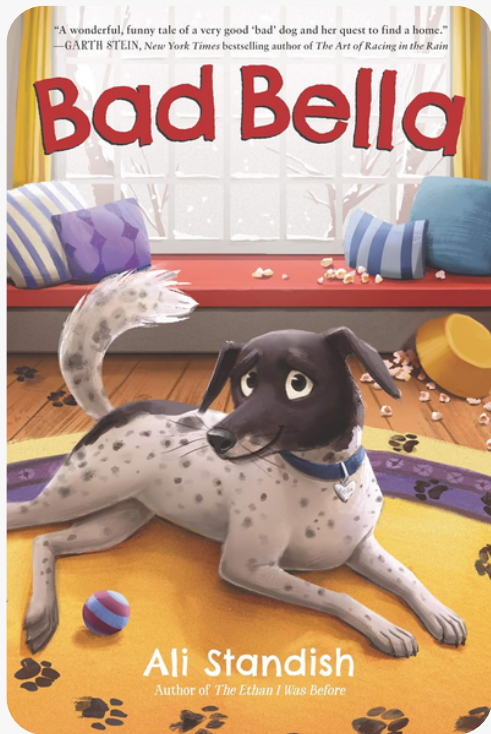


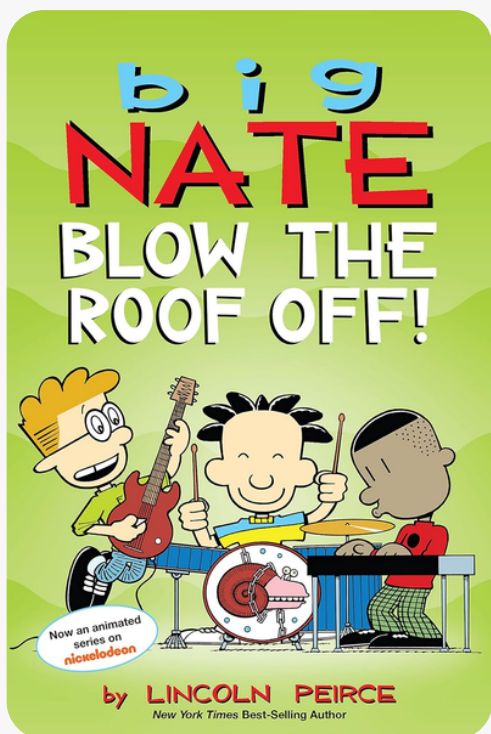
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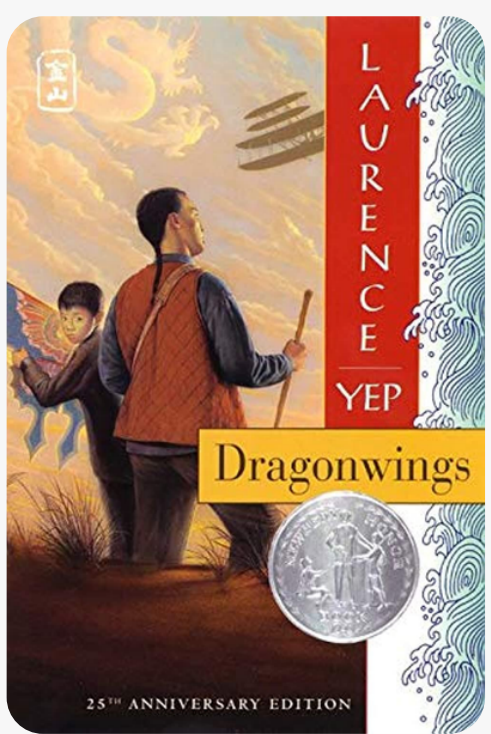
***Bad Bella* by Ali Standish**

Bella is the very best dog a family could ask for. Only her family, the McBrides, don't see it that way. Ever since Mrs. McBride's belly started growing, they don't seem to appreciate the way Bella cleans the crumbs from the kitchen floor or how she's always willing to play fetch after a long day. Things look bleak until a kind couple, the Roses, take Bella in.



