

## Action and Adventure Books for Kids

### Chapter Books

***The Astounding Broccoli Boy*** · Cottrell, Boyce · 316 pages

**Find It: J COT**

“Rory Rooney likes to be prepared for anything, but when he inexplicably turns green and finds himself in an experimental hospital ward with his nemesis, school bully Tommy-Lee "Grim" Komissky, everyone is baffled but Rory believes he and Grim have become superheroes.”

***Battle Bugs Series*** · Patton, Jack

**Find It: J SER BAT**

“Bug Island is under attack! The lizard army is invading and the Battle Bugs are losing. Their only hope against the intruders is a strange creature they’ve never seen before-- a human being named Max. Max doesn’t know how he ended up on Bug Island--but he does know the Battle Bugs need his help!” -From amazon.com

***Bringing Down the Mouse*** · Mezrich, Ben · 326 pages

**Find It: J MEZ**

“A mathematically gifted sixth-grader is recruited by a group of students to game the system at the biggest theme park in the world--and win the big prize.”

***Dactyl Hill Squad*** · Older, Daniel Jose · 256 pages

**Find It: J OLD**

Magdalys Roca receives a letter telling her that her brother has been wounded in the civil war between dinosaur armies. She must reach him and may need her ability to communicate telepathically with other dinosaurs.

***Darkstalker*** · Sutherland, Tui · 366 pages

**Find It: J SUT**

Darkstalker’s anger threatens to destroy all of the kingdoms.

***The Doldrums*** · Gannon, Nicholas · 340 pages

**Find It: J GAN**

A story about friendship, imagination, and the yearning for adventure.

***The Door in the Alley*** · Kress, Adrienne · 305 pages

**Find It: J KRE**

A pig-in-a-teeny-hat story that starts when a very uninquisitive boy stumbles upon a very mysterious society. After that, there is danger and adventure; there are missing persons, hired thugs, a hidden box, a lost map, and famous explorers; and there is a girl looking for help that only uninquisitive boys can offer.

***The Dragon Lantern: A League of Seven Novel*** · Gratz, Alan · 333 pages

**Find It: J GRA**

A group of heroes who come together to fight the Mangleborn whenever the monsters arise to destroy humanity.

***Ever Afters Series*** · Bach, Shelby

**Find It: J SER EVE**

“When Rory realizes fairy tales are the real deal at Ever After School, she embarks on a classic quest to fulfill her destiny in this ‘fast-paced combination of middle school realism and fairy-tale fantasy.’” – From Kirkus Reviews and amazon.com

***Firefly Hollow*** · McGhee, Allison

**Find It: J MCG**

“Because their dreams of daring adventures go against the cautious teachings of their nations, Firefly and Cricket set out on their own, find a home with kindly Vole, and together help a grieving "miniature giant" named Peter.”

***Genius Files Series*** · Gutman, Dan · 251 pages

**Find It: J SER GEN**

"Tween twins Coke and Pepsi McDonald have finally reached the last leg of their wacky and dangerous cross-country road trip, but they must fend off a host of strange assassins before they reach their home in California"-- Provided by publisher.

***The Girl Who Drank the Moon*** · Barnhill, Kelly Regan · 386 pages

**Find It: J BAR**

A coming-of-age fairy tale.

**Kingdom of Fantasy Series** · Stilton, Geronimo · 310 pages

**Find It: J SER GER KIN**

Geronimo knew from the start that it was no ordinary day, but he certainly didn't expect to find a golden staircase in my attic. Up at the top, there was a door. And beyond the door was a world Geronimo never could have imagined -- the Kingdom of Fantasy! Along with his guide, a frog named Scribblehopper, Geronimo set off on an incredible adventure to save the Queen of the Fairies. But along the way, he had to face giant scorpions, witches, sea serpents, pixies, and dozens of other creatures that he had only ever heard stories about. Holy cheese, what a journey! Could he save the Queen? – From amazon.com

**The Lincoln Project** · Gutman, Dan · 224 pages

**Find It: J GUT**

“Four very different kids are picked by a mysterious billionaire to travel through time and photograph some of history's most important events. This time, the four friends are headed to 1863 to catch Abraham Lincoln delivering his famous Gettysburg Address. They'll have to work together to ask the right questions, meet the right people, and capture the right moment. And most important, not get caught!”

**Magic Thief Series** · Prineas, Sarah

**Find It: J SER MAG**

In a city that runs on a dwindling supply of magic, a young boy is drawn into a life of wizardry and adventure. Conn should have dropped dead the day he picked Nevery's pocket and touched the wizard's locus magicalicus, a stone used to focus magic and work spells. But for some reason he did not. Nevery finds that interesting, and he takes Conn as his apprentice on the provision that the boy find a locus stone of his own. But Conn has little time to search for his stone between wizard lessons and helping Nevery discover who—or what—is stealing the city of Wellmet's magic. – From amazon.com

**Magisterium Series** · Black, Holly

**Find It: J SER MAG**

“Most kids would do anything to pass the Iron Trial. Not Callum Hunt. He wants to fail. All his life, Call has been warned by his father to stay away from magic. If he succeeds at the Iron Trial and is admitted into the Magisterium, he is sure it can only mean bad things for him. So he tries his best to do his worst - and fails at failing. Now the Magisterium awaits him. It's a place that's both sensational and sinister, with dark ties to his past and a twisty path to his future. The Iron Trial is just the beginning, for the biggest test is still to come...” – From amazon.com

**The Marvels** · Selznick, Brian · 665 pages

**Find It: J SEL**

“In 1766, a boy, Billy Marvel, is shipwrecked, rescued, and goes on to found a brilliant family of actors that flourishes in London until 1900--and nearly a century later, Joseph Jervis, runs away from home, seeking refuge with his uncle in London, and is captivated by the Marvel house, with its portraits and ghostly presences.”

