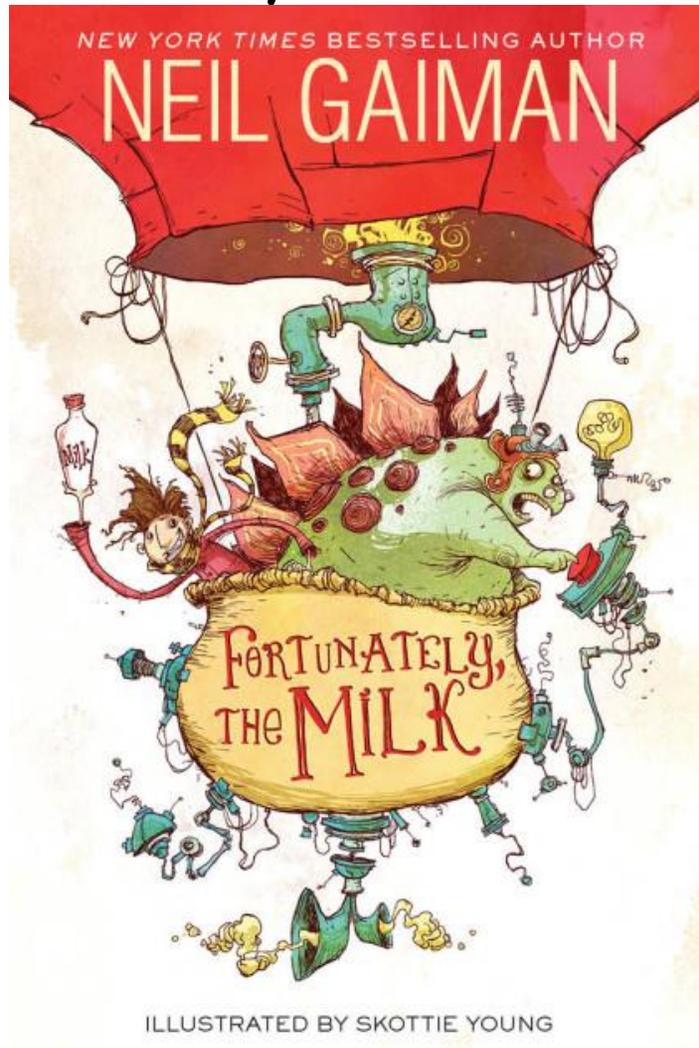


Recommended Fiction for Elementary School Readers



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Fake Mustache : or, how Jodie O'Rodeo and her Wonder Horse (and Some Nerdy Kid) Saved the U.S. Presidential Election from a Mad Genius Criminal Mastermind

By Tom Angleberger
J ANGLEBERGER

Lenny Flem Jr. is the only one standing between his evil-genius best friend, Casper, and world domination as Casper uses a spectacularly convincing fake mustache and the ability to hypnotize to rob banks, amass a vast fortune, and run for president.

My Life & Other Stuff I Made Up

By Tristan Bancks
J BANCKS

In this collection of humorous stories by young Tom Weekly, subjects range from being kissed by a dog to being chased by a bloodthirsty magpie.

Flora & Ulysses: the Illuminated Adventures

By Kate DiCamillo
J DICAMIELLO NEW

Rescuing a squirrel after an accident involving a vacuum cleaner, comic-reading cynic Flora Belle Buckman is astonished when the squirrel, Ulysses, demonstrates astonishing powers of strength and flight after being revived.

Fortunately, the Milk

By Neil Gaiman
J GAIMAN NEW

While picking up milk for his children's cereal, a father is abducted by aliens and finds himself on a wild adventure through time and space.

The Grimm Conclusion

By Adam Gidwitz
J GIDWITZ NEW

Sister and brother Jorinda and Joringel fight to keep their promise to stay together throughout a new series of gruesome, twisted, Grimm-inspired stories.

The Doll in the Garden: a ghost story

By Mary Downing Hahn
J HAHN

After Ashley and Kristi find an antique doll buried in old Miss Cooper's garden, they discover that they can enter a ghostly turn-of-the-century world by going through a hole in the hedge.

