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Books of Note 2018

Tri State Books of Note (BON) (elem/ms/hs) and

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Series listing

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- * ms **Agrimbau, Diego** *Anne Frank* MS,JT,CFM
Calkins Creek (Boyd's Mills) 2018 79p 30.65 978-1-5157-9161-4 Encounter: Narrative Nonfiction
When Anne's family is forced into hiding by the ever-increasing dangers of being detained and sent to a concentration camp, she writes. Through her writing, she tells of the emotional experiences, the angers and joys, shared by two families who inhabited a very small annex in Amsterdam to avoid capture.
- elm/ms **Agrimbau, Diego** *Leonardo Da Vinci* JT,MS,CFM
Calkins Creek (Boyd's Mills) 2018 112p 31.99 978-1-5157-9163-8 Encounter: Narrative Nonfiction
Graphic novel biography of Leonardo da Vinci. It tells how he developed from an apprentice to master painter and sculptor. Also shows some of his many other interests in science and engineering. Grades 4-8.
- ms **Aguiar, Nadia** *The Great Wave of Tamarind* JT,VM
Macmillan/ Feiwei & Friends 2017 372p 16.99 978-0-312-38031-1
Penny returns to Tamarind without her brother and sister. She is on a quest to be the Bloom Catcher and help her grandmother. Amazing imaginative creation. Sequel to *The Lost Island of Tamarind* and *Secrets of Tamarind*. Grades 5-8.
- elm/ms **Alexander, Kwame with Chris** *Out of wonder: poems celebrating poets* HW,LM
Candlewick Press 2017 40P 16.99 978-0-7636-094-7
This is a collection of poems that celebrate poets.
- ms/hs **Alexander, Lloyd** *High King (50th Anniversary Ed.)* SO,LM
Macmillan/ Henry Holt 2017 248p 25.99 978-1-62779-432-9
This is the 50th Anniversary of Lloyd Alexander's classic book *The High King*, the final volume in his *Chronicles of Prydain* series.
- ms/hs **Alexander, Lloyd** *Taran Wanderer (50th Anniversary Ed.)* SO,LM
Macmillan/ Henry Holt 2017 218p 25.99 978-1-62779-431-2
This is the 50th Anniversary of Lloyd Alexander's classic book *The High King*, the penultimate volume in his *Chronicles of Prydain* series that incorporates much of Welsh mythology.
- ms **Alexander, William** *A Properly Unhaunted Place* LM,SO
Simon & Schuster/ McElderry 2017 192p 16.99 978-1-4814-6915-9
Rosa Diaz comes from a line of librarians who specialize in ghost appeasement.
- ms/hs **Almond, David** *Harry Miller's run* LF,LM
Candlewick Press 2017 60p 16.99 978-0-7636-8975-9
Harry tells his story of the Great North Run from Newcastle to South Shields, England, in this delightful story of boyhood in the simpler time of the 1920s, to young Liam, who is about to embark on the junior version of the run in the present day.
- ms **Anders, Mason** *DNA, Genes, and Chromosomes* SO,CFM
Capstone Publishers 2018 32p 25.97 978-1-5157-7256-9 Fact Finders (Capstone)
Describing DNA, deoxyribonucleic acid, as the "instruction manual for life," this fascinating book is well organized and clearly written in a straightforward manner.
- ms/hs **Anders, Mason** *Heredity* ED,CFM
Capstone Publishers 2018 32p 20.54 978-1-5157-7257-6 Fact Finders Genetics
A scientific look at how we inherit the traits we have from previous generations and how the next generation will be affected.
- hs **Anderson, M.T.** *Symphony for the City of the Dead* VM,LX,CK
Candlewick Press 2017 456p 14.99 978-0-7636-9100-4
Narrative of how Dmitri Shostakovich composed his symphony to honor, rouse, rally, and commemorate the people of his Leningrad amid the invading Nazi force and Soviet government in 1943-1944.
- all ages **Andrus, Aubre** *Botanical Beauty: 80 Essential Recipes for Natural Spa Products* HW,ED
Capstone Publishers/Switch 2017 160p 14.95 978-1-63079-075-2
Pamper yourself with homemade beauty products.
- elm/ms **Andrus, Aubre** *How to Achieve Inner Calm (Stress Busting Guides)* CFM,ED
Capstone Publishers 2018 48p 31.32 978-1-5157-6822-7 Savvy -Capstone
"Contains tips and projects that are designed to help readers manage stress."
- elm/ms **Andrus, Aubre** *How to Find Energy & Inspiration (Stress Busting Guides)* CFM,ED
Capstone Publishers 2018 48p 31.32 978-1-5157-6820-3 Savvy -Capstone
"Provides tips and projects for promoting happiness in one's life."
- elm/ms **Andrus, Aubre** *How to Manage a Busy Life (Stress Busting Guides)* CFM,ED
Capstone Publishers 2018 48p 31.32 978-1-5157-6821-0 Savvy -Capstone
"Offers tips and tricks that are designed to help readers get organized, find confidence, and learn how to relax."
- ms/hs **Andrus, Aubre & Karen** *Project You* MS,ED
Capstone Publishers 2017 160p 14.95 978-1-63079-091-2
Comprehensive list of activities/projects designed to alleviate stress in teens. Short survey to show the reader what good mental health looks like, clearly illustrated ideas in organized format, and numerous listings are highlights of this how-to book.
- ms/hs **Anthony, Lawrence** *Elephant Whisperer* LM,LMN
Macmillan/ Henry Holt 2017 248p 18.99 978-1-62779-309-4
The author relates his experiences of living amongst a herd of wild African elephants in a wildlife refuge in Zululand, South Africa.
- ms/hs **Aquirre, Ann** *Vanguard (Razorland)* MS,VM
Macmillan/ Feiwei & Friends 2017 358p 17.99 978-1-250-08982-3
A *Razorland* companion novel, this fourth volume is set on the high seas. Tegan has become a ship's doctor but finds more drama in her relationship with Szarok, a Uroch vanguard. en route to find a new home for his people. Adventure awaits as she and companion Millie depart for Rosemere.

