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Nightingale's Nest Macmillan Staying with their grandparents while their father mourns the loss of their mother. Molly and Hannah find their lives transformed by a relationship with an injured man who seems to possess wondrous magical abilities. By the awardwinning author of Wavs to Live Forever. Nerd Camp 2.0 HarperCollins For Annie, lists are how she keeps her whole life in order. And there is a lot to keep track of! Do you love Anastasia Krupnik, Ramona Quimby, and the Penderwicks? Then you will love Annie! Annie's a shy fifth grader with an incredible memory and a love of making lists. It helps her keep track of things when they can seem a little out of control. like her family, her friends, and her life

in a new place. Annie has: 1. An incredible memory (really, it's almost photographic) that can get her in trouble. 2. A brother who is mad at her because he thinks she is the reason they had to move to Clover Gap, population 8,432. 4. A best friend who she is (almost) certain will always be her best friend. 5. New classmates, some of whom are nicer than others. 6. A rocky start finding her place in her new home. From the author of The 47 People You'll Meet in Middle School, Annie's Life in Lists finds that even amid the chaos of everyday life, it's important to put things in order. "Perfect for anyone who's ever worried about starting a new school, saying the wrong thing, dying of embarrassment, or losing a best friend. I loved getting to know Annie through her lists!" --Kelly Jones, author of Unusual Chickens for the **Exceptional Poultry Farmer** Summer and Bird Nightingale's Nest

Alistair Cleary is the kid who everyone trusts. Fiona Loomis Alistair hasn't really thought of her since they were little kids until she shows up at his doorstep with a proposition: she wants him to write her biography. What begins as an odd vanity project gradually turns into a frightening glimpse into the mind of a potentially troubled girl. Fiona says that in her basement, there's a portal that leads to a magical world where a creature called the Riverman is stealing the souls of children. And Fiona's soul could be next. If Fiona really believes what she's saying, Alistair fears she may be crazy. But if it's true, her life could be at risk. In this novel from Aaron Starmer, it's up to Alistair to separate fact from fiction, fantasy from reality. Princess in Disguise Simon and Schuster When Katherine Dennard is selected to become a

"Creation Specialist" in Sector 4, the opportunity is not the typical girl next door. sounds like a dream come true But Kate soon discovers the darker side of her profession - the disposal of fetal organs and destruction of human life. It makes sense. really. In a society where disease and malformations don't exist, human perfection demands that no genetic "mutants" be allowed to live. For Sector 4, "survival of the fittest" is not just a theory - it's The Institute's main mission When Kate discovers that The Institute is using her DNA to create new life, her work gets personal. In order to save her unviable son, she'll have to trust Micah and his band of underground Natural Born Rebels. The problem is, if

The Institute discovers her You and Me—and Izzy betrayal, the next body tossed in the trash could be hers. "This is a powerful story about the meaning and value of life--we don't have enough audition . . . How many of those." Terry Trueman, butterfly problems can one Printz Honor author, Stuck kid take? in Neutral The Breeding Tree Razorbill So many moments, both big and small, make up a year. Beth Ain chronicles them all in this heartwarming novel in verse, perfect for back to school--no matter what that looks like! It's a new school year, and Izzy Kline is having some feelings. There are plenty of reasons for the butterflies in her stomach to flap their wings. There 's a new girl in her class who might be a new best friend. The whole grade is performing Free to Be . . .

really wants a starring role. And new changes at home are making Izzy feel like her family is falling apart. Firstday jitters, new friends, an

The Charmed Children of Rookskill Castle Sourcebooks, Inc.

Twelve-year-old Peter has never felt at home with his noisy family, but begins to find the strength to live and to be himself when he discovers a special valley in the Texas Hill Country and meets Annie, a girl dying of cancer who knows and accepts him from the start. The Land of Forgotten Girls Scholastic Inc.

Despite being neglected by the emperor for a jewel-studded bird, the little nightingale revives the dying ruler with its

beautiful song. A retelling set in trouble. Mars is trying to kick Northwest Africa. Pluto out of the solar system.

Annie's Life in Lists Penguin
When everything starts going
wrong on Annie and Liam's
wedding day, Queen Karolina
decides that they need the help of
her fairy godmother,
Moonbeam, but a magical fog
keeps messengers from leaving so
Annie and Liam themselves set
out to discover who ruined the
wedding, and why.
The Nightingale Yearling

The Nightingale Yearling Dinosaurs, Martians, and mystery, oh my! Fans of Michael Buckley's NERDS and Dan Gutman's Genius Files will love this hilarious, action-packed adventure series. What would life be like if you were part dinosaur? When you're part Stegosaurus life can be a little crazy. (Yes, sleeping with plates is weird. No, dino-human hybrids do not have second brains in their butts.) But Sawyer's life is normal(ish) until he's yanked aboard a UFO and sent on a mission to Mars. Sawyer, Elliot and Sylvie travel to Mars to find her missing father, but they find even bigger

