

2011 Summer Reading Suggestions

Grades 5-8

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she use her diplomatic skills and powers to end the conflict. **RL 5.6**

4. **The Amaranth Enchantment**
Berry, Julie. Orphaned at age five, Lucinda, now fifteen, stands with courage against the man who took everything from her, aided by a thief, a clever goat, and a mysterious woman called the Witch of Amaranth, while the prince she knew as a child prepares to marry, unaware that he, too, is in danger. **RL 6.0**

5. **The Battle for Skandia**
Flanagan, John. After escaping slavery, Evanlyn is taken captive by a Temujai warrior, leaving Will to use his Ranger training to find her, despite being outnumbered by an enemy scouting party and the entire Temujai army. **RL 6.7**

6. **Benjamin Franklstein Lives!** McElligott, Matthew.
While working on a science fair project, a Philadelphia school boy discovers both a secret laboratory in his basement and Benjamin Franklin, who comes to life after receiving a jolt of electricity. **RL 6.6**

7. **The Billionaire's Curse**
Newsome, Richard. Thirteen-year-old Gerald inherits twenty billion pounds, a Caribbean island, a yacht, and three estates from his great-aunt Geraldine, a relative he never knew, but the fortune comes with a letter that informs him Geraldine was murdered and that it is up to him to solve the crime. **RL 6.1**

8. **Black Spiny-Tailed Iguana: Lizard Lightning!** Lunis, Natalie. An introduction to the

black spiny-tailed iguana that provides information on the lizard's physical characteristics, speed, and habitat. **RL 3.7**

9. **The Brimstone Key**. Benz, Derek. The Clockwork King, a Templar foe, is back at Iron Bridge Academy in order to steal the souls of changelings. **RL 6.0**

10. **Building the Great Wall of China: An Isabel Soto History Adventure**.



Collins, Terry. In graphic novel format, follows the adventures of Isabel Soto as she explores the history behind the

building of the Great Wall of China. **RL 3.9**

11. **Chancey of the Maury River**.
Amateau, Gigi. After being abandoned, Chancey, an albino Appaloosa horse, finds a new home with Claire who needs him as much as he needs her, but as his eyesight deteriorates, he and Claire start anew as a therapeutic team. **RL 6.5**

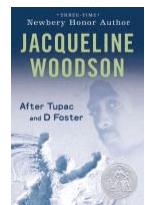
12. **The Clockwork Three**. Kirby, Matthew J. As mysterious circumstances bring Giuseppe, Frederick, and Hannah together, their lives soon interlock like the turning gears in a clock and they realize that each one holds a key to solving the others' mysteries. **RL 6.0**

13. **The Clone Codes**. McKissack, Pat. On the run from a bounty hunter who arrested her mother for being part of a secret society devoted to freeing clones, thirteen-year-old Leanna learns amazing truths about herself and

The following suggestions are taken from lists of award winning and highly recommended books for Grades 5-8.

Check out BCEMS Library or the Aldrich Public Library for these books.

RL = Reading Level

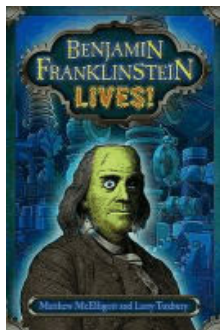


1. **After Tupac and D Foster**. Woodson, Jacqueline. In the New York City borough of Queens in 1996, three girls bond

over their shared love of Tupac Shakur's music, as together they try to make sense of the unpredictable world in which they live. **RL 4.7**

2. **Alex Rider #8: Crocodile Tears**. Horowitz, Anthony. Alex Rider's desire to return to life as a normal high school student must be put aside when he is asked to face his greatest adversary yet, a con man who plans to use genetically modified wheat to release a deadly virus that will kill millions of innocent people. **RL 5.0**