- ms/hs **Arbuthnott, Shane** *Dominion* HW,LM
Orca 2017 312p 19.99 978-1-4598-1117-1
Molly captures a magical spirit that can speak. It claims to have been a friend of her ancestor, Haviland Stout, and what the spirit has to say about Haviland turns Molly's world on its ear. Is everything she knows about her family's history a fabrication?
- ms/hs **Aronson, Marc & Marina** *Eyes of the World* SO,SP
Macmillan/ Henry Holt 2017 294p 22.99 978-0-8050-9835-8
This photo-biography of Robert Capa and Gerda Taro presents the lives of these pioneering photojournalists in spectacular style. The descriptive narrative is an attractive resource, well researched, and insightful. The writing is cohesive and compelling in telling their ultimately tragic stories.
- ms/hs **Avi** *The Player King* SP,CK
Simon & Schuster/ Atheneum 2017 199p 16.99 978-1-5344-0324-6
The Earl of Lincoln and a friar convince a young kitchen boy he is Prince Edward, the true heir to the English throne, in a plot to overthrow King Henry VII. Based on a true story.
- hs/adult **Bailey, Em** *The Special Ones* MS,ED
Houghton Mifflin 2017 297p 17.99 978-0-544-91229-8
An abductor has imprisoned four Special Ones as he calls them. Each has a role to fulfill in the fantasies of this sick man. A negative performance results in punishment, so the abducted must play along, all the while wondering how they will ever break free.
- elm/ms **Baker, Kate** *Secrets of the Sea* SO,VM
Candlewick Press 2017 83p 24.99 9780763698393
In this exquisitely illustrated picture book for all ages, the author and illustrator display undersea life from familiar plants and animals to little known ones found from the shallows of the oceans to their great depths.
- elm/ms **Baratz-Logsted, Lauren** *I Love You, Michael Collins* MS,SO
Macmillan/Farrar Strauss 2017 230p 16.99 978-0-374-30385-3
When Mamie is asked to choose an astronaut for a writing assignment, she chooses Michael Collins because no one else wants him. While her life unravels at home, she realizes that his life could just as quickly come undone during the flight to the moon.
- ms/hs **Bartok, Mira** *Wonderling* SO,CK
Candlewick Press 2017 450p 21.99 978-0-7636-9121-9
Number 13 is a groundling, part human, part animal, and an inhabitant of Miss Carbunkle's Home for the Wayward and Misbegotten Creatures, an orphanage that houses those poor beings who have nowhere to live. This book is a combination of the travails of David Copperfield with magic.
- hs/adult **Beatty, Erin** *Traitor's Kiss* LMN,LM
Macmillan/Imprint 2017 344p 18.99 978-1-250-11794-6
A matchmaker's assistant becomes a military advisor as potential brides make their way to their debut at a castle where potential suitors will convene. Full of secrets, intrigue, and military sorties, this is a book suitable for high school or adult readers.
- elm/ms **Beavor, Lucy** *Understanding Our Head* MS,LF,ED
Capstone Publishers 2017 32p 30.65 978-1-4109-8580-4 Brains, Body, Bones (Capstone)
Various parts of the human head are pictured and explained in lively, well-researched text. Topics include the eyes, ears, nose and mouth, and many more.
- elm/ms **Beavor, Lucy** *Understanding Our Organs* ED,SO
Capstone Publishers 2017 32p 30.65 978-1-4109-8579-8 Brains, Body, Bones (Capstone)
A look at each organ of the human body and how it functions to make our bodies work.
- elm/ms **Begler, Pete** *Fearless Travelers' Guide to Wicked Places* VM,LM,HW
Capstone Young Readers 2017 384p 14.95 978-1-62370-799-6
Nell's mother has been captured by witches and turned into a bird and Nell and her brothers must travel to the Wicked Places which is the realm in which nightmares are made. Nell must break the spell before the nightmare becomes a living one.
- * ms **Berne, Emma Carlson** *Face of Freedom: How the Photos of Frederick Douglass ...* CK,CFM
Capstone Publishers 2018 64p 34.65 978-0-7565-5617-4 Captured Science History
This is an excellent book for middle-school kids and older who are interested in the history of photography and the ways in which photography brings history alive.
- elm/ms **Berne, Emma Carlson** *What Is An Idiom When It's At Home?* CFM,CK
Capstone Publishers 2018 32p 27.32 978-1-5157-6388-8 Fact Finders (Capstone)
"An exploration of idioms, covering what they are, providing examples, and including related exercises."
- ms **Berne, Emma Carlson** *Escaping Nazis on the Kindertransport* SO,VM,HW
Capstone Publishers 2017 112p 29.99 978-1-5157-4545-7
This insightful book presents primary source information about the Holocaust. Of the six million Jews killed by the Nazis, more than 1.5 million were children. The Kindertransport succeeded in rescuing nearly ten thousand children from the clutches of the Nazis.
- ms **Berry, Julie** *The Emperor's Ostrich* SO,VM
Macmillan/ Roaring Brook Press 2017 274p 16.99 978-1-59643-958-0
What else could go wrong for the extraordinarily competent Begonia? She is on the trail of her runaway cow when fate intervenes in many ways. Berry offers an engaging well-written novel with well-developed characters, creative plot twists, wit, and drama.
- ms **Bertman, Jennifer Chandliss** *The Unbreakable Code (Book Scavenger)* LM,SO
Macmillan/ Henry Holt 2017 353p 16.99 978-1-62779-116-8
This a sequel to *Book Scavenger*. Emily, James, and her brother are off again on a new mysterious quest to find the lost puzzle.
- ms/hs **Bethell, Zillah** *A Whisper of Horses* LF,LM
Macmillan/ Feiwel & Friends 2017 338p 16.99 978-1-250-09394-3
Following the death of her mother, young Serendipity (Seren) decides to leave the confines of the city and travel across a dystopian Great Britain with a friend. Their purpose? To find horses.

- ms **Black, Holly & Cassandra** *The Silver Mask (Magisterium)* MS,JT
Scholastic Press 2017 232p 17.99 978-0-545-52236-6
Can Call bring back the dead? He must try because in this fourth book, he is called upon to bring back Aaron, formerly his best friend. Master Joseph and Alex want the control and believe this is necessary to show the world their strength.
- hs/adult **Blake, Ashley Herring** *How to Make a Wish* MS
Houghton Mifflin 2017 328p 17.99 978-0-544-81519-3
Grace has her hands full with a grieving mother who is edgy, spontaneous, and dangerous. When Grace meets Eva, she realizes her sexuality, and as their relationship grows, she knows that she must protect Eva and herself from further harm.
- elm/ms **Blashfield, Jean F.** *California Gold Rush and the 49ers* CFM,JT
Capstone Publishers 2018 32p 27.32 978-1-5157-7116-6 Fact Finders (Capstone)
"Readers will learn about the California Gold Rush, the people who went there to find their fortunes, and how this event shaped the history of California and the United States."
- elm/ms **Blashfield, Jean F.** *The Amazing Lewis and Clark Expedition* CFM,LM
Capstone Publishers 2018 32p 27.32 978-1-5157-7120-3 Fact Finders (Capstone)
"Readers will learn about the Lewis and Clark Expedition, the people who helped them along the way, and why the expedition is important in United States history."
- ms/hs **Bobulski, Chelsea** *The Wood* MS,VM
Macmillan/ Feiwel & Friends 2017 313p 17.99 978-1-250-09426-1
Winter is a guardian of the woods, a familial responsibility passed to her when her father disappears. She must return travelers who have fallen through a portal into her woods to their rightly origin. With hope of finding her father, she elicits the help of one of the lost travelers, Henry, a young man of 18th century England who is searching for his lost parents, possibly victims of one of the Old Ones turned bad.
- ms/hs **Bond, Gwenda** *Lois Lane Triple Threat* SO,LM,LMN
Capstone/Switch Press 2017 357p 16.95 978-1-63079-082-0
in this third book in the *Lois Lane* series, Lois has her hands full. Happy at her new school, she has friends, an online romance, and, best of all, a new mystery to solve.
- ms/hs **Bond, Gwenda** *Strange Alchemy* LM,LMN
Capstone Publishers 2017 320p 17.95 978-1-63079-076-9
History's mystery come to life in today's world when 114 residents of Roanoke Island disappear suddenly. Grant, grandson of Roanoke's witch, and Miranda, daughter of a cursed family, join forces to provide the readers with a tension riddled adventure.
- all ages **Bowen, Carl & Michael Dahl,** *Gods and Thunder: A Graphic Novel of Old Norse Myths* LM,VM
Capstone Publishers 2017 208p 14.95 978-1-62370-848-1
Readers will 'experience legends of mighty Thor, cunning Loki, all-seeing Odin, beloved Baldur, and many others as their deeds spring to life in this gripping, full-color graphic novel.
- ms **Braun, Eric** *Escape From Alcatraz* LF,HW
Capstone Publishers 2017 112p 29.99 978-1-5157-4551-8
Frank Morris, John Anglin, and Clarence Anglin escaped from Alcatraz prison in 1962 and have never been caught. Here is a review of the confirmed facts and general possibilities of what happened to these three men after they broke out of prison.
- ms/hs **Brimmer, Larry Dane** *Twelve Days In May* LMN,LM
Boyd's Mills/Calkins Creek 2017 109p 18.95 978-1-62979-586-7
The first Freedom Ride, an effort to test federal laws enacted to reduce discrimination, in May 1961 comes alive with succinct descriptions of events, black and white photos, and quotes of Freedom Riders and their opponents. Grades 5-12.
- elm/ms **Brown, Don & Dr. Mike Perfit** *Older Than Dirt* MS,JT
Houghton Mifflin 2017 104p 18.99 978-0-544-80503-3
Graphic novel blends with scientific concepts related to the creation of earth, all of earth's features and geologic eras with a common bond, and a 24-hour clock which shows what happened when.
- ms/hs **Burgan, Michael** *Ali's Knockdown Punch: How A Photographer Captured a Political Protest* LMN,LM
Capstone Publishers 2017 64p 34.65 978-0-7565-5527-6 Captured Sports History
A biography of Muhammad Ali put in the context of the 1960s civil rights movement. The photojournalist who captured the images of his boxing career is featured as well. Grades 4-12.
- ms/hs **Burgan, Michael** *Exposing Hidden Worlds* MS,CFM
Capstone Publishers 2018 64p 34.65 978-0-7565-5618-1 Captured Science History
With the best of the best of Riis's photographs surrounded by Burgan's powerful writing, this book features Jacob Riis, an intrepid Dane who fearlessly focused on the social issues of his times, specifically poverty, by using photographs and words.
- all ages **Burgan, Michael** *Finding the Titanic* LM,CFM
Capstone Publishers 2018 64p 34.65 978-0-7565-5640-2 Captured Science History
Photographs and informative text tell the story of the Titanic timeline through the years.
- ms **Burgan, Michael** *Japanese American Internment* CFM,SO,SP
Capstone/Compass Point 2018 112p 35.99 978-0-7565-5581-8 Eyewitness To World War II
"Discusses the Japanese American internment during World War II by the American Government."
- elm/ms **Burgan, Michael** *Turning Point: Story of D-Day Landings* LMN,HW
Capstone Publishers 2017 112p 31.99 978-1-5157-3607-3 Tangled History (Capstone)
Through eyewitnesses, both Allied Forces and German, as well as villagers, the D-Day invasion on Normandy beaches comes alive for upper elementary and middle school readers. Grades 4-8.
- elm/ms **Burns, Catherine Lloyd** *Half-True Lies of Cricket Cohen* CK,LMN
Macmillan/Farrar Strauss 2017 246p 16.99 978-0-374-30041-8
This is the story of a quirky, imaginative, 11-year-old girl living in New York City with her family, whose expectations she has a very hard time living up to. The character is compelling and will win fans.