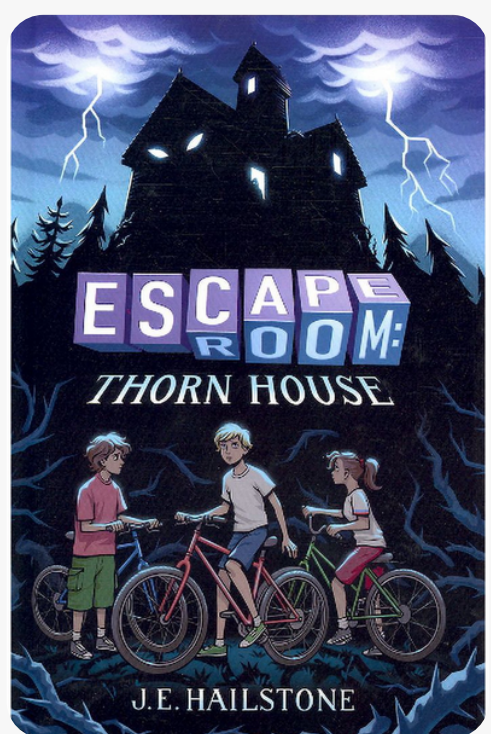
***Blow the Roof Off!* by Lincoln Peirce**

Nate Wright is born to be wild! And when Enslave the Mollusk is invited to play at the P.S. 38 annual open house, he and his bandmates are on the stairway to heaven. While the kids rock, the school year rolls on.



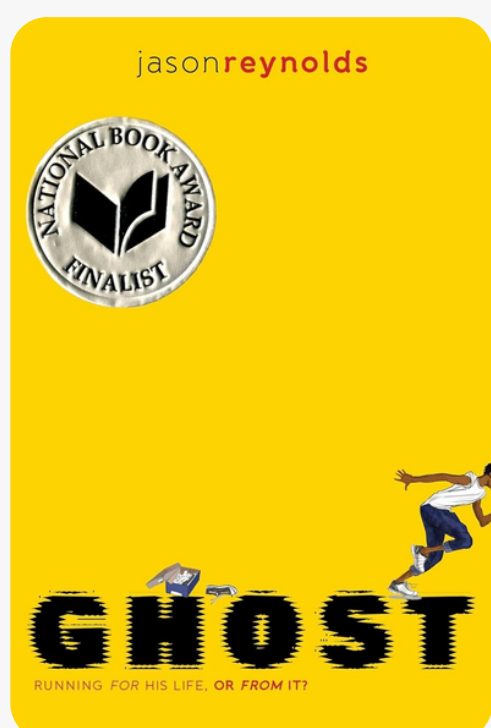
***Dragonwings* by Laurence Yep**

One day shortly after his eighth birthday, Cousin Hand Clap arrives with a letter from Windrider asking Moon Shadow to join him in San Francisco. When Moon Rider arrives in America he learns that his father makes a living doing laundry and dreams of building a flying machine just like the Wright Brothers. But making this fantastical dream a reality proves to be no easy task, as intolerance, poverty, and even an earthquake stand in their way.



***Escape Room: Thorn House* by J. E. Hailstone**

There's nothing Luca Price wants more than a great adventure. But with just a week to go before seventh grade starts, he and his best friends Owen and Kylie are starting to think that this will be the most boring summer of their lives. So when Luca's invited to an escape room at a creepy abandoned estate called Thorn House—in the middle of the woods and at midnight, no less—it's too good to pass up.

