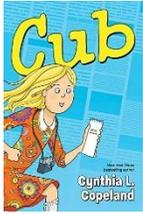


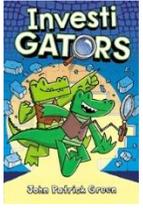
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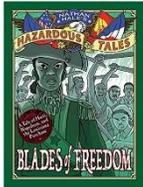
Cub by Cynthia Copeland

Twelve-year-old Cindy has just dipped a toe into seventh-grade drama--with its complicated friendships, bullies, and cute boys--when she earns an internship as a cub reporter at a local newspaper in the early 1970s. A (rare) young female reporter takes Cindy under her wing and teaches her about being brave, standing up for yourself and finding the truth.



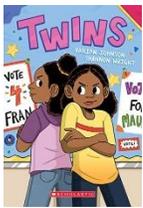
InvestiGATORS by John Patrick Green

With their very exciting spy technology and their tried-and-true, toilet-based travel techniques, the InvestiGators are undercover and on the case! And on their first mission together, they have not one but two mysteries to solve! Can Mango and Brash uncover the clues, crack their cases, and corral the crooks--or will the criminals wriggle out of their grasp? First in a series.



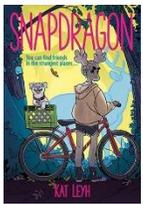
Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales: Blades of Freedom by Nathan Hale

Presents the story of the Haitian Revolution and its role in Napoleon's decision to sell Thomas Jefferson and James Monroe the whole Louisiana Territory, when they sought to buy only New Orleans. Part of a series.



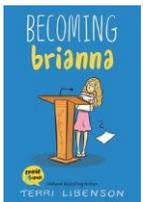
Twins by Varian Johnson

Maureen and Francine Carter are twins and best friends. They participate in everything together. But just before the girls start sixth grade, Francine becomes Fran -- a girl who wants to join the chorus, run for class president, and dress in fashionable outfits that set her apart from Maureen. Are sisters really forever? Or will middle school change things for good?



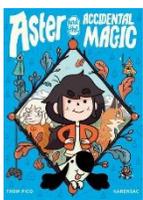
Snapdragon by Kat Leyh

Snap's town had a witch. But in reality, Jacks is just an old lady who sells roadkill skeletons online--after doing a little ritual to put their spirits to rest. It's creepy, but Snap thinks it's kind of cool, too. They make a deal: Jacks will teach Snap how to take care of the baby opossums that Snap rescued, and Snap will help Jacks with her work. But as Snap starts to get to know Jacks, she realizes that Jacks may in fact have real magic--and a connection with Snap's family's past.



Becoming Brianna by Terri Libenson

Everyone knows how much brainy Bri likes the spotlight (not). So why did she ever agree to something that forces her to learn a new language, give a speech, help organize a party, and juggle drama at school and home?! As the big event inches closer, Bri wonders if it's all worth it... Part of a series.



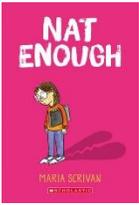
Aster and the Accidental Magic by Tom Pico

Aster is bored at her new home in the mountains in the middle of nowhere--until she meets an odd old shepherdess and her woolly dogs, a sneaky genie, and an angry fox.



Lightfall: The Girl & the Galdurian by Tim Probert

The Pig Wizard and his adopted granddaughter Bea are peaceful keepers of the Endless Flame. All that changes one day when, Bea meets Cad, a member of the Galdurians, an ancient race thought to be long-extinct. Cad believes that if anyone can help him find his missing people, it's the Pig Wizard. But when the Pig Wizard goes missing, can these two unexpected friends find him and prevent eternal darkness from blanketing their world? First in a series.



Nat Enough by Maria Scrivan

Natalie has never felt that she's enough -- athletic enough, stylish enough, or talented enough. And on the first day of middle school, Natalie discovers that things are worse than she thought -- now she's not even cool enough for her best friend, Lily! As Natalie tries to get her best friend back, she learns more about her true self and natural talents.



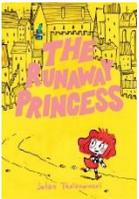
Doodleville by Chad Sell

Drew is just a regular artist. But there's nothing ordinary about her art. Her doodles are mischievous . . . and rarely do they stay in Doodleville, the world she's created in her sketchbook. Instead, Drew's doodles prefer to explore the world outside, including Levi—a monster doodle causing havoc. Can Drew and her friends tame Levi before he causes too much damage?



Pizza and Taco: Who's the Best? by Stephen Shaskan

Best friends Pizza and Taco agree on nearly everything until Pizza declares himself the best of all, leading to debating, voting, competing, and finally defining what being the best really means.



The Runaway Princess by Johan Troianowski

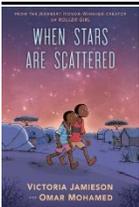
Adventures await when Robin (bored of princess-ing all the time) embarks on the best adventure of her life--meeting friends along the way as she travels through the magical landscape of her country. But her parents aren't so pleased--and they're coming to find her and bring her back to the castle, no matter how she feels about it!



Séance Tea Party by Reimena Yee

After watching her circle of friends seemingly fade away, Lora is determined to still have fun on her own, so when a tea party leads Lora to discovering Alexa, the ghost that haunts her house, they soon become best friends.

Non-Fiction:



When Stars are Scattered by Victoria Jamieson and Omar Mohamed

Omar and his younger brother Hassan live in a refugee camp, and when an opportunity for Omar to get an education comes along, he must decide between going to school every day or caring for his nonverbal brother in this intimate and touching portrayal of family and daily life in a refugee camp in this biographical story.



Science Comics: Crows: Genius Birds by Kyla Vanderklugt

Did you know that crows make their own tools, lead complex social lives, and never forget a human face? Scientists are just beginning to unlock the secrets of the crow's brain to discover how these avian Einsteins can be as smart as some primates, and even perform some of the same cognitive feats as human children! Crows have problem-solving skills that will make you rethink what it means to be a bird brain!