- ms/hs **Burns, Loree Griffin** *Life on Surtsey* SO,LM
Houghton Mifflin/ Harcourt 2018 73p 18.99 978-0-544-68723-3 Scientists In the Field (HM)#8
The birth of the island of Surtsey came on November 14, 1963 when undersea volcanoes exploded off the coast of Iceland. This new addition to the series *Scientists in the Field* records the development of life on the new and sterile island.
- ms **Burt, Jake** *Greetings From Witness Protection!* LMN,MS
Macmillan/ Feiwel & Friends 2017 359p 16.99 978-1-250-10711-4
Nicki, in the foster program and a pickpocket, is placed with a family going into the witness protection program due to the mother's testimony that put a mob figure in jail. Can she fit in, can they go undetected, and will she find a forever home? Grades 4-8.
- ms/hs **Cameron, Sharon** *The Knowing* MS,ED
Scholastic Press 2017 435p 18.99 978-0-545-94524-0
In a settlement called Canaan, Sam is one of the Knowing, a group who has moved underground, believing itself to be special because members never forget anything. She respects her skills but rebels. Beckett is on an expedition from Earth to find the lost colony established years earlier. He violates every rule of remaining uninvolved and, together, Sam and Beckett try to save the Knowing and the Outsiders.
- hs/adult **Capetta, Amy Rose** *Echo After Echo* LMN,LX
Candlewick Press 2017 421p 17.99 978-0-7636-91646
Zara lands a leading part in an off-Broadway Greek tragedy and her confidence diminishes under the tutelage of a harsh lech of a director. The curse of the Aurelia Theater comes to life as people die. Outstanding imagery, taut suspense. Gr 9+
- * ms **Chamberlain, Joris & Aurelie** *Cici's Journal* LM,MS
Macmillan/ First Second 2017 149p 17.99 978-1-62672-248-4
Cici wants to become a writer. In this graphic novel Cici shows the steps she goes through to attain this goal with the help of a famous writer who lives in the same town.
- ms/hs **Cherrix, Amy** *Eye of the Storm* SO,LM
Houghton Mifflin 2017 73p 18.99 978-0-544-41165-4 Scientists In the Field (HM)#8
This book offers an incredible look into the world of super storms. The text is clearly written, if a bit more technically advanced than previous books in the series, and the incredible photographs are carefully presented and enhance the text.
- * hs **Cohen-Scali, Sarah** *Max* MS,VM
Macmillan/ Roaring Brook Press 2017 421p 21.99 978-1-62672-071-8
Max is born into the Lebensborn program, especially conceived by his Aryan mother and a German officer. Lukas is born into a well-educated Jewish family. The two come together, oddly enough, at a school for the elite where young children are trained to become the future leaders of Germany.
- elm/ms **Colich, Abby** *Babysitter's Guide to Keeping Kids Entertained* MS,HW
Capstone Publishers 2017 32p 27.99 978-1-5157-3664-6 Go-To Guides (Capstone)
With clear organization and creative ideas, this book provides guidelines for the babysitter, all designed to make a babysitting session both creative and fun. Designs include the stained glass ornament, the spider web yarn maze, the pinwheel and more.
- elm/ms **Collins, A.L.** *Homestead: A New Life On Mars (Redworld)* LM,LMN
Capstone Publishers 2018 128p 25.99 978-1-4965-4819-1
Belle Song and her family move to Redworld (Mars) to become farmers in the year 2335. She finds life there strange and rough, the kids unfriendly, and her only friend is her Android (Melody). The story follows her life as she investigates and makes friends in their new home.
- elm/ms **Collins, A.L.** *Legacy: Relic of Mars* LM,LMN
Capstone Publishers 2018 128p 25.99 978-1-4965-4822-1
Belle Song and her family move to Redworld (Mars) to become farmers in the year 2335. She finds life there strange and rough, the kids unfriendly, and her only friend is her Android (Melody). The four book series follows her life as she investigates and makes friends in their new home.
- elm/ms **Collins, A.L.** *Raiders: Water Thieves of Mars* LM,LMN
Capstone Publishers 2018 128p 25.99 978-1-4965-4820-7
Belle Song and her family move to Redworld (Mars) to become farmers in the year 2335. She finds life there strange and rough, the kids unfriendly, and her only friend is her Android (Melody). The four book series follows her life as she investigates and makes friends in their new home.
- elm/ms **Collins, A.L.** *Tharsis City: The Wonder of Mars* LM,LMN
Capstone Publishers 2018 128p 25.99 978-1-4965-4821-4
Belle Song and her family move to Redworld (Mars) to become farmers in the year 2335. She finds life there strange and rough, the kids unfriendly, and her only friend is her Android (Melody). The four book series follows her life as she investigates and makes friends in their new home.
- hs **Cook, Eileen** *Hanging Girl* LX,VM
Houghton Mifflin 2017 311p 17.99 978-0-544-82982-4
Skye Thorn is a fake psychic in desperate need of money so that she can move to New York with her best friend upon graduation, when she agrees to play a part in kidnapping scheme which goes horribly awry. Skye seeks to discover the truth which will mean both coming to terms with her complicity and her safety.
- elm/ms **Cooke, Tim** *Timeline of Fighter Jets and Bombers* SO,CFM
Capstone Publishers 2018 32p 27.99 978-1-5157-9194-2 Edge Books (Capstone) #12
This slim book offers an intriguing look at the development of aircraft that are used in war.
- elm/ms **Cooke, Tim** *Timeline of Helicopters* LMN,CFM
Capstone Publishers 2018 32p 27.99 978-1-5157-9198-0 Edge Books (Capstone) #12
A history of helicopters with inventors' names, various model specifications and timeline, military purpose, and locations where they have been used. Colorful photos, quick facts, purpose, uses in war, and glossary. Grades 3-8.