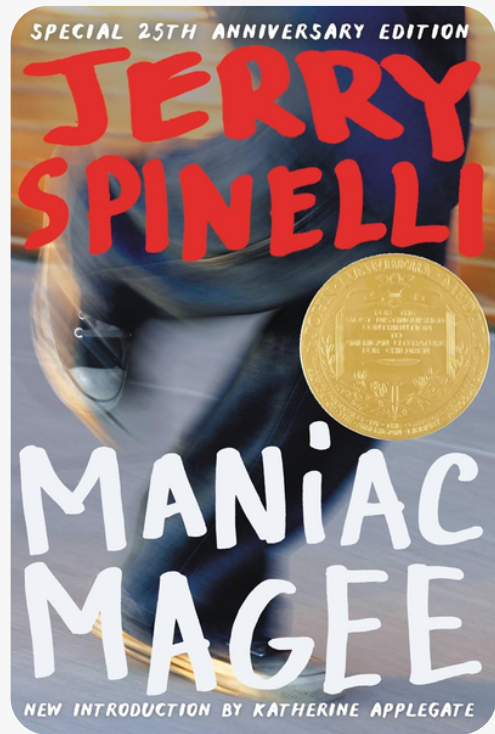


***Ghost* by Jason Reynolds**

Ghost. Lu. Patina. Sunny. Four kids from wildly different backgrounds with personalities that are explosive when they clash. But they are also four kids chosen for an elite middle school track team—a team that could qualify them for the Junior Olympics if they can get their acts together. They all have a lot to lose, but they also have a lot to prove, not only to each other, but to themselves.

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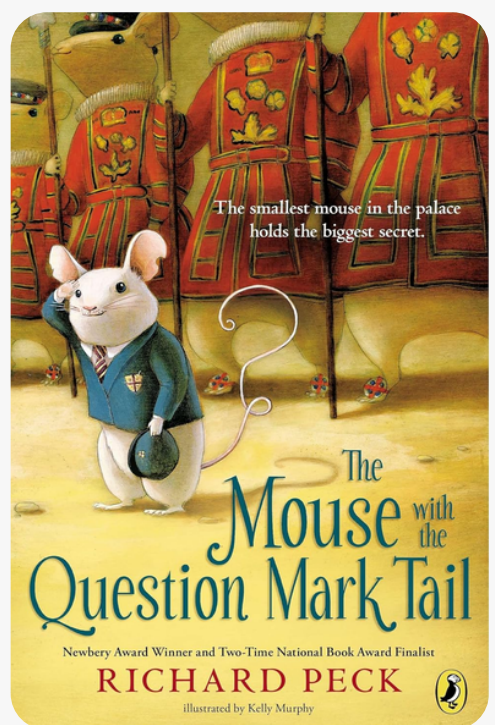
***Maniac Magee* by Jerry Spinelli**

Jeffrey Lionel "Maniac" Magee might have lived a normal life if a freak accident hadn't made him an orphan. After living with his unhappy and uptight aunt and uncle for eight years, he decides to run--and not just run away, but run. This is where the myth of Maniac Magee begins, as he changes the lives of a racially divided small town with his amazing and legendary feats.