3. **All's Fairy in Love and War**. Roberts, Rachel. Kara falls through a portal into the Fairy Realms while trying to send two goblins back to their own world and lands in the middle of a war, where Queen Selinda appoints her as Fairy Princess and requests that



her family as she is forced to consider the value of freedom and what it really means to be human in 2170 America. **RL 5.0**

14. **Closed for the Season: A Mystery Story.** Hahn, Mary Downing. When thirteen-year-old Logan and his family move into a run-down old house in rural Virginia, he discovers that a woman was murdered there and becomes involved with his neighbor Arthur in a dangerous investigation to try to uncover the killer. **RL 4.3**

15. **Crocodile Safari.** Arnosky, Jim. Presents an adventure that teaches readers about the elusive, once endangered North American crocodile, covering their habitat and behavior and how it is being protected, with maps and a DVD that shows the author's work along the lower Atlantic coastlines. **RL 6.6**

16. **The Crossbones.** Carman, Patrick. Ryan, who records all of his findings in his journal, and Sarah, who uses her video camera to document everything, continue to search for answers surrounding the strange occurrences in Skeleton Creek and soon find themselves in haunted and sinister places beyond their hometown. **RL 4.8**

17. **The Cry of the Loon: A Samantha Mystery.** Steiner, Barbara A. Samantha Parkinson, a compassionate and intelligent girl being raised by her rich grandmother in the early twentieth century, takes her friend Nellie to



Piney Point, Grandmother's

summer home in the Adirondacks, where they find the lodge to be cursed with accidents. **RL 5.3**

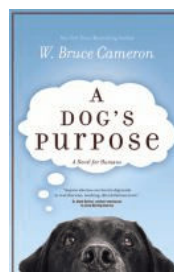
18. **Darkwood.** Breen, M. E. A clever and fearless orphan endures increasing danger while trying to escape from greedy, lawless men and elude the terrifying "kinderstalks"--animals who steal children--before discovering her true destiny. **RL 5.8**

19. **The Day of the Pelican.** Paterson, Katherine. In 1998 when the Kosovo hostilities escalate, thirteen-year-old Meli's life as an ethnic Albanian, changes forever after her brother escapes his Serbian captors and the entire family flees from one refugee camp to another until they are able to immigrate to America. **RL 6.3**

20. **Disney Fairies #2: Tinker Bell and the Wings of Rani.** Papercutz Publishing. Contains five stories that detail adventures with Tinker Bell and her fairy friends, including the featured story which relates how Rani lost her wings to save Never Land. **RL 3.6**

21. **Distant Waves: A Novel of the Titanic.** Weyn, Suzanne. In the early twentieth century, four sisters and their widowed mother, a famed spiritualist, travel from New York to London, and as the Titanic conveys them and their acquaintances, journalist W.T. Stead, scientist Nikola Tesla, and industrialist John Jacob Astor, home, Tesla's inventions will either doom or save them all. **RL YA**

22. **A Dog's Purpose.** Cameron, W. Bruce. This is the remarkable story of one endearing dog's search for his purpose over the course of several lives. More than just another



charming dog story, this touches on the universal quest for an answer to life's most basic question: Why are we here? **RL YA**

23. **Don't Judge a Girl by Her Cover.** Carter, Ally. Cammie Morgan visits her roommate Macey in Boston and the two escape a kidnappers' plot using their espionage skills, and when Macey goes on the campaign trail with her father, the vice-presidential nominee, Cammie and other friends use their spy training as part of the security team. **RL YA**

24. **Doomwyte.** Jacques, Brian. The Redwallers face some of their most dangerous villains yet in a treacherous hunt for long-lost treasure. **RL YA**



25. **The Dragon of Trelian.** Knudsen, Michelle. A mage's apprentice, a princess, and a dragon combine their strength and magic to bring down a traitor and restore peace to the kingdom of Trelian. **RL 5.7**



26. **A Dream Come True.** Lindsay, Elizabeth. Young Annie gets her wish when a magic pony, Ned, appears in her room, but

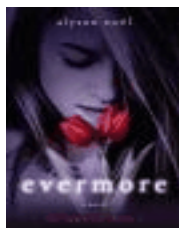
keeping her new pet a secret proves a challenge. **RL 4.6**

27. **Earth: Feeling the Heat.**

Guiberson, Brenda Z. Describes the effects of global warming on animals and habitats around the world, and reinforces that people can help. **RL 4.2**

28. **Evermore.** Noel, Alyson.

