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Memories of Summer Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

Tiny Lambert struggles to find security and happiness when her high school years are marred after her stepfather rapes her.

Seeing Red Farrar, Straus and Giroux (BYR)

After a fire destroys her family, Dee goes to live with an aunt and uncle whose house has a strangely deserted room formerly occupied by a girl no one will talk about.

Belle Prater's Boy Yearling

Now a seventh grader, Jason finds out the hard way just how different things are where ninth graders are the kings.

Way Down Deep Farrar, Straus and Giroux (BYR)

In the West Virginia town of Way Down Deep in the 1950s, a foundling called Ruby June is happily living with Miss Arbutus at the local boarding house when suddenly, after the arrival of a family of outsiders, the mystery of Ruby's past begins to unravel.

The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate Delacorte Press

An introduction to genealogy offers readers information on tracing a family's heritage, explaining how to use Internet resources to aid one's search, and including tips for nontraditional families and special situations.

Sister Spider Knows All Macmillan

Tiger Ann Parker wants nothing more than to get out of the rural town of Saitter, Louisiana--far away from her mentally disabled mother, her "slow" father who can't read an electric bill, and her classmates who taunt her. So when Aunt Dorie Kay asks Tiger to sp the summer with her in Baton Rouge, Tiger can't wait to go. But before she leaves, the sudden revelation of a dark family secret prompts Tiger to make a decision that will ultimately change her life. Set in the South in the late 1950s, this coming-of-age novel explores a twelve-year-old girl's struggle to accept her grandmother's death, her mentally deficient parents, and the changing world around her. It is a novel filled with beautiful language and unforgettable characters, and the importance of family and home. *My Louisiana Sky* is a 1998 Boston Globe - Horn Book Award Honor Book for Fiction.

Olive's Ocean Yearling

In the small town of Baylor, Kentucky, twelve-year-old Jessie K. Bovey and her friends confront some of life's questions during their summer vacation in the late 1960s.

Lizzie Bright and the Buckminster Boy Avid Reader Press / Simon & Schuster

Sample Text

Weeping Willow Little, Brown Books for Young Readers

When Belle Prater disappears, Belle ' s boy, Woodrow, comes to live with his grandparents in Coal Station, Virginia. Woodrow ' s cousin Gypsy is the town beauty, but she has hidden sorrows and secrets of her own. She wonders how Woodrow can accept his mother ' s disappearance when she ' s never gotten over her father ' s death. That ' s when Woodrow tells Gypsy the secret about his mother.

The Call Me Ishmael Phone Book Simon and Schuster

The sequel to the beloved Newbery Honor Book, *Belle Prater's Boy* Since Belle Prater inexplicably disappeared about a year ago, her son, Woodrow, and his cousin Gypsy have been searching for answers. Then, on the stroke of midnight on Woodrow's birthday, the phone rings. No one is at the other

end of the line, but Woodrow is certain it was his mama. They find out that the call was placed from nearby Bluefield, and set out to see if they can track her down. Joining them is Cassie Caulborne, the new girl in school, who is endowed with the gift of second sight. Unfortunately, they can find no trace of Belle. Once again, Woodrow realizes that perhaps even worse than not knowing where she is, is not understanding why his mama would leave him. How Woodrow, Gypsy, and Cassie come to understand the truth, and Woodrow eventually finds Belle, fills this oftrequested sequel to *Belle Prater's Boy* with magic and suspense. *The Search for Belle Prater* is a 2006 Bank Street - Best Children's Book of the Year.

The Treasure of Way Down Deep Yearling

Perfect for fans of *See You in the Cosmos* and *Where the Watermelons Grow*, author Jenn Bishop's latest novel tells the moving story of a boy determined to uncover the truth. Nothing is going right this summer for Drew. And after losing his dad unexpectedly three years ago, Drew knows a lot about things not going right. First, it ' s the new girl Audrey taking over everything at the library, Drew ' s sacred space. Then it ' s his best friend, Filipe, pulling away from him. But most upsetting has to be the mysterious man who is suddenly staying with Drew ' s family. An old friend of Mom ' s? Drew isn ' t buying that. With an unlikely ally in Audrey, he ' s determined to get to the bottom of who this man really is. The thing is, there are some fears—like what if the person you thought was your dad actually wasn ' t—that you can ' t speak out loud, not to anyone. At least that ' s what Drew thinks. But then again, first impressions can be deceiving.

Ruth White Milkweed Editions

The Newbery Honor-winning author of "*Belle Prater's Boy*" revisits a time of trouble and triumph in her past, as she presents a snapshot from her family's life in a Virginia coal mining camp, told from the point of view of White's oldest sister, Audrey.

