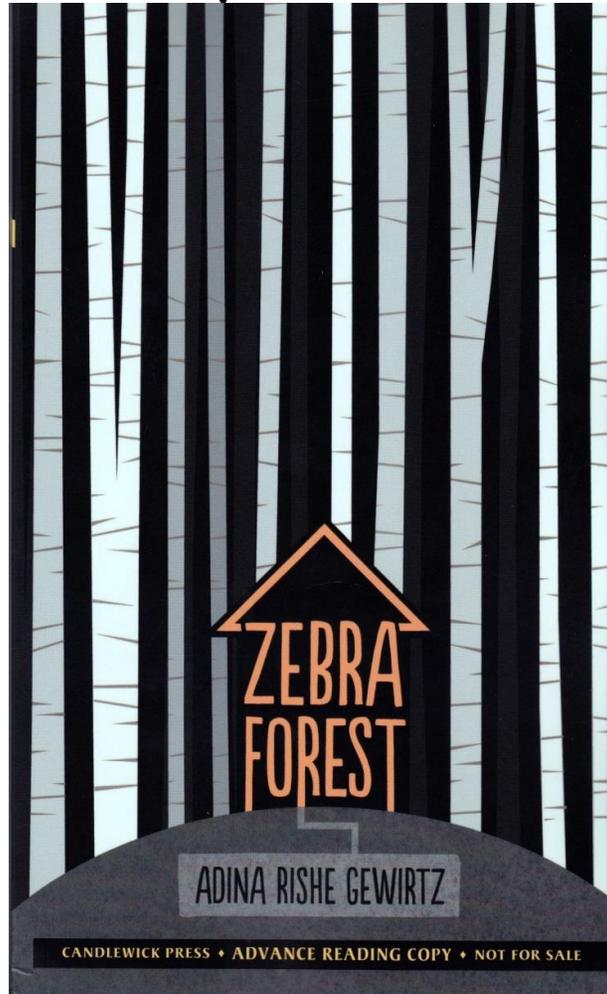


Recommended Fiction for Elementary School Readers



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Hold Fast

By Blue Balliett

J BALLIETT NEW

On a cold winter day in Chicago, Early's father disappeared, and now she, her mother and her brother have been forced to flee their apartment and join the ranks of the homeless--and it is up to Early to hold her family together and solve the mystery surrounding her father.

Doll Bones

By Holly Black

J BLACK NEW

Zach, Alice, and Poppy, friends from a Pennsylvania middle school who have long enjoyed acting out imaginary adventures with dolls and action figures, embark on a real-life quest to Ohio to bury a doll made from the ashes of a dead girl.

The Mouse and the Motorcycle

By Beverly Cleary

J CLEARY

A reckless young mouse named Ralph makes friends with a boy in room 215 of the Mountain View Inn and discovers the joys of motorcycling.

Ramona Forever

By Beverly Cleary

J CLEARY

Ramona's year in third grade is highlighted by the arrival of Howie's rich uncle, a change in her after-school situation, a surprise wedding, a death and a new arrival in the family, and her father's getting a job.

The Black Stallion

By Walter Farley

SERIES FARLEY

Young Alec Ramsay is shipwrecked on a desert island with a horse destined to play an important part in his life. Following their rescue their adventure continues in America.

Harriet the Spy

By Louise Fitzhugh

J FITZHUGH

The story about eleven-year old Harriet, who is a spy, plans to be a writer, and keeps a secret notebook filled with thoughts and notes on her school mates and people she observes on her after-school "spy route."

Zebra Forest

By Adina Rishe Gewirtz

J GEWIRTZ NEW

When eleven-year-old Annie first started lying to her social worker, she had been taught by an expert: Gran. She told Annie and her little brother, Rew, the one thing they know about their father: that he was killed in a fight with an angry man who was sent away. Annie tells stories, as she and Rew laze under the birches and oaks of Zebra Forest -- stories about their father the pirate, or pilot, or secret agent. But then something shocking happens to unravel all their stories: a rattling at the back door, an escapee from the prison holding them hostage in their own home, four lives that will never be the same.

A Tangle of Knots

By Lisa Graff

J GRAFF NEW

Destiny leads 11-year-old Cady to a peanut butter factory, a family of children searching for their own Talents, and a Talent Thief who will alter her life forever.

The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe

By C.S. Lewis

J LEWIS

Four English schoolchildren find their way through the back of a wardrobe into the magic land of Narnia and assist Aslan, the golden lion, to triumph over the White Witch, who has cursed the land with eternal winter.

Number the Stars

By Lois Lowry

J LOWRY

In 1943, during the German occupation of Denmark, ten-year-old Annemarie learns how to be brave and courageous when she helps shelter her Jewish friend from the Nazis.

Shiloh

By Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

J NAYLOR

When he finds a lost beagle in the hills behind his West Virginia home, Marty tries to hide it from his family and the dog's real owner, a mean-spirited man known to shoot deer out of season and to mistreat his dogs.

The Borrowers

By Mary Norton

J NORTON

Miniature people who live in an old country house by borrowing things from the humans are forced to emigrate from their home under the clock.

Where the Sidewalk Ends

By Shel Silverstein

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Humorous poetry.

Liar & Spy

By Rebecca Stead

J STEAD

Seventh-grader Georges adjusts to moving from a house to an apartment, his father's efforts to start a new business, his mother's extra shifts as a nurse, being picked on at school, and Safer, a boy who wants his help spying on another resident of their building.

Treasure Island

By Robert Louis Stevenson

J STEVENSON

While going through the possessions of a deceased guest who owed them money, the mistress of the inn and her son find a treasure map that leads to a pirate fortune as well as great danger.

P.S. Be Eleven

By Rita Williams-Garcia

J WILLIAMS-GARCIA NEW

The Gaither sisters return to Brooklyn, where they adapt to new feelings of independence while managing changes large and small, from Pa's new girlfriend to a very different Uncle Darnell's return from Vietnam.

Little House in the Big Woods

By Laura Ingalls Wilder

J WILDER

A year in the life of two young girls growing up on the Wisconsin frontier as they help their mother with the daily chores, enjoy their father's stories and singing, and share special occasions when they get together with relatives or neighbors.