Since the car accident that claimed the lives of her family, sixteen-year-old Ever can see auras and hear people's thoughts, and she goes out of her way to hide from other people until she meets Damen, another psychic teenager who is hiding even more mysteries. **RL YA**



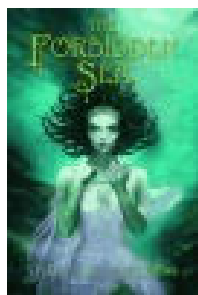
29. **Everything for a Dog.**

Martin, Ann M. In parallel stories, Bone, an orphaned dog, finds and loses a series of homes, Molly, a family pet, helps Charlie through the grief and other after-effects of his brother's death, and lonely Henry pleads for a dog of his own. **RL 5.4**

30. **Forbidden Sea.** Nielson, Sheila A. When a mermaid

attempts to lure her into the sea, fourteen-year-old Adrienne, who lives in a superstitious island community, must choose between the promise of an underwater paradise

and those she loves. **RL 5.2**



31. **Freedom Stone.** Kluger, Jeffrey. With the help of a magical stone from Africa, a thirteen-year-old slave travels to the battle of Vicksburg to clear her father's name and free her family from bondage. **RL 5.8**

32. **Freefall.** Gordon, Roderick. As fourteen-year-old archaeologist Will and his friends



plummet down a subterranean pore, they face deadly creatures and discover a strange fungal shelf, which not only reveals

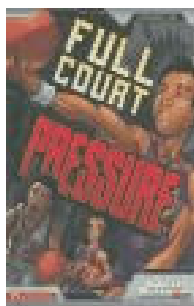
artifacts from ancient civilizations, but clues to a lost land at the end of the Earth. **RL 6.4**

33. **Frognapped.** Sage, Angie.

Barry Wizard's five acrobatic frogs are missing, and Araminta and her best friend Wanda, aided by the spectral Sir Horace, follow the trail to Morris's Water Wonderland, where something fishy is going on. **RL 4.6**

34. **Full Court Pressure.**

Gunderson, Jessica. When star defensive player Zack Fuller's basketball team faces his former team in the state championship game, he not only must play against his best friend, but his current captain refuses to pass the ball to Zack. **RL 2.9**



35. **Galaxy X.** Dixon, Franklin W. Frank and Joe travel to California to determine who is trying to sabotage the new X Games theme park, Galaxy X, but

numerous suspects make it a difficult case to crack. **RL 4.8**

36. **Getting Involved!: A Guide to Hunting and Conservation for Kids!.**

Watkins, Sue. A kid's guide to hunting and conservation, explaining the benefits of hunting, and providing information on waterfowl organizations, 4-H shooting sports, the National Rifle Association, state hotlines to report poaching, and more. **RL 5.7**

37. **The Ghost and Mrs. Hobbs.**

DeFelice, Cynthia C. Hindered by a fight with her friend Dub and a series of mysterious fires, eleven-year-old Allie investigates the fire seventeen years earlier which claimed the lives of the husband and infant son of a school cafeteria worker, as well as the handsome young man whose ghost asks Allie for help. **RL 4.9**

38. **Gilda Joyce: The Dead Drop.**

Allison, Jennifer. Gilda Joyce, a teenage psychic investigator, gets to spend the summer interning for the International Spy Museum in Washington, D.C., where she stumbles onto a national security mystery. **RL 7.0**

39. **The Girl Who Could Fly.**

Forester, Victoria. Piper McCloud's ability to fly sets her apart from the other kids, so her mother sends her to an exclusive school for children with exceptional abilities, but even there she does not fit in with the other students. **RL 6.0**

40. **Gone Missing.** Townsend, John. Examines incidents of

mysterious disappearances from throughout history, discussing the Bermuda Triangle, ships found abandoned and other occurrences of people who have vanished. **RL 5.5**

41. **Great Battles of the Civil War.**

Marsico, Katie.