Space Station Seventh Grade Bloomsbury Publishing USA

Retold from traditional sources and accompanied by David Wisniewski's unique cut-paper illustrations, *Golem* is a dramatic tale of supernatural forces invoked to save an oppressed people. It also offers a thought-provoking look at the consequences of unleashing power beyond human control. The afterword discusses the legend of the golem and its roots in the history of the Jews. A Caldecott Medal Book.

Spitting Image Farrar, Straus and Giroux (BYR)

When push comes to shove, two Kentucky girls find strength in each other. Ivy June Mosely and Catherine Combs, two girls from different parts of Kentucky, are participating in the first seventh-grade student exchange program between their schools. The girls will stay at each other ' s homes, attend school together, and record their experience in their journals. Catherine and her family have a beautiful home with plenty of space. Since Ivy June ' s house is crowded, she lives with her grandparents. Her Pappaw works in the coal mines supporting four generations of kinfolk. Ivy June can ' t wait until he leaves that mine forever and retires. As the girls get closer, they discover they ' re more alike than different, especially when they face the terror of not knowing what ' s happening to those they love most.

The Year of the Sawdust Man Macmillan

Turner Buckminster is purely miserable. Not only is he the son of the new minister in a small Maine town, but he is shunned for playing baseball differently from the local boys.

Things You Can't Say Scholastic Inc.

"Olive Barstow was dead. She'd been hit by a car on Monroe Street while riding her bicycle weeks ago. That was about all Martha knew." Martha Boyle and Olive Barstow could have been friends. But they weren't -- and now all that is left are eerie connections between two girls who were in the same grade at school and who both kept the same secret without knowing it. Now Martha can't stop thinking about Olive. A family summer on Cape Cod should help banish those thoughts; instead, they seep in everywhere. And this year Martha's routine at her beloved grandmother's beachside house is complicated by the Manning boys. Jimmy, Tate, Todd, Luke, and Leo. But especially Jimmy. What if, what if, what if, what if? The

world can change in a minute.

You'll Like It Here (Everybody Does) Harper Collins

By the author of the Newbery Honor book *Belle Prater's Boy* It is the mid-1950s, and Lyrics familys dream is finally coming true -- they are moving from the backwoods of southwest Virginia to Flint, Michigan, where her father hopes to get an assembly-line job for a car manufacturer. Thirteen-year-old Lyric has always been close to and admired her older sister, Summer, who is pretty and popular. But in their new hometown, Summer unexpectedly and drastically changes. She becomes remote, speaks gibberish, stops taking care of her appearance, wont go to high school, and then seems to have hallucinations. Lyric and her father try to cope with the devastating effects of Summers mental illness, but, sadly, there is no bringing the old Summer back. Ruth White has written a heart-wrenching novel which, despite the sad and serious subject matter, offers readers humor and hope and most of all love.

The Treasure of Way Down Deep Henry Holt and Company (BYR)

When Garnet's mother decides it's time for a change, she drops off her daughter at her aunt June's house in Black Rock, Virginia, while she goes to Florida to find a job. Garnet has never met her Aunt June, so she feels angry and abandoned. But Aunt June thinks Garnet is there for a reason. Each week, Garnet and June visit a different religious service as Aunt June, who has cancer, tries to find God. After a miraculous spiritual healing occurs and an unexpected visitor comes to town, Garnet learns the power of love and forgiveness, and what being a family truly means.

Belle Prater's Boy Workman Publishing

A modern-day ghost story set on a remote Scottish island, *While You Sleep* is a page-turning, chillingly erotic Hitchcockian thriller evoking the dark atmospheric of a house that may be more than it seems . . . It begins, they say, with a woman screaming . . . On a remote Scottish island, the McBride house stands guard over its secrets. A century ago, a young widow and her son died mysteriously there; just last year a local boy, visiting for a dare, disappeared without a trace. For Zoe Adams, newly arrived from America, the house offers a refuge from her failing marriage. But her peaceful retreat is disrupted by strange and disturbing events: nighttime intrusions; unknown voices; a constant sense of being watched. The locals want her to believe that these incidents are echoes of the McBrides ' dark past. Zoe is convinced the danger is closer at hand, and all too real—but can she uncover the truth before she is silenced?

Golem Macmillan

When Ruby Jolene Hurley sees the shadow of her dead pet goat Jethro dancing on his grave, that's the first hint that something strange is going on in *Way Down Deep*. Then on Halloween night, Miss Arbutus senses an evil wind blowing into town, and bad things start to happen. The coal mine shuts down, one hundred men lose their jobs, and all of *Way Down* feels the pinch. Ruby thinks the answer to their problems is the treasure that Archibald Ward, the town's founder, supposedly buried more than two hundred years ago. Most people say the treasure is just a myth, but Ruby is determined to prove the naysayers wrong and save the day.