Eighth Grade is Making Me Sick: Ginny Davis's Year in Stuff

By Jennifer L. Holm
J HOLM

Eighth grade turns out to be an eventful year for Ginny and her family, as notes, lists, report cards, doctor bills, and other "stuff" reveal that the family moves to a

big new house, Brian starts to be more than just a friend, Ginny's mother has a baby, and her stepfather loses his job.

Zeus and the Thunderbolt of Doom

By Joan Holub

J HOLUB

When ten-year-old Zeus is kidnapped, he discovers he can defend himself with a magical thunderbolt.

The Great Trouble: a Mystery of London, the Blue Death, and a Boy Called Eel

By Deborah Hopkinson

J HOPKINSON NEW

Eel, an orphan, and his best friend Florrie must help Dr. John Snow prove that cholera is spread through water, and not poisonous air, when an epidemic sweeps across their London neighborhood in 1854.

E. Aster Bunnymund and the Warrior Eggs at the Earth's Core!

By William Joyce

J JOYCE

E. Aster Bunnymund uses his martial arts skills, his network of tunnels, and the help of MiM, Sand Mansnoozy, and Nicholas St. North to battle the Nightmare King, Pitch, who has sent a venomous serpent to attack Bunnymund's royal guard of warrior eggs.

Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Hard Luck

By Jeff Kinney

J KINNEY NEW

Greg Heffley's on a losing streak. His best friend, Rowley Jefferson, has ditched him, and finding new friends in middle school is proving to be a tough task. To change his fortunes, Greg decides to take a leap of faith and turn his decisions over to chance. Will a roll of the dice turn things around, or is Greg's life destined to be just another hard-luck story?

Ella Enchanted

By Gail Carson Levine

J LEVINE

In this novel based on the story of Cinderella, Ella struggles against the childhood curse that forces her to obey any order given to her.

I Even Funnier: A Middle School Story

By James Patterson

J PATTERSON NEW

Middle schooler Jamie Grimm has big dreams of being the best stand-up comic in the world--and he won't let the fact that he's wheelchair-bound stand in his way. After winning the New York state finals in the Planet's Funniest Kid Comic Contest, Jamie's off to Boston to compete in the national semi-finals. But when one of his best buddies runs into trouble at school and a sudden family health scare rears its head, Jamie has to put his comedic ambitions on hold and stand

by the people he cares about. Can Jamie pass up the big competition for the sake of his friends and family?

Road Trip

By Jim and Gary Paulsen

J PAULSEN

A father and son embark on a road trip to a distant animal shelter to save a homeless border collie puppy.

The Cricket in Times Square

By George Selden

J SELDEN

The adventures of a country cricket who unintentionally arrives in New York and is befriended by Tucker Mouse and Harry Cat.

The Invention of Hugo Cabret

By Brian Selznick

J SELZNICK

When twelve-year-old Hugo, an orphan living and repairing clocks within the walls of a Paris train station in 1931, meets a mysterious toy-seller and his goddaughter, his undercover life and his biggest secret are jeopardized.

Child of the Mountains

By Marilyn Sue Shank

J SHANK

In the early 1950s, Lydia Hawkins has grown up poor in the Appalachian Mountains of West Virginia with her widowed mother, brother BJ, who has cystic fibrosis, and her Gran, but when Gran and BJ die and her mother is jailed unjustly, Lydia must try to remain strong and clear her mother's name, even after she learns a shocking secret from the uncle with whom she is sent to live.

The Egypt Game

By Zilpha Keatley Snyder

J SNYDER

A group of children, entranced with the study of Egypt, play their own Egypt game, are visited by a secret oracle, become involved in a murder, and befriend the Professor before they move on to new interests, such as Gypsies.

The Bad Girls

By Cynthia Voigt

J VOIGHT

After meeting on the first day in Mrs. Chemsky's fifth-grade class, Margalo and Mikey help each other in and out of trouble, as they try to maintain a friendship while each asserts her independence.

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