Photographs and illustrations describe some of the major battles of the Civil War including Fort Sumter and Bull Run, Antietam, and Gettysburg.

RL 6.2

42. **Great Bear Lake.**

Hunter, Erin. Kallik, Lusa, Toklo, and

Ujarak unite and begin their journey to discover what it means to be a bear in the wilderness, and when they gather near a remote lake to learn from their elders, they learn that one of their group is in danger, as not all bears have the best intentions. **RL 5.3**

43. **Guinness World Records,**

2011. Editor: Glenday, Craig.

Presents the biggest, smallest,

fastest, longest, and other record setters for 2010 in such categories as space, human



achievements, sports, entertainment, science, technology, and engineering.

RL YA

44. **Gymnastics.**

Wendorff, Anne. Examines a photographic introduction to gymnastics for beginning readers, explaining

what gymnastics is, reviewing the rules of the sport, and looking at gymnastics gear. **RL 4.9**

45. **Halt's Peril.** Flanagan, John. Tennyson, the false prophet of the



Outsider cult, has escaped and Halt is determined to stop him before he crosses the border into Araluen, but Genovesan assassins

put Will and Halt's extraordinary archery skills to the test. **RL 5.8**

46. **Happenstance Found.**

Catanese, P.W. Twelve-year-old Happenstance wakes up in a cave with no idea how he got there, or who he is, but merchant and royal advisor Lord Umber helps Hap and his two friends escape from the caverns. **RL 6.1**

48. **Incarceron.**

Fisher, Catherine. To free herself from an upcoming arranged marriage, Claudia, the daughter of the Warden of Incarceron, a futuristic prison with a mind of its own, decides to help a young prisoner escape. **RL YA**

47. **International Space Station.**

Baker, David. Offers students an introduction to the International Space Station, describing how it was built, the various components that make up the spacecraft, and its many uses. **RL 6.2**

48. **Into the Gauntlet.**

Haddix, Margaret Peterson. Amy and Dan Cahill face their greatest challenge on their quest to find

the thirty-nine clues, but in order to discover the secrets of their lineage they will have to make a choice that could impact the world's future. **RL 4.7**

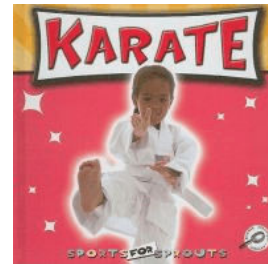
49. **Ironhand.** Fletcher, Charlie. Having upset the balance between the warring statues of London, twelve-year-old George is confronted with new challenges as he tries to free his captured friends Edie and The Gunner from the formidable Walker and deal with the three strange veins of marble, bronze, and stone that have begun to grow out of his hand. **RL YA**

50. **Jake Ransom and the Skull King's Shadow.**

Rollins, James. Connecticut middle-schooler Jake and his older sister Kady are transported by a Mayan artifact to a strange world inhabited by a mix of people from long-lost civilizations who are threatened by prehistoric creatures and an evil alchemist, the Skull King. **RL 5.1**

51. **Karate.**

Karapetkova, Holly. Photographs and simple text introduce young readers to karate, covering what karateists do and wear. **RL 1.4**



52. **Kingdom Keepers III:**

Disney in Shadow. Pearson, Ridley. The Kingdom Keepers, five teens who have been transformed into Holographic Hosts at Florida's Disney World, mount a search for Wayne, their missing Imagineer mentor, and find themselves fighting for their