Pluto out of the solar system. And the fate of both planets will be decided by the upcoming Pluto VS Mars soccer match. Of course. It's an intergalactic mess. and only Sawyer can save Mars, defend Pluto and protect the galaxy... "You thought your day at school was rough. Try being half dinosaur. Dinosaur Boy is a hilarious adventure and as sharp as a stegosaurus's tail, with twists and turns on every page...fantastic." —Nathan Bransford, author of Jacob Wonderbar and the Cosmic Space Kapow "Funny, fast-paced, and filled with surprising twists, Dinosaur Boy is a charming story about friendship, bullies, dinosaurs, and learning to live with being very, very different. The ending will have boys and girls roaring for more of Sawyer's adventures, and possibly wishing for their very own dinosaur genes!" -Nikki Loftin, author of The Sinister Sweetness of Splendid Academy and Nightingale's Nest When Audrey Met Alice

"Outrageous and riveting.'" -School Library Journal Living in the White House is combination of humor, like being permanently grounded. Only with better security. First Daughter Audrey Rhodes can't wait for the party she has planned. The decorations are all set and the pizza is on its way. But the Secret Service must be out to ruin her life, because they cancel at the last minute, squashing Audrey's chances for making any new friends. What good is having your own bowling alley if you don't have anyone to play with? Audrey is ready to give up and spend the next four years totally friendless--until she discovers Alice Roosevelt's hidden diary. The former First Daughter's outrageous antics give Audrey a ton of

Bloomsbury Publishing USA ideas for having fun...and get her into more trouble than she can handle. "The history, light romance and social consciousness make Rebecca Behrens' debut novel a winner." -BookPage "Rebecca Behrens combines charming and quirky characters from two different centuries, creating a believable, engaging story that tugs at the heart and tickles the funny bone." -Nikki Loftin, award-winning author of The Sinister Sweetness of Splendid Academy "Outrageous and riveting. ...this book aims to inspire and stir young girls to unearth their inner Alice Roosevelt and to 'eat up the world.'" -School Library Journal Naked Scholastic Inc. When Jesse Lucas, a troubled, magnetic acting

major, touches the sculpture Meditation in Stanford's Rodin Sculpture Garden, he afflict her, she helps him burns his finger on the bronze. By the time he returns to the garden that night, an eighteen-year-old girl has emerged from the statue, naked and disoriented. It is 2008, yet her mind is swimming with vivid, fractured memories of her volatile past in nineteenth-century Paris--of serving as Rodin's muse, of her passionate affair with the acclaimed artist, and of her own creations. So begins Betsy Franco's extraordinary and imaginative novel, Naked. Stranded in the sculpture garden, Camille--or Cat. as she insists on being called--forms a deep bond with Jesse, who is soon leaving for college and is as lonely and disturbed as she. As Jesse

encourages Cat to confront the sinister memories that overcome the fury he has toward his abusive father and find peace within himself. Rich, inventive, and told with a compelling mix of grace and wry humor, Naked is a bold debut that explores love, loss, and the power of art, and brings to mind the magical realism found in The Time Traveler's Wife and Midnight in Paris. The Riverman Spencer Hill Middle Grade Looking forward to returning to his beloved summer enrichment camp, Gabe is horrified by a wildfire that causes his super-cool stepbrother's camp of equally cool campers to join Nerd Camp, prompting a clash between the two groups. By the author of Standing for Socks.

Deadwood Farrar, Straus and Giroux (BYR)

Everyone knows the dinosaur gene skips a generation. So it isn't a complete surprise when Sawyer sprouts spikes and a tail before the start of fifth grade. After all, his grandfather was part stegosaurus. Despite the Principal's Zero Tolerance Policy, Sawyer becomes a bully magnet, befriended only by Elliot aka "Gigantor" and the weird new girl. When the bullies start disappearing, Sawyer is relieved-until he discovers a secret about the principal that's more shocking than Dino DNA. The bullies are in for a galactically horrible fate...and it's up to Sawyer and his friends to rescue them. "With issues like bullying, not fitting in, and heroism, this is a book that kids and adults will share and treasure. It's Wonder with dinosaurs and is sure to touch your heart." — P. J. Hoover,

author of Tut: The Story of My Immortal Life "A wild and wacky adventure...with enough twists and turns to rival a roller coaster, DINOSAUR BOY is sure to appeal to wonderfully weird kids of every shape and size." —Kelly Milner Halls, award-winning author of Girl Meets Boy Fire Scholastic Inc. Adelaide Foss, Maggie Borland, and Beatrice Alfred are known by their classmates at Widowsbury's Madame Gertrude's School for Girls as "scary children." Unfairly targeted because of their peculiarities—Adelaide has an uncanny resemblance to a werewolf, Maggie is abnormally strong, and Beatrice claims to be able to see ghosts—the girls spend a good deal of time isolated in the school's inhospitable library facing detention. But when a number of people mysteriously begin to disappear in Widowsbury, the

