystery will have young readers on the edge of their seats as they root for boy and beetle. In Shakespeare's Secret Elise Broach showed her keen ability to weave storytelling with history and suspense, and Masterpiece is yet another example of her talent. This time around it's an irresistible miniature world, fascinating art history, all wrapped up in a special friendship—something for everyone to enjoy. Masterpiece is a 2009 Bank Street - Best Children's Book of the Year.

The Calder Game Jul 28 2022 This new mystery from bestselling author Blue Balliett is now available in After Words paperback! When Calder Pillay travels with his father to a remote village in England, he finds a mix of mazes and mystery . . . including an unexpected Alexander Calder sculpture in the town square. Calder is strangely drawn to the sculpture, while other people have less-than-friendly feelings towards it. Both the boy and the sculpture seem to be out of place . . . and then, on the same night, they disappear! Calder's friends Petra and Tommy must fly out to help his father find him. But this mystery has more twists and turns than a Calder mobile . . . with more at stake than first meets the eye.

Chasing Vermeer (Scholastic Gold) Aug 29 2022 Chasing Vermeer joins the Scholastic Gold line, which features award-winning and beloved novels. Includes exclusive bonus content! When a book of unexplainable occurrences brings Petra and Calder together, strange things start to happen: Seemingly unrelated events connect; an eccentric old woman seeks their company; an invaluable Vermeer painting disappears. Before they know it, the two find themselves at the center of an international art scandal, where no one is spared from suspicion. As Petra and Calder are drawn clue by clue into a mysterious labyrinth, they must draw on their

powers of intuition, their problem solving skills, and their knowledge of Vermeer. Can they decipher a crime that has stumped even the FBI?

The Wright 3 Jun 26 2022 From the New York Times best-selling team behind Chasing Vermeer comes another thought-provoking art mystery featuring Frank Lloyd Wright's Robie house--now in After Words paperback! Spring semester at the Lab School in Hyde Park finds Petra and Calder drawn into another mystery when unexplainable accidents and ghostly happenings throw a spotlight on Frank Lloyd Wright's Robie House, and it's up to the two junior sleuths to piece together the clues. Stir in the return of Calder's friend Tommy (which creates a tense triangle), H.G. Wells's The Invisible Man, 3-D pentominoes, and the hunt for a coded message left behind by Wright, and the kids become tangled in a dangerous web in which life and art intermingle with death, deception, and surprise.

Nantucket Nocturne Oct 07 2020 A decades-old robbery of an ancient whaling chest, combined with an historic riddle, send the winter inhabitants of Nantucket - including a scallop fisherman, a former tour bus driver, and a 95-year-old native - on an island-wide treasure hunt.

From the Mixed-up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler Nov 07 2020 New York City girl Claudia, a mere month shy of being a twelve-year-old, has resolved to run away from home with her younger brother, Jamie. She knows that she could never pull off the classic spur-of-the-moment departure without a destination (inevitably involving having to eat outside with the insects, and cupcakes melting in the sun); so she plans everything to perfection, including their destination: the grand, elegant, beautiful, all-encompassing Metropolitan Museum of Art. However, no sooner have Claudia and Jamie settled into their new home, than they are caught up in the mystery of an angel statue bought by the museum for the bargain price of \$225. Is it in fact an as yet undiscovered work by Michelangelo, worth millions? Claudia is determined to find out, and her quest leads her to the remarkable, secretive Mrs. Frankweiler, who sold the statue to the museum - and to some equally remarkable discoveries about herself. Since its first appearance nearly 50 years ago, The Mixed-up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler has gained a place in the hearts of generations of readers - and has rightly become one of the most celebrated and beloved children's books of all time.

Heartbreak Hotel Jul 24 2019 When retired actor and irrepressible ladies' man Buffy decides to leave London and move to rural Wales, he has no idea what he is getting himself into. In possession of a run-down bed and breakfast that leans more toward the shabby than the chic, Buffy realizes that he needs to fill the beds--and fast. Then he has the bold idea of starting "Courses for Divorces." Enter a motley collection of guests: Harold, whose wife has run off with a younger woman; Amy, who's been unexpectedly dumped by her (not-so) nebbish boyfriend; and Andy, the hypochondriac postman whose girlfriend is much too much for him to handle. But under Buffy's watchful eye, this disparate group of strangers finds that they have more in common than perhaps they first thought.

When I Grow Up Sep 05 2020 This hugely exciting picture book collaboration by internationally celebrated musician-comedian Tim Minchin and award-winning illustrator Steve Antony is an absolute treat for all ages. Inspired by Tim Minchin's hit song WHEN I GROW UP from MATILDA THE MUSICAL, the book takes a humorous yet moving look at adult life from a child's perspective.