**Mutant Bunny Island** · Skye, Obert · 200 pages

**Find It: J SKY**

Ten-year-old Perry Owens must travel to Bunny Island to rescue his uncle Zeke who has been kidnapped by evil newts.

**Mystery of Herobrine Series** · Cheverton, Mark

**Find It: J SER MIN HER**

“Gameknight999 was sucked into the world of Minecraft when one of his father's inventions went haywire. Trapped inside the game, the former griefer learned the error of his ways. He transformed into a heroic warrior and defeated powerful endermen, ghastrs, and dragons to save the world of Minecraft and his NPC friends that live in it. Gameknight swore that he'd never go inside Minecraft again. But when his little sister, Monet113, accidentally enters the game herself, the User-that-is-not-a-user has no choice but to return to a digital world where very real danger lies around every corner. With the help of some old friends such as Crafter, Hunter, and Stitcher, as well as a few unexpected new ones, Gameknight will journey deep into a zombie village and face Xa-Tul, the powerful zombie king crafted by a shadowy figure with bright glowing eyes and a hatred for Gameknight999. To save his sister, Gameknight will have to learn a few new tricks if he has any chance of defeating this monstrous creature.” – From goodreads.com

**Never Girls Series** · Thorpe, Kiki · 117 pages

**Find It: J SER NEV**

“In a blink of an eye, four best friends all get their biggest wish—they're whisked off to Never Land, home to Tinker Bell and her fairy friends.” – From amazon.com

**Rescue on the Oregon Trail** · Messner, Kate · 125 pages

**Find It: J MES**

“Ranger, a golden retriever, could have been a great search-and-rescue-dog except for the squirrels--but one day he unearths a mysterious box and finds himself transported back to the year 1850 where his faithful service is really needed by a family traveling west along the Oregon Trail.”

**Rocket and Groot: Keep on Truckin’** · Angleberger, Tom · 267 pages

**Find It: J ANG**

Rocket and Groot continue their journey across the cosmos.

**The Serpent’s Secret** · DasGupta, Sayantani · 338 pages

**Find It: J DAS**

“When her parents disappear and a demon appears in her kitchen, Kiranmala, who believed herself to be an ordinary sixth-grader, finds herself in another dimension where there is magic, winged horses, and talking birds.”

**Shivers: The Pirate Who’s Afraid of Everything** · Bondor-Stone, Annabeth · 178 pages

**Find It: J BON**

Shivers battles a giant squid, discovers hidden treasures, and gets pooped on by a pigeon to save his parents from the clutches of evil.

**The Sign of the Cat** · Jonell, Lynne. 358 pages

**Find It: J JON**

“Duncan, eleven, is very smart--with the rare ability to speak Cat--but his mother has always insisted he appear only average, and when a perfect test score draws attention to him, he not only discovers the wisdom of his mother's rules, he finds himself crossing the seas on a quest for his true identity.”

## Graphic Novels

**5 Worlds, Book 1, The Sand Warrior** · Siegel, Mark · 248 pages

**Find It: J GN FIV V.1**

“Five imperiled worlds will be rendered extinct unless five ancient and mysterious beacons can be lit in the wake of erupting wars during which three unlikely heroes make surprising discoveries about their homes and themselves.”

**The City on the Other Side** · Scott, Mairghread · 209 pages

**Find It: J GN CIT**

Isabel has been sheltered in a high-society world. All that changes when she breaches an invisible barrier and steps into a magical and dangerous city where war rages between the fairies of the Seelie and Unseelie Courts.

**Fruit Ninja: Frenzy Force** · Owen, Erich · 78 pages

**Find It: J GN FRU**

Four fruit ninjas use a juice stand as a front for their crime-fighting missions. The ninjas grow to learn that it is what makes you unique (and even a little bit weird) that ultimately makes you strong.

**The Mystery of the Pirate Ship** · Stilton, Geronimo · 50 pages

**Find It: J GN GER**

It's up to Geronimo Stilton must travel through time, become a sailor, and stop the Pirate Cats from changing history forever!

**Peter and Ernesto: A Tale of Two Sloths** · Annable, Graham · 719 pages

**Find It: J GN PET**

Will a separation tear these best friends apart or bring them closer together?

**Space Dumplins** · Thompson, Craig · 310 pages

**Find It: J GN SPA**

Violet Marlocke and a group of friends must find Violet’s father who has been swallowed by a giant plant-eating whale.