- elm/ms **Davis, Danielle** *Zinnia and the Bees* LMN,VM
Capstone Publishers 2017 240p 19.99 978-1-62370-867-2
Zinnia, an 8th grader, loves to knit. She makes a yarn bomb (like tea cozy) for the school mascot statue and gets into trouble. Her older brother goes missing, she attracts a hive of bees, and her summer is one she will never forget. Gr. 4-8
- hs **Demetrios, Heather** *Bad Romance* LT,LMN
Macmillan/ Henry Holt 2017 360p 17.99 978-1-62779-772-6
When popular Gavin starts a relationship with nerdy Grace, she can't believe her good fortune until she realizes that Gavin isn't as perfect as he seems.
- elm/ms **Durant, S.E.** *Little Bits of Sky* MS,LM
Holiday House 2017 203p 16.95 978-0-8234-3839-6
Ira and her brother, Zach, try to make Skilly House a home, but something is missing in their lives, a real home with a mum and dad. They find moments of happiness at the house, especially in their friendships with fellow orphans, but they are not truly free to be themselves until Martha brings them to her home for vacation.
- * ms **Erskine, Kathryn** *The Incredible Magic of Being* MS,LMN
Scholastic Press 2017 247p 16.99 978-1-338-14851-0
Julian's family tries to find stress-free living when they move to Maine but they find more stress when their neighbor, Mr. X, seems poised to keep their dream of opening a B and B from happening. Julian, a misfit with emotional and physical problems, struggles to help his sister Pookie find joy in their relationship. He also hopes his "moms" find time to listen to his theories on everything related to the study of the universe.
- ms/hs **Eulberg, Elizabeth** *Just Another Girl* JT,LM
Scholastic Press/Point 2017 246p 17.99 978-0-545-95628-4
An unconventional twist on the love triangle. Secrets become very hard to maintain and appearances are not everything. All wrapped around the creation of a Rube Goldberg machine. Grades 7-12.
- ms **Fayers, Claire** *Journey to Dragon Island (Sequel Voyage to Magical North)* JT,VM
Macmillan/ Henry Holt 2017 292p 16.99 978-1-62779-421-3
Sequel to The Voyage to the Magical North. Crew of the *Onion* are seeking the islands beyond the edge of the world. They find magic, information about Brine's parents, and dragon eggs. Danger, adventure, and friendship. Middle school.
- ms **Fitzgerald, Stephanie** *Kristallnacht* CFM,HW
Capstone/Compass Point 2018 112p 35.99 978-0-7565-5583-2 Eyewitness To World War II
"Recounts the events surrounding the November 1938 attacks in which Nazi troops in Germany and Austria destroyed more than eight thousand Jewish homes, businesses, and synagogues, beginning the Nazi's persecution of the Jews."
- elm/ms **Foster, Stewart** *Bubble* VM,ED
Simon & Schuster/ 2017 352p 16.99 978-1-4814-8742-9
Suffering from SCID in London, eleven-year-old Joe has been in a sterile hospital room, his bubble, for as long as he can remember and converses with his friend Henry in Philadelphia with the same condition on Skype and finds support in his sister, doctors, and nurses; one of whom is determined to take Joe outside for the first time ever.
- elm/ms **Frank, Steven B.** *Armstrong & Charlie* VM,JT
Houghton Mifflin 2017 298p 16.99 978-0-544-82608-3
In 1970s Los Angeles, Charlie is not looking forward to 6th grade as when he graduates he will be older than his older brother that he lost ever was, while Armstrong is not looking forward to 6th grade either where he'll be participating in Opportunity Busing and attending an all-white school in Hollywood, Charlie's school.
- elm/ms **Frazier, Sundee T.** *Cleo Edison Oliver in Persuasion Power* JT,CFM
Scholastic Press 2017 242p 6.99 978-0-545-82240-4
Cleo has a running business selling personalized hair clips. She is trying to make a commercial and is dealing with the issue of identifying her birth parents. Real life situations for a budding entrepreneur. Grade 4-6.
- elm/ms **Frederick, Shane** *Basketball's Record Breakers* ED,MS
Capstone Publishers 2017 32p 22.32 978-1-5157-3759-9 Sports Illustrated Kids
Great narration and awesome facts contribute to this fun read about amazing feats in professional basketball.
- ms **Freeburg, Jessica** *Collapse and Chaos* ED,LF
Capstone Publishers 2017 112p 31.99 978-1-5157-3606-6 Tangled History (Capstone)
What was it like to be in the midst of an horrific earthquake? We hear the story of survivors in their own words in this emotional look at what happens during a disaster.
- ms **Freeman, Ruth** *One Good Thing About America* ED,SP
Holiday House 2017 152p 16.95 978-0-8234-3695-8
Anais is new in Maine. Her mother, brother, and she have moved from Congo where her father and brother remain in hiding from the government. Anais is writing to her Oma over the course of the school year, where her Oma insists she write one good thing about America each day.
- * elm/ms **Furstinger, Nancy** *Unstoppable (True Stories of Amazing Bionic Animals)* JT,LM
Houghton Mifflin/ Harcourt 2018 128p 16.99 978-0-544-87966-9
Trained prosthetists have applied their skills to injured or deformed animals. Prosthetic legs, wheelchairs, or braces allow these animals to live a full life and to move in a more normal fashion. Grades 3-8.
- elm/ms **Gagne, Tammy** *Dog Encyclopedia for Kids* MS,VM
Capstone Young Readers 2017 207p 14.95 978-1-62370-694-4
Various breeds are listed along with descriptions of their appearance, personalities and backgrounds. In addition, training and care notes are included.
- ms **Gantos, Jack** *Writing Radar* MS,CK
Macmillan/Farrar Strauss 2017 203p 17.99 978-0-374-30456-0
Using the journal as a writing tool is just a start to becoming a writer. Gantos shares his vintage anecdotal stories to cement his advice in comedic storytelling fashion with illustrations and his advice takes future writers from soup to nuts in the writing process.