Tom Gates Random Acts of Fun Dec 09 2020 Tom has a fractured ankle . . . can he come up with fun stuff to do until the cast comes off? Tom Gates has fractured his ankle and is totally FED UP. That is until he starts to think up fun stuff to do while he's waiting for the cast to come off: making up a secret language with Norman; having his friends over to try out his crutches; sitting by the window spying on his street; and most of all, trying to get his hands on a caramel doughnut from the new bakery in town.

He's Gone: A Novel Jun 22 2019 From National Book Award finalist Deb Caletti comes an intensely gripping story about love, loss, marriage, and secrets—perfect for readers of Jodi Picoult, Kristin Hannah, and Anna Quindlen. "One of the best books I've read all year." —Barbara O'Neal, author of The Garden of Happy Endings "What do you think happened to your husband, Mrs. Keller?" The Sunday morning starts like any other, aside from the slight hangover. Dani Keller wakes up on her Seattle houseboat, a headache building behind her eyes from the wine she drank at a party the night before. But on this particular Sunday morning, she's surprised to see that her husband, Ian, is not home. As the hours pass, Dani fills her day with small things. But still, Ian does not return. Irritation shifts to worry, worry slides almost imperceptibly into panic. And then, like a relentless blackness, the terrible realization hits Dani: He's gone. As the police work methodically through all the logical explanations—he's hurt, he's run off, he's been killed—Dani searches frantically for a clue as to whether Ian is in fact dead or alive. And, slowly, she unpacks their relationship, holding each moment up to the light: from its intense, adulterous beginning, to the grandeur of their new love, to the difficulties of forever. She examines all the sins she can—and cannot—remember. As the days pass, Dani will plumb the depths of her conscience, turning over and revealing the darkest of her secrets in order to discover the hard truth—about herself, her husband, and their lives together. "A thought-provoking and moving exploration." —New York Times bestselling author Erica Bauermeister Look for special features inside. Join the Circle for author chats and more.

When the Sergeant Came Marching Home Jul 16 2021 In 1946 when his father returns from the war, a ten year old boy and his family move from the Montana town where they had been living to an old, run-down farm in the middle of nowhere, where they work hard trying to make ends meet.

Malcolm at Midnight Nov 27 2019 Malcolm, a smaller than average-sized rat, loves his life at McKenna School and the secret society of classroom pets that keep children out of trouble, but when Aggy the iguana disappears Malcolm must use all of his ratty persistence to prove his innocence and save her. 30,000 first printing.

The World's Greatest Detective Jun 14 2021 Caroline Carlson, author of the Very Nearly Honorable League of Pirates series, returns with The World's Greatest Detective, a story of crime, tricks, and hilarity for those who know that sometimes it takes a pair of junior sleuths to solve a slippery case. Detectives' Row is full of talented investigators, but Toby Montrose isn't one of them. He's only an assistant at his uncle's detective agency, and he's not sure he's even very good at that. Toby's friend Ivy is the best sleuth around—or at least she thinks so. They both see their chance to prove themselves when the famed Hugh Abernathy announces a contest to choose the World's Greatest Detective. But when what was supposed to be a game turns into a real-life murder mystery, can Toby and Ivy crack the case?

Into the Lion's Den Oct 19 2021 Watch out, Nancy Drew—Devlin Quick is smart, strong, and she will DEFINITELY close the case in this thrilling new mystery series for girls and boys from New York Times bestselling author Linda Fairstein Someone has stolen a page from a rare book in the New York Public Library. At least, that's what Devlin's friend Liza thinks she's seen, but she can't be sure. Any other kid might not see a crime here, but Devlin Quick is courageous and confident, and she knows she has to bring this man to justice—even if it means breathlessly racing around the city to collect evidence. But who is this thief? And what could the page—an old map—possibly lead to? With her wits, persistence, and the help of New York City's finest (and, okay, a little bit of help from her police commissioner mother, too), Dev and her friends piece the clues together to uncover a mystery that's bigger than anyone expected—and more fun, too. With all of the heart-pounding excitement that made her internationally bestselling Alexandra Cooper series a hit, Linda Fairstein paves the way for another unstoppable heroine . . . even if she is only twelve.