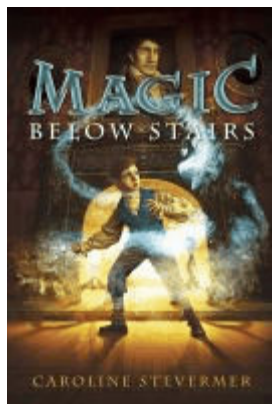
lives in imaginary worlds that have become real. **RL 6.0**

53. **Knight**. Murrell, Deborah Jane. Presents a discussion of knights, covering their lifestyle, training, armor, weaponry, tactics, and participation in life around the castle. **RL 6.3**

54. **The London Eye Mystery**. Dowd, Siobhan. When Ted and Kat's cousin Salim disappears from the London Eye ferris wheel, the two siblings must work together--Ted with his brain that is "wired differently" and impatient Kat--to try to solve the mystery of what happened to Salim. **RL 4.1**

55. **Lone Wolf**. Lasky, Kathryn. Abandoned by his pack, a baby wolf with a mysterious mark on his deformed paw survives and embarks on a journey that will change the world of the wolves of the Beyond. **RL 4.7**

56. **Magic Below Stairs**. Stevermer, Caroline. Ten-year-old Frederick, who is surreptitiously watched over by a



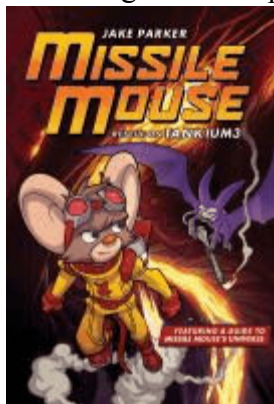
household elf, is plucked from a London orphanage to be a servant to a wealthy wizard, and eventually his

uncanny abilities lead him to become the wizard's apprentice. **RL 5.7**

57. **The Magician's Elephant**. DiCamillo, Kate. When ten-year-

old orphan Peter Augustus Duchene encounters a fortune teller in the marketplace one day who tells him that his sister, who is presumed dead, is in fact alive, he embarks on a remarkable series of adventures in an attempt to find her. **RL 5.8**

58. **Missile Mouse: Rescue on Tankium 3**. Parker, Jake. The evil King Bognarsh hires the Blazing Bat to stop Agent Missile



Mouse, who has been sent by the Galactic Security Agency, along with his new robotic partner Agent 44, to free

Tankium3, a planet that Bognarsh is forcing into slavery **RL 4.3**

59. **Mockingjay**. Collins, Suzanne. Katniss Everdeen, having survived the Hunger Games twice, learns she and her family and friends are in danger because the Capitol holds her responsible for the unrest and races against time to protect those she cares about and the people of District 12. **RL YA**

60. **Mudshark**. Paulsen, Gary. Principal Wagner confidently deals with a faculty washroom crisis, a psychic parrot, and a terrorizing gerbil, but when sixty-five erasers go missing, he enlists the help of the school's best problem solver and lost item locator, twelve-year-old Lyle Williams, also known as Mudshark. **RL 6.5**

61. **MythBusters Science Fair Book**. Margles, Samantha. Contains instructions for science fair projects based on experiments conducted on the "MythBusters" television series in attempts to discover the truth behind popular myths and legends. **RL 6.6**

62. **Notes from the Dog**. Paulsen, Gary. When Johanna shows up at the beginning of summer to house-sit next door to Finn, he has no idea of the profound effect she will have on his life by the time summer vacation is over. **RL 5.1**

63. **Now You See Me**. Mason, Jane B. Best friends Abby and Lena purchase a Polaroid camera from a thrift store, but the girls are troubled when strange things begin to appear in their pictures, including old landmarks that no longer exist and the image of a boy who seems to be moving closer with every picture they take. **RL 6.5**

64. **Pendragon, Before the War: Book Three of the Travelers**. Sorrells, Walter. Gunny Van Dyke races to find a murderer in 1930s Manhattan on First Earth; and Kasha faces challenges on Eelong before Bobby Pendragon arrives. **RL 5.5**