- * ms **Giff, Patricia Reilly** *Genevieve's War* ED,JT
Holiday House 2017 222p 16.95 978-0-8234-3800-6
In 1939, Genevieve is staying with her grandmother Meme in France. The war is coming and she is due to return home. But rather than getting on that first train, she decides to stay behind. What follows is the bravery of two women to help those in need and fight with the Resistance against the Nazi's-even when they knock on their door and are there to stay-literally.
- * ms/hs **Glaser, Mehthild** *The Book Jumper* LM,SO
Macmillan/ Feiwel & Friends 2017 371p 17.99 978-1-250-08666-2
Amy Lennox loves reading. She discovers that she is part of a book jumping family. However, all is not well in "Book Land." Amy and a cohort must jump into the books to find out why parts of the stories are disappearing.
- ms/hs **Gourley, Catherine, ed.** *Journeys: Young Readers' Letters to Authors Who Changed Their Lives* VM, LM
Candlewick Press 2017 226p 9.99 978-0-76369-5781
Compilation of letters written by elementary, middle, and high school students to authors, both living and deceased, expressing how their books touched them in a profound personal manner.
- ms **Gratz, Alan** *Refugee* MS,CFM
Scholastic Press 2017 338p 16.99 978-0-545-88083-1
Isabel (Cuban), Mahmoud (Syrian) and Josef (Jewish) tell the stories of their families' harrowing escapes from a dictator, a civil war, and Nazi Germany. Each child is deeply torn by the adult decisions forced on them, the dangers of the journey and the devastating loss felt by all three.
- ms/hs **Greenberg, Jan & Sandra** *Meet Cindy Sherman* LMN,LM
Macmillan/ Roaring Brook Press 2017 64p 19.99 978-1-62672-520-1
A biography of the photographer who turned photography from a documentary medium into a creative, storytelling medium with her selfies before selfie was coined as a word. Many illustrations to show the diverse characters she created. Grades 7+
- elm/ms **Griffiths, Andy** *The 65 Story Treehouse* JT,MS
Macmillan/ Feiwel & Friends 2017 377p 13.99 978-1-250-10246-1
Halfway between novel and graphic novel. Hilarious adventures through time in an attempt to save the treehouse from demolition. Grades 3-6.
- elm/ms **Hackett, Jennifer** *Game Design(Behind the Scenes)* SO,LM
Scholastic/ Childrens Press 2018 48p 31.00 978-0-531-23503-4 A True Book (Sch/Childrens)
Beginning with a timeline of game development and moving into the earliest of electronic games and controllers, the author goes on to discuss the different types of computer-based gaming, the process of designing a video game, and the changes that cutting edge technology will bring to this industry.
- ms/hs **Halahmy, Miriam** *Behind Closed Doors* JT,VM
Holiday House 2017 242p 16.95 978-0-8234-3641-5
Josie hides the truth that her mother is a hoarder. Tasha is escaping threatened sexual assault by her mother's boyfriend. Together they help each other. Grade 8 up.
- hs **Halpern, Julie** *Meant to Be* ED,CK
Macmillan/ Feiwel & Friends 2017 313p 17.99 978-1-250-09498-8
Six years ago, names started appearing on people's chests at 18, the name of the person with whom they are meant to be. Agatha is determined to avoid the itchy name on her chest and enjoy her summer swooning over Luke Jacobs and then moving to Australia to be a carry. She just has to avoid looking up her MTB.
- ms/hs **Hansen, Dustin** *Game On!* SP,LF
Macmillan/ Feiwel & Friends 2016 352p 19.99 978-1-250-08095-0
The book explains the fast and furious growth and evolution of video games.
- elm/ms **Harbo, Christopher** *Easy Origami Decorations* LMN,LM
Capstone Publishers 2017 24p 26.65 978-1-5157-3586-1 Origami Crafting 4D (Capstone)
Fold ornaments that can be hung on strings to be used as celebratory decorations. Step-by-step directions including an app for mobile devices that show each step, or at capstone4d.com for laptops. Unique designs for grades 3 and up.
- ms **Hautman, Pete** *Slider* LT,VM
Candlewick Press 2017 278p 16.99 9780763690700
After "borrowing" his mother's credit card, and making a \$2,000 mistake, David Miller enters food eating contests to earn back the money he owes her before she learns the truth.
- hs/adult **Heiligman, Deborah** *Vincent & Theo* LM,LMN,CK
Macmillan/ Henry Holt 2017 454p 19.99 978-0-8050-9339-1
A comprehensive biography of two brothers who shared and supported each other throughout life's highs and lows. The information was based on the letters between Vincent and Theo over the course of their life.
- elm/ms **Hertz, Kellen** *Tenney in the Key of Friendship* JT,LMN
Scholastic Press 2017 172p 9.99 978-1-338-11756-1
New American Girl -Tenney desires a career as a singer/song writer. She is searching for her own voice and is only twelve. Her big break comes but not quite as expected. Authentic voice and very realistic situations. Grades 3-8.
- ms **Hetrick, Hans** *Baseball's Record Breakers* ED,VM
Capstone Publishers 2017 32p 22.32 978-1-5157-3760-5 Sports Illustrated Kids
A look at Baseball's top players and the records that have been set over the years.
- elm/ms **Hetrick, Hans** *Real Heroes of Sports Breaking Barriers* MS,HW
Capstone Publishers 2017 32p 25.99 978-1-5157-4434-4 Real Heroes of Sports
Sports heroes include those who have done more than win. Winning comes from having a spirit within that causes you to serve others, accomplish miracles and break barriers. The heroes of this book have all contributed to the betterment of others.

