

Graphic Novels

Bone: Out of Boneville by Smith YA SmitJ

The *Bone* adventures tell the story of a young bone boy, Fone Bone, and his two cousins, Phoney Bone and Smiley Bone, who are banned from their homeland of Boneville. When the cousins find themselves mysteriously trapped in a wonderful but often terrifying land filled with secrets and danger - and special new friendships - they are soon caught up in adventures beyond their wildest dreams.

Zeus: King of the Gods by O'Connor YA O'ConG

O'Connor's vibrant, kinetic art brings ancient tales to undeniable life, in a perfect fusion of super-hero aesthetics and ancient Greek mythology. Volume 1 of OLYMPIANS, ZEUS: King OF THE GODS, introduces readers to the ruler of the Olympian Pantheon, telling his story from his boyhood to his ascendance to supreme power.

The Arrival by Tan YA TanS

In this wordless graphic novel, a man leaves his homeland and sets off for a new country, where he must build a new life for himself and his family.

The Singing Bones by Tan YA TanS

Inspired by Grimms' fairy tales. Wicked stepmothers, traitorous brothers, cunning foxes, lonely princesses: There is no mistaking the world of the Brothers Grimm and the beloved fairy tales that have captured generations of readers. Now internationally acclaimed artist Shaun Tan shows us the beautiful, terrifying, amusing, and downright peculiar heart of these tales as never before seen.

Sisters by Telgemeier YA TelgR

Raina uses her signature humor and charm in both present-day narrative and perfectly placed flashbacks to tell the story of her relationship with her sister, which unfolds during the course of a road trip from their home in San Francisco to a family reunion in Colorado.

Smile by Telgemeier YA TelgR

Raina just wants to be a normal sixth grader. But one night after Girl Scouts she trips and falls, severely injuring her two front teeth. What follows is a long and frustrating journey with on-again, off-again braces, surgery, embarrassing headgear, and even a retainer with fake teeth attached. And on top of all that, there's still more to deal with: a major earthquake, boy confusion, and friends who turn out to be not so friendly.

Star Wars: The Force Awakens by Wendig YA WendC

It's been three decades since the Rebel Alliance destroyed the Death Star and toppled the Galactic Empire — but now, on the remote planet Jakku, there is a stirring in the Force. A young scavenger named Rey...a deserting Stormtrooper named Finn...an ace pilot named Poe...and a dark apprentice named Kylo Ren... Their lives are about to collide as the awakening begins.

Malice by Chris Wooding YA WoodC

Three kids get trapped in the world of a deadly comic book in this middle-grade thriller from Chris Wooding.



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The Girl Who Drank the Moon by Barnhill **YA BarnK**

Once a year in the Protectorate there is a Day of Sacrifice. The youngest baby is taken by the Elders and left in the forest to die, thus appeasing the witch who threatens to destroy the village. Unbeknownst to the people, Xan, the witch of the forest, is kind and compassionate. When she discovers the first baby left as a sacrifice, she has no idea why it has been abandoned. She rescues the infants, feeds each one starlight, and delivers the shining infants to parents in the Outside Cities who love and care for them. On one occasion, Xan accidentally feeds a baby moonlight along with starlight, filling her with glowing magic.

Artemis Fowl by Colfer **YA ColfE**

When a twelve-year-old evil genius tries to restore his family fortune by capturing a fairy and a ransom in gold, the fairies fight back with magic, technology, and a particularly nasty troll. **First in a series.**

The Watsons Go To Birmingham by Curtis **YA CurtC**

The Watsons Go to Birmingham—1963 tells the story of 10-year-old Kenny and his family, the Weird Watsons of Flint, Michigan, and their unforgettable journey that leads them into one of the darkest moments in American history. It is by turns a hilarious, touching, and tragic story about civil rights and the impact of violence on one family.

Maze Runner by Dashner **YA DashJ**

Sixteen-year-old Thomas wakes up with no memory in the middle of a maze and realizes he must work with the community in which he finds himself if he is to escape.

The Ruins of Gorlan by Flannagan **YA FlaJ**

Will hopes to become a knight; instead, he winds up as an apprentice to the mysterious head Ranger, joining the secretive corps that uses stealth, woodcraft, and courage to protect the kingdom. **First in a series.**

Inkheart by Funke **YA FunkC**

One cruel night, Meggie's father reads aloud from a book called *Inkheart*—and an evil ruler escapes the boundaries of fiction and lands in their living room. Suddenly, Meggie is in the middle of the kind of adventure she has only read about, and must learn to harness the magic that has conjured this nightmare. For only she can change the course of the story that has changed her life forever.

Wonder by Palacio **YA PalaR**

Ten-year-old Auggie Pullman, who was born with extreme facial abnormalities and was not expected to survive, goes from being home-schooled to entering fifth grade at a private middle school in Manhattan, which entails enduring the taunting and fear of his classmates as he struggles to be seen as just another student.

Otherworld by Segel **YA SegeJ**

After the newest set of virtual reality gear hits the market, Simon can't wait to test it out. But, when his friend Katherine suddenly disappears after being seen with men from the same gaming company, Simon must decide how far in the game he will go. **First in a series.**

Mysterious Benedict Society by Stewart **YA StewL**

After passing a series of mind-bending tests, four children are selected for a secret mission that requires them to go undercover at the Learning Institute for the Very Enlightened.

