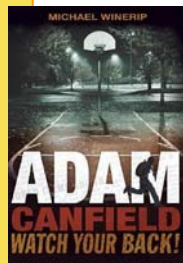


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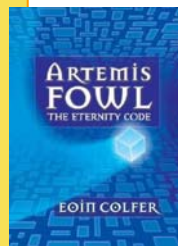
## FICTION

***Adam Canfield, Watch Your Back*, by Michael Winerip.** A snow day turns into an embarrassing nightmare for Adam when, after being mugged by bullies, he becomes the focus of media attention.



***Agnes Parker—Keeping Cool in Middle School*, by Kathleen O'Dell.** Agnes Parker tries to keep a low profile in middle school, but her best friend's problems, eighth-grade boys, and a friendship with a boy in her art class make it difficult.

***Artemis Fowl*, by Eoin Colfer.** A twelve-year-old genius tries to restore his family fortune by capturing a fairy and demanding a ransom in gold.



***Baseball Great*, by Tim Green.** All Josh wants to do is play baseball but when his father signs him up for a youth championship team, Josh finds himself in a situation with potentially illegal consequences.

***Becoming Naomi Leon*, by Pam Munoz Ryan.** When Naomi's absent mother resurfaces to claim her, Naomi runs away to Mexico in search of her father.

***The Doom Machine*, by Mark Teague.** When a spaceship lands in the small town of Vern Hollow in 1956, Jack and Isadora form must keep a group of extraterrestrials from stealing Uncle Bud's space travel machine.



***The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate*, by Jacqueline Kelly.** Eleven-year-old Calpurnia Virginia Tate and her curmudgeonly grandfather bond on a Texas plantation over their interest in science.

***Gods of Manhattan*, by Scott Mebus.** Rory uncovers a world alongside contemporary New York City, filled with creatures and people from the city's past who have become gods and goddesses and who have chosen him to perform a dangerous mission.



***I am Not Joey Pigza*, by Jack Gantos.** Joey's father returns and swears that once Joey and his mother change their names and help fix up an old diner, their lives will change for the better.

***The Magician's Elephant*, by Kate DiCamillo.** When orphan Peter Augustus Duchene encounters a fortune teller who tells him that his sister, long thought dead, is alive, he embarks on a remarkable series of adventures in an attempt to find her.



***Millicent Min, Girl Genius*, by Lisa Yee.** Millicent Min records her struggles to learn to play volleyball, tutor her enemy, deal with her grandmother's departure, and make friends all in one summer.

***Mudshark*, by Gary Paulsen.** When 65 erasers go missing, Principal Wagner enlists the help of the school's best problem solver and lost item locator, twelve-year-old Lyle Williams, also known as Mudshark.



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***Peeled*, by Joan Bauer.** In a New York farming community, high school reporter Hildy Biddle investigates a house rumored to be haunted.

***The Red Pyramid*, by Rick Riordan.**

Dr. Julius Kane accidentally unleashes an Egyptian god who banishes him to oblivion and forces his children to embark on a dangerous journey.

***Return to Sender*, by Julia Alvarez.**

When Tyler befriends the daughter of a migrant Mexican worker who may not be in the country legally, he realizes that real friendship knows no borders.

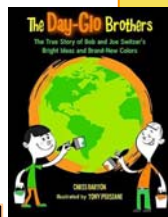
***The Rock and the River*, by Kekla**

**Magoon.** Seeing the injustice in his Chicago neighborhood after Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. is killed, Sam Childs knows he can't be patient like his Civil Rights leader father nor join the Black Panthers like his brother: he must struggle to be his own man.

***Savvy*, by Ingrid Law.** The adventures of Mibs Beaumont and her magical powers.

***Sideway Stories from Wayside School*, by Louis Sachar.** Stories from the classroom on the 30th floor of Wayside School.

***Where the Mountain Meets the Moon*, by Grade Lin.** Minli buys a magical goldfish and joins a dragon on a quest to find the Old Man of the Moon in hopes of bringing life to Fruitless Mountain and freshness to Jade River.



NONFICTION/BIOGRAPHY

***The Day-Glo Brothers: The True Story of Bob and Joe Switzer's Bright Ideas and Brand-New Colors*, by Chris Barton.**

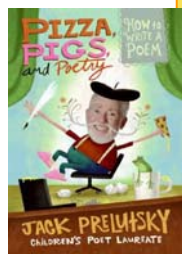


***Eat This, Not That! for Kids!*, by David Zinczenko.** This guide offers detailed analysis and nutritional tips on thousands of the most popular food choices for kids.

***Heart to Heart: New Poems Inspired by Twentieth-Century Art*, ed. by Jan Greenberg.** A collection of poems by Americans writing about American art in the twentieth century.

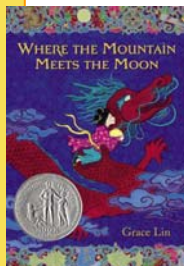


***Mr. Lincoln's High-Tech War: How the North Used the Telegraph, Railroads, Surveillance Balloons, Ironclads, High-Powered Weapons, and More to Win the Civil War*, by Thomas B. Allen & Roger MacBride Allen.**



***Pizza, Pigs, and Poetry. How to Write a Poem*, by Jack Prelutsky.** Provides tips on how to write a poem, poetry exercises, ideas, projects, and pointers for the classroom.

***River of Dreams: The Story of the Hudson River*, by Talbott Hudson.** Reveals how the Hudson has played a key role in America's history.



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