The Sound of Broken Glass Oct 26 2019 A Duncan Kincaid and Gemma James mystery by New York Times bestselling author Deborah Crombie Then... In the struggling but close-knit South London neighborhood of Crystal Palace — once the apex of Queen Victoria's glamorous Great Exhibition, ruinously gutted by fire — a gifted boy and his new neighbor, a solitary young widow, make a pact of friendship; only to see it tragically shattered by a shocking betrayal... And now... Detective Inspector Gemma James' first case as lead Murder Investigator takes her to seemingly respectable, prominent barrister, found dead at a seedy/low rent hotel in Crystal Palace — naked, bound, and strangled. Is his death a sordid accident — or a more sinister murder? Gemma's investigation leads her, and husband, Detective Superintendent Duncan Kincaid into a labyrinth of secrets, murder, truths into the dark corners of the human condition...and truths better left uncovered...

Adam Canfield of the Slash Dec 29 2019 While serving as co-editors of their school newspaper, middle-schoolers Adam and Jennifer uncover fraud and corruption in their school and in the city's government. Jr Lib Guild. Reprint.

When Darkness Comes Feb 29 2020 Jealousy and ambition divide a tribe so much so that it splits into two communities - each of whom has to strive to become self-sufficient. Their failure almost leads to their destruction. It's up to the chief's son and the other children of the tribe to overcome the adults' prejudices and attempt reconciliation. When they are threatened by raiders from a stronger, more skillful race, survival is all. But will the tribes be able to reunite in time?

Pieces and Players Apr 24 2022 When 13 high-value pieces of art are stolen from a secret museum, Calder, Petra and Tommy are grouped with two new companions to solve puzzles that are complicated by the clever Mrs. Sharpe.

Stone Cold Jan 22 2022 A tense, exciting thriller combined with a perceptive and harrowing portrait of life on the streets as a serial killer preys on the young and vulnerable homeless. 17-year-old Link is distrustful of people until he pairs up with Deb, homeless like him. But what Deb doesn't tell him is that she's an ambitious young journalist on a self-imposed assignment to track down the killer and that she's prepared to use herself as bait ... Winner of the Carnegie Medal

The Familiars Apr 12 2021 When Aldwyn, a young alley cat on the run, ducks into a mysterious pet shop, he doesn't expect his life to change. But that's exactly what happens when Jack, a young wizard, picks Aldwyn to be his magical familiar. Finally off the tough streets, Aldwyn thinks he's got it made. He just has to convince the other familiars—the know-it-all blue jay Skylar and the friendly tree frog Gilbert—that he's the telekinetic cat he claims to be. But when Jack and two other wizards in training are captured by a terrible evil, it will take all of Aldwyn's street smarts, a few good friends, and a nose for adventure to save the day!

Represent Sean Rosen Aug 17 2021 Sean Rosen makes funny videos you can watch online. He also has ideas for movies, TV shows, and games that he knows are good enough to be produced by the biggest studios in Hollywood. The only problem is, he's a kid. And he's busy with school. And he lives far from Los Angeles or New York City. But Sean does have a laptop and a phone, and he's smart. He's about to have the ride of a lifetime as he discovers the ins and outs—dos and don'ts—of becoming one of the youngest movie moguls the world's ever known. An inventive, original, and hilarious novel that will leave fans of Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Carl Hiaasen, and Louis Sachar eager for Sean's next adventure.

The Great Wall of Lucy Wu Feb 08 2021 Lucy Wu, aspiring basketball star and interior designer, is on the verge of having the best year of her life. She's ready to rule the school as a sixth grader, go out for captain of the school basketball team, and take over the bedroom she has always shared with her sister. In an instant, though, her plans are shattered when she finds out that Yi Po, her beloved grandmother's sister, is coming to visit for several months -- and is staying in Lucy's room. Lucy's vision of a perfect year begins to crumble, and in its place come an unwelcome roommate, foiled birthday plans, a bully who tries to scare Lucy off the basketball team, and Chinese school with the annoying know-it-all Talent Chang. Lucy's year is ruined -- or is it? A wonderfully funny, warm, and heartfelt tale about the ways life often reveals silver linings in the most unexpected of clouds.

The Mysterious Matter of I. M. Fine Mar 31 2020 Strange things have been happening at Franny's new school. First it was the Jelly Worm Fad. Then came the exploding headaches that kept students home for days. When the latest creepy phenomenon lands her sister in the hospital, Franny and her new friend, Beamer, try to get to the bottom of it. Following a hunch, Franny discovers the one link that all these kids share—they're rabid fans of I. M. Fine, author of the mega-popular Chillers series. But I. M. Fine is nowhere to be found ... or is he? Admirers of Diane Stanley's celebrated nonfiction picture-book biographies and her critically acclaimed novel, A Time Apart, are in for a treat as she shows her playful side in this quirky, fast-paced, and humorous mystery.

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