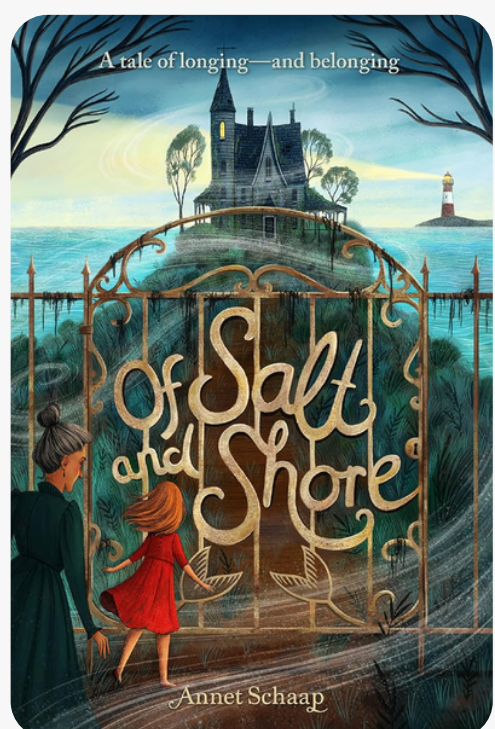
***Maybe a Fox* by Kathi Appelt**

Sylvie and Jules, Jules and Sylvie. Better than just sisters, more than best friends, they'd be identical twins if only they'd been born in the same year. And if only Sylvie wasn't such a fast—faster than fast—runner. But Sylvie is too fast, and when she runs to the river they're not supposed to go anywhere near to throw a wish rock just before the school bus comes on a snowy morning, she runs so fast that no one sees what happens...and no one ever sees her again.



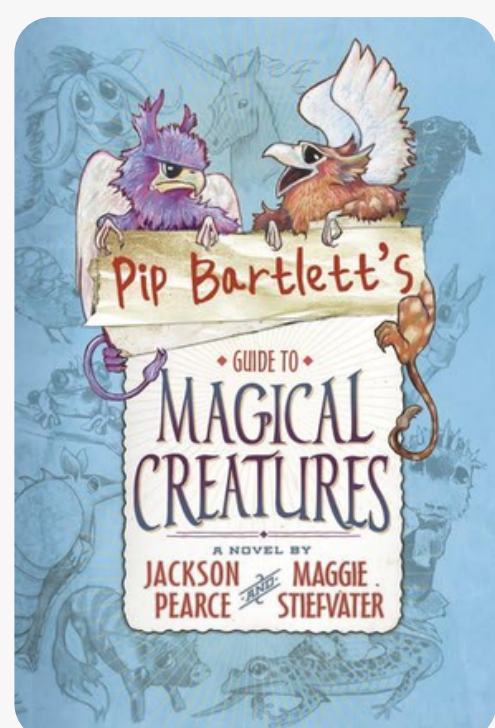
***The Mouse with the Question Mark Tail* by Richard Peck**

The tiniest mouse in the Royal Mews is such a mystery he doesn't even know his own name! He scampers off on an epic adventure in and around Buckingham Palace with a plan to seek the advice of Queen Victoria. The exhilarating journey takes him to strange and wonderful places, but will it help him discover who he is and where he came from?



***Of Salt and Shore* by Annet Schaap**

Every evening Lampie, the lighthouse keeper's daughter, must light a lantern to warn ships away from the rocks, but one stormy night disaster strikes. The lantern is not lit, a ship is wrecked, and someone must pay. To work off her debt, Lampie is banished to the Admiral's lonely house, where a monster is rumored to live. The terrors inside the house aren't quite what she thought they would be--they are even stranger.



***Pip Bartlett's Guide to Magical Creatures* by Jackson Pearce and Maggie Stiefvater**

Because of a Unicorn Incident at her school (it was an accident!), Pip is spending the summer with her Aunt Emma at the Cloverton Clinic for Magical Creatures. At first, it's all fun, games, and chatting with Hobgrackles, but when Fuzzles appear and start bursting into flame at the worst possible places, Pip and her new friend Tomas must take action.

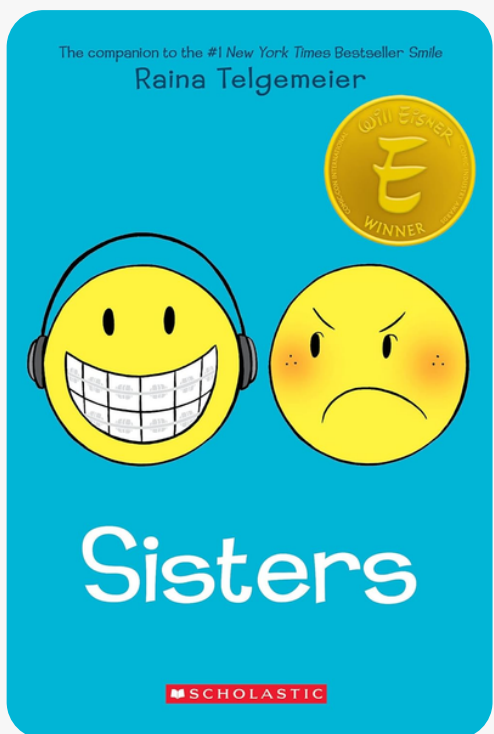
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***The Simple Art of Flying* by Cory Leonardo**