girls work together, along with Steffen Weller, son of the cook at Rudyard School for Boys, to find out who is behind the abductions. Will they be able to save Widowsbury from a sinister 12-year-old curse? Skary Childrin and the Carousel of Sorrow Simon and Schuster A moving story of a young girl's struggle with love, loss, family, and magic from the beyond, from critically acclaimed author Kimberley Griffiths Little. **Everybody thinks Tara Doucet** has the perfect life. But Tara 's life is anything but perfect: Her dear Grammy Claire has just passed away, her mom is depressed and distant, and she and her sister, Riley, can 't agree on anything. But when mysterious and dazzling butterflies begin to follow her around after Grammy Claire 's funeral, Tara knows in her heart that her grandmother has left her one final mystery to solve. Tara finds a stack of keys and detailed letters from Grammy Claire. Note by note, Tara learns unexpected truths about her

grandmother 's life. As the letters grow more ominous and the clues harder to decipher, Tara realizes that the secrets she must uncover could lead to grave danger. And when Tara and Riley are swept away to the beautiful islands of Chuuk to hear their grandmother 's will. Tara discovers the most shocking truth of all, one that will change her life forever. Kimberley Griffiths Little weaves a magical, breathtaking mystery full of loss and love, family and faith. Truth with a Capital T

Truth with a Capital T Yearling

Forbidden by her father to indulge in music in any way, a girl on the planet Pern runs away, taking shelter with the planet's fire lizards who, along with her music, open a new life for her.

Dial Books for Young Readers
"An enchanting, ghostly story
that had me in its grip until the
last page."—Jennifer A. Nielsen,
New York Times and USA
Today best-selling author of The
False Prince "Keep calm and

carry on. " That 's what Katherine Bateson 's father told her, and that 's what she 's trying to do: when her father goes forced to see her life in a whole off to the war, when her mother sends Kat and her brother and sister away from London to escape the incessant bombing, even when the children arrive at Rookskill Castle, an ancient. crumbling manor on the misty Scottish highlands. But it 's hard to keep calm in the strange castle that seems haunted by ghosts or worse. What 's making those terrifying screeches and groans at night? Why do the castle 's walls seem to have a mind of their own? And why do people seem to mysteriously appear and disappear? Kat believes she knows the answer: Lady Eleanor, who rules Rookskill Castle, is harboring a Nazi spy. But when her classmates begin to vanish, one by one, Kat must uncover the of Pam Mu ñ oz Ryan, Rita truth about what the castle actually harbors—and who Lady Eleanor really is—before it's too late.

The Dogs of Winter Knopf Books for Young Readers Sara's life has always flowed smoothly, like the gliding swans on the lake, until her little brother Charlie disappears. Then Sara is new way.

When the Butterflies Came Penguin In this acclaimed novel from Newbery Medalist Erin Entrada Kelly, two sisters from the Philippines, abandoned by their father and living in impoverished circumstances in Louisiana, fight to make their lives better. School Library Journal called The Land of Forgotten Girls "A charming and affecting novel about sisterhood, the magic of imagination, and perseverance. " For readers Williams-Garcia, and anyone searching for the true meaning of family. Winner of a Parents ' Choice Gold Award. Soledad has always been

able to escape into the stories Cynthia Kadohata and she creates. Just like her mother always could. And Soledad has needed that escape more than ever in the five years since her mother and sister died, and her father moved Sol and her youngest sister from the Philippines to Louisiana. After her father leaves, all Sol and Ming have is their evil stepmother, Vea. Sol has protected Ming all this time, but then Ming begins to believe that Auntie Jove—their mythical, worldtraveling aunt—is really going to come rescue them. Can Sol protect Ming from this impossible hope? Acclaimed and awardwinning author Erin Entrada though, Peter finds a tranquil, Kelly writes masterfully about the challenges of finding hope in impossible circumstances, in this novel that will appeal to fans of

Thanhha Lai. Booklist said. "Kelly's sophomore novel is both hopeful and heartfelt, but strong emotions are only part of the successful equation here. Told in Sol's true voice, the direct dialogue brings the diverse characters to vivid life." The Sinister Sweetness of Splendid Academy Simon and Schuster A dying girl gives a boy the

strength to live in this lyrical novel that will break your heart and lift your spirit Peter Stone 's parents and siblings are extroverts, musicians, and yellers—and the louder they get, the less Peter talks, or even moves, until he practically fits his last name. When his family moves to the Texas Hill Country, natural valley where he can, at last, hear himself think. There, he meets a girl his age: Annie Blythe. Annie tells Peter she 's a " wish girl. " But Annie isn ' t just any wish girl; she 's a

" Make-A-Wish Girl." And in two weeks she will begin a dangerous treatment to try and stop her cancer from spreading. Left alone, the disease will kill her. But the treatment may cause serious, lasting damage to her brain. Annie and Peter hatch a plan to escape into the valley, which they begin to think is magical. But the pair soon discovers that the valley—and life—may have other plans for them. And sometimes wishes come true in ways they would never expect.