- * elm/ms **Hiatt-Harlow, Joan** *Breaker Boy* LM,LMN
Simon & Schuster/ McElderry 2017 258p 16.99 978-1-4814-8534-0
In 1911, eleven-year-old Corey leaves school to help out his family by working in the coal mines as a breaker boy. He must face his fear of being afraid to go down into the mine so that he can help his family.
- ms/hs **Hinds, Gareth** *Poe: Stories and Poems* LM,LMN
Candlewick Press 2017 103p 14.00 978-0-7636-9509-5
Illustrations in this graphic novel perfectly capture the story/poem's mood as well as human emotions of characters in this vibrant presentation of four short stories and three poems of Edgar Allan Poe. Addendum includes inspiration for art. Gr. 6-12
- elm/ms **Hoena, Blake** *Hades and the Underworld: A Chilling Interactive Adventure* JT,VM
Capstone Publishers 2017 112p 31.99 978-1-5157-4823-6 You Choose: Greek
The reader chooses the character they want to be to rescue Persephone from the world of Hades. Many of the Greek myths come into play as the reader makes choices in the plot. Good supporting information to the study of mythology.
- elm/ms **Hoena, Blake** *Surviving Mount Everest* MS,JT
Capstone Publishers 2018 112p 31.99 978-1-5157-7169-2 You Choose: Surviving Extreme
You choose your adventure as you attempt to climb Mount Everest. You can live or die. The likelihood of death is extreme, and the ways one might die as unique as the challenge of climbing Everest.
- * ms/hs **Holbrook, Sara** *The Enemy* LF,CK
Boyd's Mills/Calkins Creek 2017 256p 17.95 97801-62979-498-3
Marjorie Campbell is a junior high student in the 1950s. As with all girls her age, she is trying to find her own path, which is often impacted by her friends and family. Her dad suffers from PTSD from WWII, her best friend is a bit of a xenophobe as a direct result of the Cold War world view of the time, and her mother who is closet rebel. In the end, Marjorie comes to her own conclusions about what is really important
- elm/ms **Holm, Jennifer L. & Matthew** *Swing it, Sunny* VM,CFM
Scholastic/Graphix 2017 217p 12.99 978-0-545-74172-9
Summer 1976 is over and Sunny is dealing with entering middle school while living at home with her distracted parents, continuing a strong relationship with her helpful grandfather long-distance in Florida, and without her older brother who has been sent to boarding school to help with his drug problem.
- ms/hs **Hoover, P.J.** *Tut: My Epic Battle to Save the World* SO,JT
Macmillan/Tor Books 2017 336p 15.95 978-0-7653-9082-0
Gil is gone. Gilgamesh, guardian of the teenaged Tutankhamun, has disappeared and Tut is desperately trying to find him. This solidly written fantasy will hold the reader's attention from beginning to end with its lively prose and well-developed characters, creative plot twists, wit, and dramatic story line. This is the second book in Hoover's series about the young Pharaoh Tutankhamun transported to modern times but it can be read as a stand-alone as well with hints of a sequel there as well.
- elm/ms **Hosch, Amanda** *Mabel Opal Pearl and the Rules for Spying* JT,CFM
Capstone Publishers 2017 272p 26.65 978-1-62370-805-4
Best book in the spy genre. Mabel's parents are secret agents but it is a secret agency. When her parents leave on another mission, relatives come with fake documents and are searching the house. Grades 3-7.
- ms **Hughes, Alison** *Kings of the Court* LMN,CK
Orca 2017 192p 9.95 978-1-4598-1219-2
A brutal basketball coach is fired to be replaced with a drama teacher who loves Shakespearean quotes. The team eventually rallies around the new coach and excels even without their star scorers. Humor, perseverance, and drama abound. Gr 5-8.
- ms/hs **Hutto, Joe** *When I Was a Turkey* CK, SO
Henry Holt 2017 178 p 19.99 978-1-62779-385-8
This is the true-life adventure of Joe Hutto, an American naturalist who decided to raise a bunch of wild turkeys from birth, after having them imprint on him as their parent. He made a TV show about it as well, called *My Life As a Turkey*.
- ms/hs **Hutton, Keely** *Soldier Boy* LX,VM
Macmillan/Farrar Strauss 2017 326p 17.99 978-0-374-30563-5
Based on the true story of Ugandan Ricky Richard Anywar who was abducted in 1989 at fourteen by Kony's Lord's Resistance Army, interspersed with the story of Samuel, a composite of recent child soldiers, this novel recounts in vivid, realistic detail, the horrors of children conscripted to fight the wars of men.
- * hs **iTurbe, Antonio** *Librarian of Auschwitz* ED,LM
Macmillan/ Henry Holt 2018 423p 19.99 978-1-62779-618-7
Based on the life of Auschwitz survivor Dita Karus, who served as the librarian to eight forbidden books in the children's block of the infamous concentration camp during World War II. A story of survival in the most brutal conditions imaginable is brought to life.
- elem **Jacobsmeier, Nicki** *Surviving the Iditarod* JT,MS
Capstone Publishers 2018 112p 31.99 978-1-5157-7170-8 You Choose: Surviving Extreme
As a racer in the Iditarod, the reader must make choices that end either in success or failure. Along the way the reader learns about the dangers and perils along the trail. History of the race is also given. Grades 3-6.
- all ages **Jenkins, Martin** *Exploring Space* LM,CFM
Candlewick Press 2017 60p 17.99 978-0-7636-8931-5
Readers will learn about the story of exploring Space from Galileo to the Mars Rover and beyond. Accompanied by watercolor pen and ink illustrations by Stephen Biesty.
- elm/ms **Jenkins, Martin** *Jonathan Swift Gulliver's Travels: Voyage to Lilliput* SO,LM
Candlewick Press 2017 39p 8.99 978-0-76369-3497
The *Voyage to Lilliput* is the best-known of Jonathan Swift's satiric stories in *Gulliver's Travels*. In this retelling of the tale of Gulliver's shipwreck and capture by miniscule people, Jenkins has modernized the language without sacrificing any of the quality.
- ms **Jones, Kari** *A Fair Deal Shopping for Social Justice* SO,CFM
Orca 2017 48p 19.95 978-1-4598-1043-3 Footprint series (Orca)
Buying fair trade items are one way to improve the lives of people around the world. By putting one's money where one's heart is, one can add to the cause of social justice and help prevent virtual slavery and child labor.

- ms/hs **Jorgensen, Katrina** *Fearless Food: Allergy-Free Recipes for Kids* LM,ED
Capstone Publishers 2017 144p 14.95 978-1-62370-608-1
A beautifully illustrated and kid friendly cookbook with allergy free recipes. It includes healthy options for breakfast, snacks, sides, main dishes, and desserts. Also, included are recipes for multiple allergies.
- all ages **Kenney, Sean** *Building Amazing Creations* LMN,LM
Macmillan/ Henry Holt 2017 382p 24.99 978-1-62779-018-5
For any lover of LEGOs, Sean Kenney has chronicled his most amazing projects. Part biography, part an "I Spy" look at how LEGO pieces are repurposed in a creation, and an imagination kickstarter for Maker Spaces in schools. For all ages.
- ms/hs **Kessler, Liz** *Haunt Me* MS,LMN
Candlewick Press 2017 371p 17.99 978-0-7636-91622
Joe dies; Erin's family moves into his home after his family sadly departs. When Erin finds Joe's poetry written on his bedroom wall, Joe appears as a ghost and the two fall for each other. Oily, Joe's brother, meets Erin and pursues her, much to Joe's dismay. The twist? Oily does not know that Erin has a relationship with his dead brother.
- ms/hs **Key, Watt** *Hideout* LM,LF
Macmillan/Farrar Strauss 2017 311p 16.99 978-0-374-30482-9
"The son of a Mississippi policeman finds a boy living in hiding in the wilderness and tries to help him without giving away his secret."
- elm/ms **Koch, Falynn** *Plagues: The Microscopic Battlefield* LM,LMN
Macmillan/ First Second 2018 122p 12.99 978-1-62672-752-6
A great introduction to plagues and the worlds of disease and immunities in comic book form. Readers will enjoy having a well researched science book in graphic form.
- ms/hs **Kops, Deborah** *Alice Paul and the Fight for Women's Rights* MS,LX
Boyd's Mills/Calkins Creek 2017 220p 17.95 978-1-62979-323-8
Alice Paul knew how to build interest in and fight for her cause. She won support by relentlessly sticking to her agenda, by creatively outthinking her opponents and by putting herself on the chopping block day and night, fearlessly fighting for the Equal Rights Amendment.
- ms/jr **Korman, Gordon** *Restart* CK,JT
Scholastic Press 2017 243p 16.99 978-1-338-05377-7
When Chase wakes up from a coma, he discovers he has lost large parts of his memory, including the fact that he was the world's biggest bully!
- ms **Krawitz, Susan** *Viva, Rose!* SO,VM
Holiday House 2017 233p 16.95 978-0-8234-3756-6
Based on a true story from Krawitz's family, *Viva, Rose!* opens in El Paso in 1915. Set among Pancho Villa's revolutionaries, this is engaging, suspenseful, well-written historical fiction with excellent characterizations and a well-paced plot. It is sure to entice young readers.
- ms/hs **Lambert, Mary E.** *Family Game Night and Other Catastrophies* LM,LF
Scholastic Press 2017 245p 16.99 978-0-545-93198-4
Annabelle's home is a disaster. Her mom is a hoarder. The story shows how one family came to deal with the ever trending inability to cope.
- ms/hs **Landman, Tanya** *Hell & High Water* MS,CFM
Candlewick Press 2017 312p 17.99 978-0-7636-8875-2
Caleb struggles to survive following the conviction of his father for robbery. The two had managed to survive thanks to their puppet shows. However, Caleb's new home, with his Aunt Anne, brings intriguing challenges including a need to figure out what truly happened to the man washed ashore, wearing Caleb's father's ring.
- elm/ms **Langston-George, Rebecca** *Deep Cover Spies and Double Crossers of the Cold War* LF,HW
Capstone Publishers 2017 64p 33.99 978-0-7565-5497-2 Spies (Capstone)
Throughout the Cold War, spies played a key role in the 'sharing' of classified information between the two sides: East vs. West. The exploits and lives of six of the key spies is explored: Gary Powers, Julius & Ethel Rosenberg, George Blaker, Janet Chisholm, and Pham Xuan An.
- ms **Larson, Kirby** *Audacity Jones Steals the Show* LM,SO
Scholastic Press 2017 176p 16.99 978-0-545-84065-1
Audacity Jones is an orphan and a student at Miss Maisie's School for Wayward Girls. Her wish for an adventure takes her off once again to New York City to help the Great Houdini perform a magic trick.
- elm/ms **Lassieur, Allison** *Cyber Spies and Secret Agents of Modern Times* LF,HW
Capstone Publishers 2017 64p 33.99 978-0-7565-5498-9 Spies (Capstone)
Even in modern times, spies play a key role in the 'sharing' of classified information (legitimately or illegitimately) between nations, organizations and individuals. Today many of the spies have been from Russia and 'hide in plain sight', or disenchanting Americans such as Edward Snowden. The emphasis of this book is not so much on the HUMINT (and the need for more) but on the variety of people and tools used in cyber spying.
- elm/ms **Lassieur, Allison** *Stanley Hotel: A Chilling Interactive Adventure* JT,ED
Capstone Publishers 2017 112p 31.99 978-1-5157-3650-9 You Choose: Haunted
A Choose Your Own Adventure type of story. Based on the history of the real Stanley Hotel in Estes Park, CO that is known to be haunted. Reader has multiple paths to 16 endings. Grades 3-6.
- ms **Lawlor, Laurie** *Super Women* MS,SO
Holiday House 2017 58p 17.95 978-0-8234-3675-0
When women such as these face challenges as fearlessly as Clark, Elion, Johnson, Tharp, Ellis and Burbidge did in an attempt to live out their passion and change lives for the better, they are formidable achievers. Marine biology, chemistry, cartography, space exploration, archaeology and astronomy are so much the better for their efforts.

