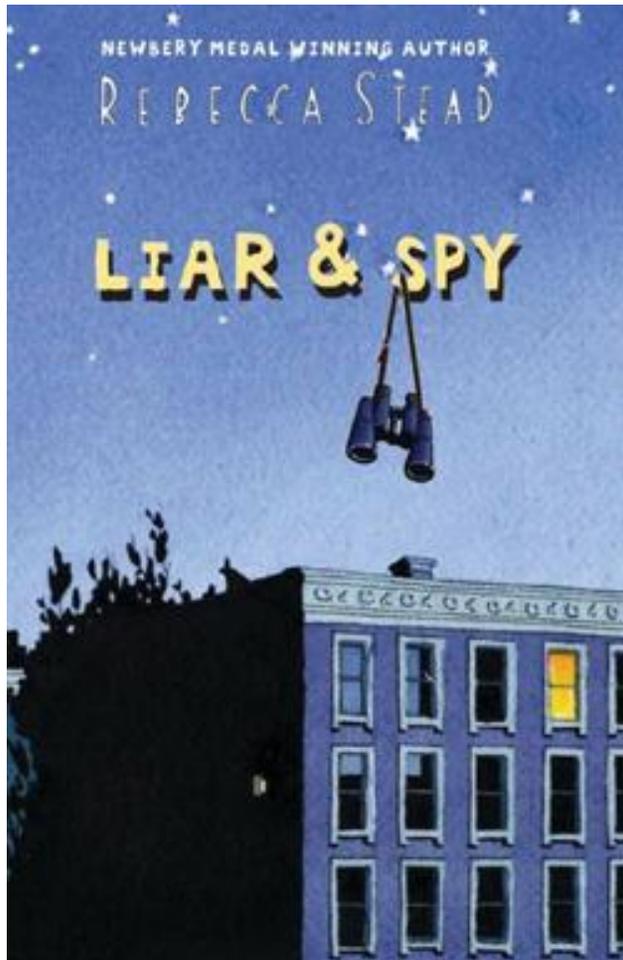


Recommended Fiction for Elementary School Readers



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Giants Beware!

By Jorge Aguirre

J GRAPHIC AGUIRRE

Claudette wants nothing more than to slay a giant but her little village is too safe and quiet.

No Passengers Beyond this Point

By Gennifer Choldenko

J CHOLDENKO

With their house in foreclosure, sisters India and Mouse and brother Finn are sent to stay with an uncle in Colorado until their mother can join them, but when the plane lands, the children are welcomed by cheering crowds to a strange place where each of them has a perfect house and a clock that is ticking down the time.

Planet Middle School

By Nikki Grimes

J GRIMES

A series of poems describes all the baffling changes at home and at school in twelve-year-old Joylin's transition from tomboy basketball player to not-quite-girly girl.

Legends of Zita the Spacegirl

By Ben Hatke

J GRAPHIC HATKE NEW

Zita is determined to find her way home to Earth, but her exploits have made her an intergalactic megastar, and as her true self is eclipsed by her public persona, she faces a robot doppelganger, unsure of who she can trust.

One Year in Coal Harbor

By Polly Horvath

J HORVATH NEW

In a small fishing village in British Columbia, twelve-year-old Primrose tries to be a matchmaker for her Uncle Jack, befriends Ked, a new foster child, tries to decide if she is willing to go to jail for her convictions, and together with Ked, publishes a cook book to raise money for the Fisherman's Aid. Includes recipes.

Starry River of the Sky

By Grace Lin

J LIN NEW

An innkeeper's chore boy discovers that a visitor's stories hold the key to returning the moon to the Starry River of the Sky.

Seeing Cinderella

By Jenny Lundquist

J LUNDQUIST

Sixth grade is not going well for Calliope Meadow Anderson. Callie's hair is frizzy, her best friend, Ellen, is acting weird, and to top things off, she has to get glasses. And her new specs aren't even cute, trendy glasses--more like hideously large and geeky. But Callie soon discovers that her glasses have a special, magical perk...

Waiting for the Magic

By Patricia MacLachlan

J MACLACHLAN

When Papa goes away for a little while, his family tries to cope with the separation by adopting four dogs and a cat.

The Cabinet of Earths

By Anne Nesbet

J NESBET

Thirteen-year-old Maya, in Paris with her family for a year, lands in the middle of the mysterious La Societé's quest for immortality when the magical Cabinet of Earths chooses her as its next Keeper, promising to restore her mother's health.

The Spindlers

By Lauren Oliver

J OLIVER NEW

Accompanied by an eccentric, human-sized rat, Liza embarks on a perilous quest through an underground realm to save her brother Patrick, whose soul has been stolen by the vilest of creatures--the spider-like spindlers.

Summer of the Gypsy Moths

By Sara Pennypacker

J PENNYPACKER

A foster child named Angel and twelve-year-old Stella, who are living with Stella's great-aunt Louise at the Linger Longer Cottage Colony on Cape Cod, secretly assume responsibility for the vacation rentals when Louise unexpectedly dies and the girls are afraid of being returned to the foster care system.

The Humming Room

By Ellen Potter

J POTTER

Twelve-year-old orphan Roo Fanshaw is sent to live with an uncle she never knew in a largely uninhabited mansion on Cough Rock Island and discovers a wild river boy, an invalid cousin, and the mysteries of a hidden garden.

Sideways Stories from Wayside School

By Louis Sachar

J SACHAR

Humorous episodes from the classroom on the thirtieth floor of Wayside School, which was accidentally built sideways with one classroom on each story.

Liar & Spy

By Rebecca Stead

J STEAD NEW

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.

The Romeo and Juliet Code

By Phoebe Stone

J STONE

During World War II, eleven-year-old Felicity is sent from London to Bottlebay, Maine, to live with her grandmother, aunt, uncle, and a reclusive boy who helps her decode mysterious letters that contain the truth about her missing parents.

The Mapmaker and the Ghost

By Sarvenaz Tash

J TASH

The summer before starting middle school, when eleven-year-old Goldenrod Moram sets out to make a very accurate map of the forest behind her home, she discovers a band of troublemakers, a mysterious old lady, and the ghost of her explorer idol.

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