65. **Percy Jackson & the Olympians, Book One. The Lightning Thief: The Graphic Novel**. Venditti, Robert. A graphic novel adaptation of "The Lightning Thief" in which Percy, expelled from six schools for being unable to control his temper, learns the truth from his mother that his father is the Greek god Poseidon, and is sent to Camp Half Blood, a special camp

to prepare him to stop a war among the gods. **RL 4.5**

66. **The Pharaoh's Secret.**

Moss, Marissa. Talibah and her younger brother Adom travel to Egypt with their archaeologist father, where they stumble upon the story of a lost pharaoh, a rare queen who lead Egypt for years but has been erased from history, and try to restore her to her rightful place among the country's ancient rulers. **RL 5.7**

67. **The Princess Plot.**

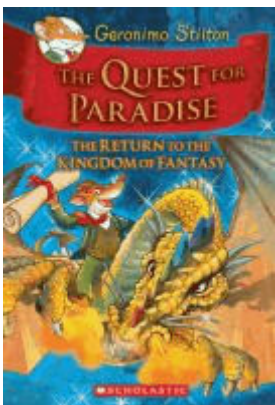
Boie, Kirsten. Believing that she is on a film set after auditioning and winning the role of a princess, fourteen-year-old Jenna becomes the unsuspecting pawn in a royal conspiracy. **RL 5.2**



68. **The Princess Trap.** Boie, Kirsten. Palace rules, boarding school, and paparazzi have Jenna, princess of the newly unified kingdom of Scandia, longing for her former anonymity, but when she runs away she finds herself in grave danger--and in a position to prevent the outbreak of civil war. **RL YA.**

69. **The Quest for Paradise: The Return to the Kingdom of**

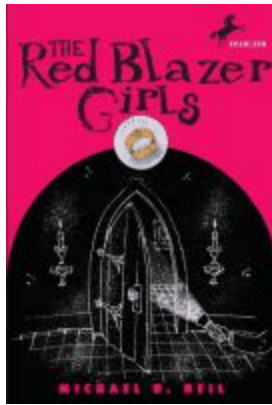
Fantasy
Scholastic Publishers. Invited by the Queen of the Fairies to return to her kingdom and help in the quest



for the true heart of happiness, Geronimo soon finds himself on an adventurous journey riding on the wings of a rainbow-colored dragon through seven fantastic lands. **RL 4.6**

70. **The Red Blazer Girls: The Ring Of Rocamadour**

Beil, Michael. Catholic-schooled seventh-graders Sophie, Margaret, Rebecca, and Leigh Ann help an elderly neighbor solve a puzzle her father left for her estranged daughter twenty years ago. **RL 4.4**



71. **Ring of Fire.** Baccalario, Pierdomenico. Four seemingly unrelated children are brought together in a Rome hotel where they discover that they are destined to become involved in a deep and ancient mystery involving a briefcase full of artifacts that exposes them to great danger. **RL 4.3**

72. **The Ruby Key.** Lisle, Holly. Fourteen-year-old Genna and her twelve-year-old brother Dan learn of their uncle's plot to gain immortality in exchange for human lives; and the two strike their own bargain with the Nightling lord, which sets them on a dangerous journey along the Moonroads in search of a key. **RL 5.6**

73. **The Secret of the Junkyard Shadow.**

Gregory, Kristiana.

Cousins Jeff, David, and Claire find themselves with a mystery to solve when they spot a man hanging around the local dump, and then items start disappearing from homes all over town, only to be returned fixed up and freshly painted. **RL 4.1**

74. **The Secret of Zoom.** Jonell, Lynne. Ten-year-old Christina lives a sheltered life until she discovers a secret tunnel, an evil plot to enslave orphans, and a mysterious source of energy known as zoom. **RL 4.8**

75. **Secrets of the Dragon Sanctuary** Mull, Brandon. When Kendra and Seth go to stay at their grandparents' estate, they discover that it is a sanctuary for magical creatures and that a battle between good and evil is looming. **RL 5.5**