- hs **Lazebnik, Claire** *Things I Should Have Known* MS,VM
Houghton Mifflin 2017 313p 17.99 978-0-544-82969-5
Chloe tries to help her sister with high-functioning autism find a boyfriend. Ethan, her choice, has a brother with whom she relates, the common denominator that they are both siblings of special teens. In school, however, Chloe and David have nothing in common.
- all ages **Lewis, J. Patrick** *Keep A Pocket in Your Poem* LM,LMN
Boyd's Mills/Word Song 2017 32p 17.95 978-1-59078-921-6
A collection of thirteen classic poems selected by J. Patrick Lewis. Accompanying each poem is a playful parody written by J.P. Lewis.
- ms **Lim, Celeste** *The Crystal Ribbon* SO,VM
Scholastic Press 2017 338p 17.99 978-0-545-76703-3
Set in medieval China in the time of the Song Dynasty, the novel tells the magical story of Jing, the eleven-year-old daughter of a Chinese farmer. This is engaging, suspenseful, well-written historical fiction with the Chinese words explained in context. The excellent characterizations and a well-paced plot add much to the story and it is sure to appeal to young readers.
- * ms/hs **Long, Hayley** *Sophie Someone* MS,VM
Candlewick 2017 258P 16.99 978-0-7636-8995-7
Sophie must figure out what happened back in England. She recognizes that her parents are pretending to be Belgian. Sophie knows this as well as she knows that she had a past before she became a Niewenleven, a family with something to hide.
- ms/hs **Losure, Mary** *Isaac the Alchemist: Secrets of Isaac Newton, Revealed* SO,LM
Candlewick Press 2017 163p 19.99 978-0-7636-7063-4
The incredible life of Isaac Newton, "father of modern physics," is made accessible in this admirable biography.
- ms/hs **Lourie, Peter** *Jack London and the Klondike Gold Rush* LM,LMN
Macmillan/ Henry Holt 2017 192p 18.99 978-0-8050-9757-3
Here is a compelling story of how one writer drew upon a rugged life of adventure in the Klondike to create classic works of literature.
- ms **Margolis, Leslie** *We Are Party People* MS,CFM
Macmillan/Farrar Strauss 2017 278p 16.99 978-1-374-30388-4
Pixie is shy, preferring a life in which she can remain under the radar. She is not one of Jenna's glamorous groupies nor does she put herself out there to perform at one of her parent's parties. (They are party planners.) She needs to develop her confidence, but is she brave enough?
- * ms/hs **McGoran, Jon** *Spliced* LM,MS
Holiday House 2017 18.95 362p 978-0-8234-3855-6
In this world where Humans can combine their DNA with animal DNA, Jimi is desperate to find her friend Del before he does something drastic with his life. Will Del get spliced and survive? Or will Jimi find him first?
- ms/hs **McLemore, Anna Marie** *Wild Beauty* VM,SO
Macmillan/ Feiwel & Friends 2017 352p 17.99 978-1-250-12455-5
La Pradera is home to the Nomeolvides who tend the enchanted gardens and where outcasts of the prestigious Briar family are sent; where the lovers of the Nomeolvides women vanish for being loved too deeply; and where suddenly a young man, Fel, awakens in the garden with no memory of who he is or where he came from.
- hs **Menon, Sandhya** *When Dimple Met Rishi* LMN,CK
Simon & Schuster/ Simon Pulse 2017 384p 17.99 978-1-4814-7868-7
Dimple goes to a summer coding camp where she meets Rishi who lets Dimple know that their parents have arranged their marriage. Thus begins the push-pull between them. Cultural expectation and burgeoning independent explode their lives. Gr 10+.
- ms **Mershel, Michael** *Revenge of the Star Survivors* JT
Holiday House 2017 312p 17.95 978-0-8234-3667-5
Narrator Clark writes as if it is the log of a starship from his favorite TV show. He describes bullying in the middle school. The underdogs win by helping each other. Grades 5-8.
- ms/hs **Meyer, Carolyn** *Girl With A Camera* SO,LMN
Boyd's Mills/Calkins Creek 2017 234p 17.95 978-1-62979-584-3
In this fictionalized biography, Carolyn Meyer makes accessible the life of Margaret Bourke-White. It is sure to encourage readers to further study and to discover her landmark photographs.
- elm/ms **Meyer, William** *The Search for the Lost Prophecy* JT,VM
Sleeping Bear Press 2018 205p 16.99 978-1-58536-982-9
Book 2 in the Timekeepers. Horace discovers another portal. This time it leads to 1920's Detroit. He is tasked to protect the Benben stone but he needs the help of his friends. Mystery and excitement with time travel. Grades 3-7.
- elm/ms **Micklos, John** *First Amendment: Freedom of Speech and Religion* SO,LM
Capstone Publishers 2018 32p 27.32 978-1-5157-7164-7 Fact Finders (Capstone)
Micklos begins with a chapter on the creation and full copy of the Bill of Rights and continues with a well-researched and insightful look at the First Amendment, a discussion of a subject that has polarized communities.
- ms/hs **Micklos, John Jr.** *Harlem Hellfighters: African-American Heroes in WW I* MS,CFM
Capstone Publishers 2017 32p 27.32 978-1-5157-3348-5 Military Heroes (Capstone-Fact
Contributions of this black fighting unit during WWI are enumerated in this volume which teaches readers basic information about the cause of the war, the need for more troops, and the struggles which the men faced both at home and abroad. The men quickly gained status as fighters to reckon with.
- elm/ms **Micklos, John Jr.** *Seal Team Six: Battling Terrorism Worldwide* HW,LF
Capstone Publishers 2017 32p 27.32 978-1-5157-3347-8 Military Heroes (Capstone-Fact
Describes the origins and operations of SeAL Team Six, a U.S. special operations force.

