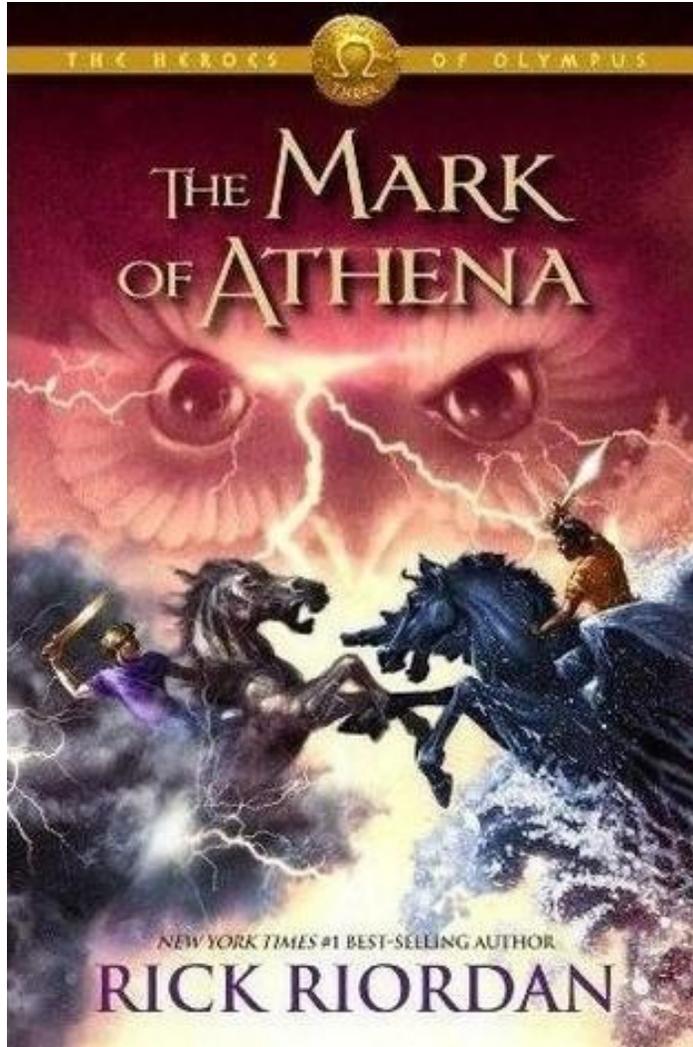


Recommended Fiction for Middle School Readers



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Peter and the Starcatchers

By Dave Barry

MS BARRY

Soon after Peter, an orphan, sets sail from England on the ship Never Land, he befriends and assists Molly, a young Starcatcher, whose mission is to guard a trunk of magical stardust from a greedy pirate and the native inhabitants of a remote island.

Tangerine

By Edward Bloor

MS BLOOR

Twelve-year-old Paul, who lives in the shadow of his football hero brother Erik, fights for the right to play soccer despite his near blindness and slowly begins to remember the incident that damaged his eyesight.

Caddie Woodlawn

By Carol Ryrie Brink

MS BRINK

Chronicles the adventures of eleven-year-old Caddie growing up with her six brothers and sisters on the Wisconsin frontier in the mid-nineteenth century.

The Scorpions of Zahir

By Christine Brodien-Jones

MS BRODIEN-JONES NEW

Eleven-year-old Zagora Pym, who possesses an otherworldly stone, travels to the Moroccan desert with her archaeologist father and astronomy-obsessed brother on a quest to save the ancient city of Zahir.

James and the Giant Peach

By Roald Dahl

MS DAHL

A wildly imaginative tale about a little boy who journeys to a wondrous city "where dreams come true".

Deep Zone

By Tim Green

MS GREEN

Twelve-year-old football stars Troy White and Ty Lewis are eager to face each other in a seven-on-seven tournament being held at the Super Bowl in Miami, unaware that bad choices made by members of their families will put both boys in danger.

Circle of Secrets

By Kimberley Griffiths Little

MS LITTLE

A year after her mother has deserted the family, eleven-year-old Shelby goes to stay with her, deep in the Louisiana bayou, where they both confront old hurts and regrets.

Wildwood

By Colin Meloy

MS MELOY

When her baby brother is kidnapped by crows, seventh-grader Prue McKeel ventures into the forbidden Impassable Wilderness--a dangerous and magical forest in the middle of Portland, Oregon--and soon finds herself involved in a war among the various inhabitants.

The Aviary

By Kathleen O'Dell

MS ODELL

In late nineteenth-century Maine, isolated, eleven-year-old Clara Dooley gains a friend and uncovers a magical secret that changes her life when she learns to care for the once-feared birds in the aviary attached to the Glendoveer mansion where she lives.

Liesl & Po

By Lauren Oliver

MS OLIVER

A mix-up involving the greatest magic in the world has tremendous consequences for Liesl, an orphan who has been locked in an attic, Will, an alchemist's runaway apprentice, and Po, a ghost, as they are pursued by friend and foe while making an important journey.

The Mark of Athena

By Rick Riordan

MS RIORDAN *NEW*

The Greek and Roman demigods will have to cooperate in order to defeat the giants released by the Earth Mother, Gaea. Then they will have to sail together to the ancient land--Greece itself--to find the Doors of Death.

Okay for Now

By Gary D. Schmidt

MS SCHMIDT

As a fourteen-year-old who just moved to a new town, with no friends, an abusive father, and a louse for an older brother, Doug Swieteck has all the stats stacked against him until he finds an ally in Lil Spicer--a fiery young lady. Together, they find a safe haven in the local library, inspiration in learning about the plates of John James Audubon's birds, and a hilarious adventure on a Broadway stage.

Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry

By Mildred D. Taylor

MS TAYLOR

A black family living in the South during the 1930's are faced with prejudice and discrimination which their children don't understand.

Breadcrumbs

By Anne Ursu

MS URSU

Hazel and Jack are best friends until an accident with a magical mirror and a run-in with a villainous queen find Hazel on her own, entering an enchanted wood in the hopes of saving Jack's life.

The Dragon's Tooth

By N.D. Wilson

MS WILSON

When their parents' seedy old motel burns down on the same night they are visited by a strange man covered in skeleton tattoos, Cyrus, Antigone, and their brother Daniel are introduced to an ancient secret society, and discover that they have an important role in keeping it alive.

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