76. **The Shadow of Malabron.** Wharton, Thomas. When Will, a rebellious teen, stumbles from the present into the realm where stories come from, he learns he has a mission concerning the evil Malabron and, aided by some of the story folk, he faces a host of perils while seeking the gateless gate that will take him home. **RL 5.9**

77. **The Shifter.** Hardy, Janice. Nya, a young woman who can take pain from people simply by touching their skin, keeps secret the fact that she can



transfer the pain to others for fear she will be set to work as an assassin, but her hidden talent comes in handy when her sister goes missing and her search reveals dangerous events on her island home. **RL 4.9**

78. Shoot-out: A Comeback

Kids Novel Lupica, Mike.

Twelve-year-old Jake must leave his championship soccer team to play on a team with a losing record when his family moves to a neighboring town. **RL 5.8**

79. Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's: The Adventure of the Dancing Men. Goodwin, Vincent.

Retells, in graphic novel form, the Sherlock Holmes story in which the detective investigates when Mr. Cubitt and his wife become alarmed by strange drawings of dancing men which have been left around their estate. **RL 4.8**

80. The Small Adventure of Popeye and Elvis. O'Connor, Barbara. In Fayette, South Carolina, the highlight of

Popeye's summer is learning vocabulary words with his grandmother until a motor home gets stuck nearby and Elvis, the oldest boy

living inside, joins Popeye in finding the source of strange boats floating down the creek. **RL 5.5**

81. Snowy Owls: Hunters of the Snow and Ice. Landau, Elaine

Provides information about snowy owls, covering topics such as habitat, eating habits, mating, physical characteristics, and conservation. **RL 3.5**

82. The Society of Unrelenting Vigilance. Dakin, Glenn.

Thirteen-year-old Theo, who has lived in seclusion his entire life, discovers he is the descendant of the Candle Man, a Victorian vigilante with the ability to melt criminals with a single touch. **RL 6.4**

83. The Stone Child. Poblocki, Dan. When friends Eddie, Harris, and Maggie discover that the



scary adventures in their favorite author's fictional books come true, they must find a way to close the portal that allows evil creatures and witches to

enter their hometown of Gatesweed. **RL 5.2**

84. Storm Warning. Park, Linda Sue. Amy and Dan Cahill continue to hunt for clues while reeling from the knowledge of what happened the night their parents died, and they wonder if the end is near as they try to learn the secret behind Grace Cahill's alternate will. **RL 4.7**

85. Super Bowl Super Teams Gigliotti, Jim. A collection of photographs, facts, and team and player profiles from throughout the history of the Super Bowl. **RL 5.2**

86. Swan Fake. Gold, Maya Diana's friend Amelia is set to dance in a ballet performance of "The Nutcracker," but when she needs someone to take her place for part of the performance, Diana steps in, except her dancing skills are not quite what they ought to be. **RL 4.6**

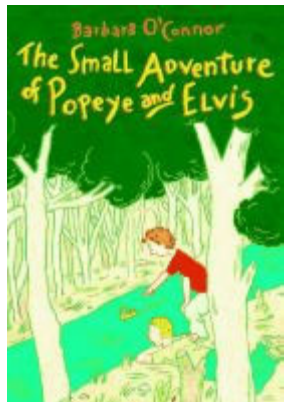
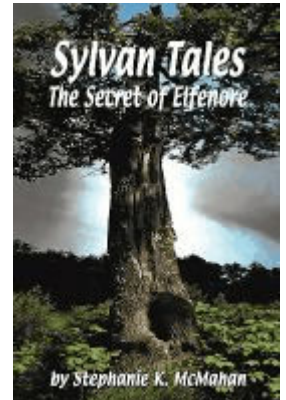
87. Sylvan Tales: The Secret of Elfenore. McMahan, Stephanie. The Prophecy of Scrolls predicted that Katherine would come to Kingdom of Elfenore. A Dark Cloud is forming over the mountains and it is moving closer. Katherine must find the courage and

strength to help the elves fight the evil that threatens their peaceful existence. They must

protect the Secret of Elfenore at all costs. Can Katherine and the elves fight the Dark Cloud. Will their efforts be enough to save the kingdom? Come along on the adventure of a lifetime. It's an adventure you'll never forget. **RL 5.5**