Born in a dismal room in a pet store, Alastair the African grey parrot dreams of escape to bluer skies. He'd like nothing more than to fly away to a palm tree with his beloved sister, Aggie. But when Aggie is purchased by twelve-year-old Fritz, and Alastair is adopted by elderly dance-enthusiast and pie-baker Albertina Plopky, the future looks ready to crash-land.



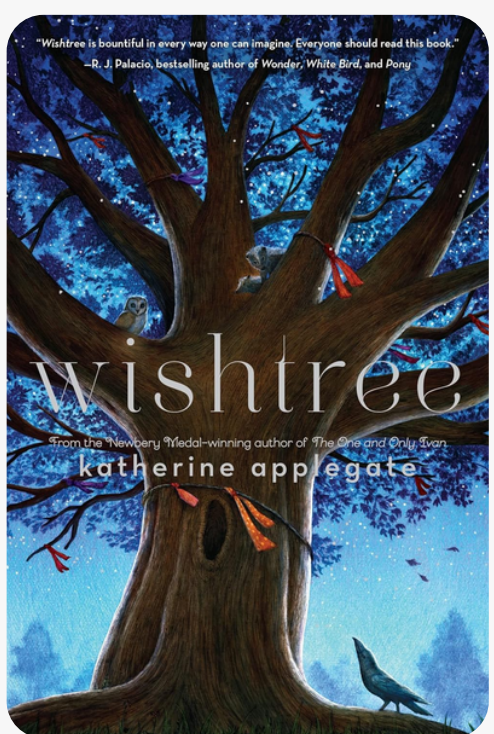
***Sisters* by Raina Telgemeier**

Raina can't wait to be a big sister. But once Amara is born, things aren't quite how she expected them to be. Amara is cute, but she's also a cranky, grouchy baby, and mostly prefers to play by herself. Their relationship doesn't improve much over the years, but when a baby brother enters the picture and later, something doesn't seem right between their parents, they realize they must figure out how to get along. They are sisters, after all.



***The Switcheroo Rescue* by FGTeEV**

The FGTeEV family have survived their fair share of glitchy gaming consoles! But now their luck has taken a decidedly strange turn-for-the-worse when Duddz bonks heads with Cecil and boom, the switcheroo happens. They wind-up flip-flopped into each other's body. Now Cecil has Duddz's lightning fast reflexes and mad gaming skills, while Duddz is stuck with Cecil's stubby fingers and really bad banana allergies.



***Wishtree* by Katherine Applegate**

Red is an oak tree who is many rings old. Red is the neighborhood "wishtree"—people write their wishes on pieces of cloth and tie them to Red's branches. Along with a crow named Bongo and other animals who seek refuge in Red's hollows, this wishtree watches over the neighborhood. You might say Red has seen it all. Until a new family moves in. Not everyone is welcoming, and Red's experience as a wishtree is more important than ever.



***The Wrinkle in Time Quartet* by Madeleine L'Engle**

The four books that chronicle the adventures of Meg and her siblings. In *A Wind in the Door*, Meg and Calvin descend into the microverse to save Charles Wallace from the Echthroi, evil beings who are trying to unname existence. When a madman threatens nuclear war in *A Swiftly Tilting Planet*, Charles Wallace must save the future by traveling into the past. And in *Many Waters*, Sandy and Dennys, Meg's twin brothers, are accidentally transported back to the time of Noah's ark.