Skink No Surrender by Hiaasen **YA HiaaC**

When your cousin goes missing under suspicious circumstances, who do you call? There's only one man for the job: a half-crazed, half-feral, one-eyed ex-governor named Skink. Skink joins 14-year-old Richard on a breakneck chase across Florida, undaunted by lightning storms, poisonous snakes, flying bullets, and giant gators. There are a million places cousin Malley could be, a million unpleasant fates that might have befallen her, but one thing is certain: in the Florida swamp, justice is best served wild.

Under a Painted Sky by Lee **YA LeeS**

Missouri, 1849: Samantha dreams of moving back to New York to be a professional musician—not an easy thing if you're a girl, and harder still if you're Chinese. But a tragic accident dashes any hopes of fulfilling her dream, and instead, leaves her fearing for her life. With the help of a runaway slave named Annamae, Samantha flees town for the unknown frontier. But life on the Oregon Trail is unsafe for two girls, so they disguise themselves as Sammy and Andy, two boys headed for the California gold rush.

A Wrinkle in Time by L'Engle **YA L'EngM**

Everyone in town thinks Meg is volatile and dull-witted, that her younger brother Charles Wallace is dumb, and that their father has run off and left their brilliant scientist mother. Spurred on by these rumors, Meg and Charles Wallace, along with their new friend Calvin, embark on a perilous quest through space to find their father. In doing so they must travel behind the shadow of an evil power that is darkening the cosmos, one planet at a time.

I Am Number Four by Lore **YA LoreP**

In rural Ohio, friendships and a beautiful girl prove distracting to a fifteen-year-old who has hidden on Earth for ten years waiting to develop the Legacies, or powers, he will need to rejoin the other six surviving Garde members and fight the Mogadorians who destroyed their planet, Lorien.

The Giver by Lowry **YA LowrL**

The Giver, the 1994 Newbery Medal winner, has become one of the most influential novels of our time. The haunting story centers on twelve-year-old Jonas, who lives in a seemingly ideal, if colorless, world of conformity and contentment. Not until he is given his life assignment as the Receiver of Memory does he begin to understand the dark, complex secrets behind his fragile community.

Woods Runner by Paulsen **YA PaulG**

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 Indians who kidnapped them after slaughtering most of their community. Includes historical notes.

Booked by Alexander **YA AlexK**

Twelve-year-old Nick loves soccer and hates books, but soon learns the power of words as he wrestles with problems at home, stands up to a bully, and tries to impress the girl of his dreams.

The Invention of Hugo Cabret by Selznick **YA SelzB**

Orphan, clock keeper, and thief, Hugo lives in the walls of a busy Paris train station, where his survival depends on secrets and anonymity. But when his world suddenly interlocks with an eccentric, bookish girl and a bitter old man who runs a toy booth in the station, Hugo's undercover life, and his most precious secret, are put in jeopardy. A drawing, a notebook, a stolen key, a mechanical man, and a message from Hugo's father form this mystery.

Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children **YA RiggR**

A family tragedy lands Jacob on a remote island, where he discovers the crumbling ruins of Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children. It becomes clear that the children were more than just peculiar—they may have been dangerous. And somehow—impossible though it seems—they may still be alive. Told with a mix of print and eerie photographs.

The Lightning Thief by Riordan **YA RiorP**

Twelve-year-old Percy Jackson learns he is a demigod, the son of a mortal woman and Poseidon, god of the sea. His mother sends him to a summer camp for demigods where he and his new friends set out on a quest to prevent a war between the gods. The first book in the Percy Jackson series.

Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone by Rowling **YA RowlJ**

When Harry is summoned to attend an infamous school for wizards, and he begins to discover some clues about his illustrious birthright. From the surprising way he is greeted by a lovable giant, to the unique curriculum and colorful faculty at his unusual school, Harry finds himself drawn deep inside a mystical world he never knew existed and closer to his own noble destiny.

Warcross by Lu **YA LuM**

For the millions who log in every day, Warcross isn't just a game—it's a way of life. When teenage coder Emika Chen hacks her way into the opening game of the International Warcross Championship Tournament, she accidentally glitches herself into the game and becomes an overnight sensation. After receiving a surprising phone call, Emika uncovers a sinister plot with major consequences for the entire Warcross empire.

The Raft by Bodeen **YA BodeS (RL)**

Robbie's last-minute flight to the Midway Atoll proves to be a nightmare when the plane goes down in shark-infested waters. Fighting for her life, the co-pilot Max pulls her onto the raft, and that's when the real terror begins.

Ashfall by Mullin **YA MullIM**

For Alex, being left alone for the weekend means having the freedom to play computer games and hang out with his friends without hassle from his mother. Then the Yellowstone supervolcano erupts, plunging his hometown into a nightmare of darkness, ash, and violence. Alex begins a harrowing trek to search for his family and finds help in Darla, a travel partner he meets along the way. Together they must find the strength and skills to survive and outlast an epic disaster.

Maniac Magee by Spinelli **YA SpinJ (RL)**

He wasn't born with the name Maniac Magee. He came into this world named Jeffrey Lionel Magee, but when his parents died and his life changed, so did his name. And Maniac Magee became a legend. Even today kids talk about how fast he could run; about how he hit an inside-the-park "frog" homer; how no knot, no matter how snarled, would stay that way once he began to untie it. But the thing Maniac Magee is best known for is what he did for the kids from the East Side and those from the West Side.

Seraphina by Hartman **YA HartS**

In a world where dragons and humans coexist in an uneasy truce and dragons can assume human form, Seraphina, whose mother died giving birth to her, grapples with her own identity amid magical secrets and royal scandals.