88. Tentacles. Smith, Roland.

After the mysterious disappearance of their parents, Marty and Grace go to live with their scientist uncle and accompany him on, what soon becomes an increasingly dangerous expedition to New Zealand to track a giant squid. **RL 6**

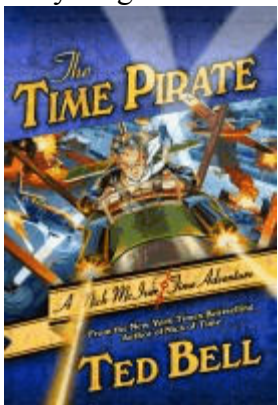


89. **The Sarah Stone.** Couture, Kathy. Sixteen-year-old Sara Findlay has no idea why their latest move has brought them to Barre, Vermont. She has learned not to ask too many questions of her mother, who she suspects harbors more secrets than Area 51. When Sara discovers the gravestone of Sarah Spencer in Elmwood Cemetery, her mysterious past catches up with her in a surprising way. **RL 5**

90. **Theodore Boone: Kid Lawyer.** Grisham, John. Thirteen-year-old Theodore Boone, who knows every judge, police officer, and court clerk in the small town of Strattenburg, finds himself involved in a murder trial because of knowledge he might have about a cold-blooded killer. **RL 5.4**

91. **The Time Pirate: A Nick McIver Time Adventure.** Bell, Ted. Unwilling to let the Germans occupy his islands unopposed, young Nick takes to the skies in a

restored WWI fighter plane. Determined to learn to fly, he is soon photographing German patrol boats by day and flying by night. **RL 5**



92. **Tinker Bell and the Lost Treasure: The Junior Novelization.** Morris, Kimberly. Tinker Bell, having broken the moonstone for the scepter she was supposed to make to commemorate the blue harvest moon, has an adventure full of danger and surprises while trying to find the Mirror of Incanta which can fix it. **RL 6**

93. **The Traitors' Gate.** Avi. When his father is arrested as a debtor in 1849 London, fourteen-year-old John Huffman must take on unexpected responsibilities, from asking a distant relative for help to determining why people are spying on him and his family. **RL 5.5**

94. **Umbrella Summer.** Graff, Lisa. After her brother Jared dies ten-year-old Annie worries about the hidden dangers of everything, from bug bites to bicycle riding, until she is befriended by a new neighbor who is grieving her own loss. **RL 4.6**

95. **Voices of the Civil War: Stories from the Battlefields.** Nemeth, Jason. Describes the experiences of some of those who lived through the Civil War. **RL 5.1**

96. **The Wild Water Mystery at Niagara Falls.** Marsh, Carole. Christina and Grant, while on a trip with their grandparents to

Niagara Falls, discover mysterious barrels tumbling down from the falls. **RL 5**

97. **Wolven.** Toft, Di. Twelve-year-old Nat, with help from family, friends, and his "pet" Woody, a wolf that turns into a boy, must face werewolves that have been altered as part of a dastardly plan. **RL 6**



98. **Woods Runner.** Paulsen, Gary. From his 1776 Pennsylvania homestead, thirteen-year-old Samuel, who is a highly-skilled woodsman, sets out toward New York City to rescue his parents from the band of British soldiers and Native Americans who kidnapped them after slaughtering most of their community. Includes historical notes. **RL 5.1**

99. **Wretched Ruins.** Stern, Steven L. Photographs and text describe eleven ruins from around the world, including a royal burial ground in Ur, Iraq, Machu Picchu, Peru, and Stonehenge in England, and recounts the stories behind them. **RL 5.8**