ms **Middleton, Dana** *Open If You Dare* MS,VM

Macmillan/ Feiwel & Friends 2017 279p 16.99 978-1-250-08572-6

When Rose has to move to England with her family and Ally's baseball pitching turns sour, Birdie tries to help both at the same time she comes to terms with her own feelings about being alone as she embarks on her journey to middle school. A mysterious letter sets the three on a crime-solving mission that keeps them guessing.

ms/hs **Milford, Kate** *Ghosts of Greenglass House* VM,SO

Houghton Mifflin/Clarion 2017 456p 17.99 978-0-544-99146-0

Milo is trying to settle into his winter break at his family's inn when the bell rings and he knows the holidays will be anything but quiet again this year.

elm/ms **Mobley, Jeannie** *Bobby Lee and the Criminal Element* LMN,ED

Holiday House 2017 228p 16.95 978-0-8234-3781-8

Bobbie Lee, 13 years old, decides to travel to Chicago to become a criminal in a famous gang. His trip via railroad from New Orleans to Chicago is packed with action and mystery. Topics of Jim Crow Laws, steam railroad facts. Grades 4-8.

hs **Monniger, Joseph** *Game Change* SP,LM

Houghton Mifflin 2017 225p 17.99 978-0-544-53122-2

Zeb Holloway, a senior back up quarterback, suddenly finds himself the center of attention when the starter goes down with an injury the week before the state championship game.

ms/hs **Montgomery, Sy** *Amazon Adventure* SO,LM

Houghton Mifflin 2017 72p 18.99 978-0-544-35299-5 Scientists In the Field (HM)#8

In this book, naturalist Sy Montgomery takes the reader on a trip up the Amazon in the dry season to meet the piaberos, catchers of the freshwater fish that stock home aquariums.

ms/hs **Moon, Sarah** *Sparrow* JT,MS

Scholastic/Arthur Levine 2017 264p 18.99 978-1-338-03258-1

To escape her social ineptness, Sparrow, tunes out and flies. The story is how she learns to cope and improves very slowly with the help of a therapist. About an eighth grader but psychologically very deep. Grade 7 up.

elm/ms **Morpurgo, Michael** *An Eagle In The Snow* VM,LM

Macmillan/ Feiwel & Friends 2017 133p 16.99 978-1-250-10515-8

Barney's home in England 1940, has been destroyed by bombs, and, as he and his mother travel by train to live with his aunt, a fellow passenger tells a remarkable story about two young soldiers.

ms **Nicol, James** *The Apprentice Witch* SO,VM

Scholastic/Chicken House 2017 318p 16.99 978-1-338-11858-2

Arianwyn has failed her assessment test and will always be an apprentice witch. She is sent to the small town of Lull on the edge of the Great Woods where her magical abilities are truly tested.

ms/hs **Nix, Garth** *Frogkisser* SO,VM

Scholastic/ Childrens Press 2017 372p 18.99 978-1-3380-5208-4

Princess Anya must save the kingdom from her evil stepstep father (who is casing spells on eligible, prospective princes and turning them into frogs) and her clueless sister and find a cure that will turn the frogs back into young men.

elm/ms **Nix, Garth & Sean Williams** *Have Sword Will Travel* JT,SO

Scholastic Press 2017 274p 17.99 978-0-545-25902-6

Odo and Eleanor Find an enchanted sword and set out to have adventures and find out why the river is drying up. They meet an evil knight and a dragon. Fast paced adventure. Grades 4-7.

ms/hs **O'Sullivan, Joanne** *Between Two Skies* LMN,CK

Candlewick Press 2017 267P 16.99 978-0-7636-9034-2

Superb imagery combined with heartfelt emotions. Life in the Bayou for the Riley family is hard scrabble but satisfying to Evangeline. After Hurricane Katrina, her family starts to fray after being displaced to Atlanta. Excellent story of love and loss and hope. Gr 7+

elm/ms **Oachs, Emily Rose** *Lykan HyperSport* LMN,SO

Scholastic/ Childrens Press 2017 24p 17.25 978-0-531-23931-5 Car Crazy

A unique car built in Dubai by W Motors, there are only seven built. One was used in *Furious 7* movie. Because of the multimillion dollar price, few can afford these extremely fast cars. Nice to see a book on a lesser known brand. Grades 2-7.

elm/ms **Orenstein, Denise Gosliner** *Dirt* JT,CFM

Scholastic Press 2017 212p 16.99 978-0-545-92585-3

Yonder has her troubles but moves a Shetland pony named Dirt into her house to prevent the sale of him for horse meat. Adventure ensues as she rescues Dirt and other animals. Grades 3-7.

ms **Otfinoski, Steven** *3D Printing* SP,LM

Scholastic/ Childrens Press 2017 64p 30.00 978-0-531-21865-5 Calling All Innovators

Discover how today's innovators are finding ways to make 3D printers smaller, easier to use, and more affordable than ever.

* ms/hs **Paisley, Erinne** *Can Your Smartphone Change the World?* ED,CFM

Orca 2017 133p 14.95 978-1-4598-1303-8

Students interested in activism will love reading Paisley's story. It begins with the prom dress she made out of old math homework while using the money she would have spent on a dress to support Malala.org and women's education. It ends with a variety of ways in which anyone can become active in their community and the world.

* ms **Paterson, Katherine** *My Brigadista Year* CK, LMN

Candlewick Press 2017 198p 15.99 978-0-7636-9508-8

In this excellent novel, Paterson follows a year in the life of a young Cuban girl who joins a literacy brigade shortly after the Cuban Revolution in 1960 and experiences the Bay of Pigs invasion.

- elm/ms **Peterson, Megan Cooley** *National Museum of American History* LM,CFM
Capstone/Compass Point 2018 32p 27.99 978-1-5157-7976-6 Smithsonian Field Trips
The author has written an easy to read book showing some of America's treasured pieces of history found in the National Museum of American History.
- elem **Peterson, Megan Cooley** *The National Air and Space Museum* CFM,LM
Capstone Publishers 2018 32p 27.99 978-1-5157-7974-2 Smithsonian Field Trips
"Text and photographs look at some of the exhibits at the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum."
- * elm/ms **Phibrick, Rodman** *Who Killed Darius Drake?* JT,CK
Scholastic Press 2017 182p 17.99 978-0-545-78978-3
Being big for his age, Arthur Bash hires himself out as protection to his fellow middle school students. He is hired by Darius Drake, and together they solve an old mystery. Great suspense, action and friendship. Grades 4-7.
- elm/ms **Pincus, Greg** *The Homework Strike* VM,SO
Scholastic/Arthur Levine 2017 264p 16.99 978-0-439-91301-0
Gregory is fed up with all the homework in middle school, it devours all his time and does not leave him any time to do what he really loves- write; so, he embarks on a homework strike to make his voice heard.
- ms/hs **Rapp, Adam and Mike** *Decelerate Blue* HW,LM
Macmillan/ First Second 2017 194p 17.99 978-1-59643-109-6
In a fast-paced dystopian future, Angela rebels by joining a group of rebels who are attempting to slow down the pace of society.
- ms **Rappaport, Doreen** *42 Is Not Just a Number* SO,CK
Candlewick Press 2017 119p 15.99 9780763676247
Another excellent addition to the biographies chronicling the life of Jackie Robinson, the first African-American to integrate major league baseball.
- ms/hs **Reef, Catherine** *Florence Nightingale* SP,LF
Houghton Mifflin/Clarion 2017 184p 18.99 978-0-544-53580-0
Recounts the determination of Florence Nightingale to completely restructure the field of nursing.
- ms/hs **Reef, Catherine** *Victoria: Portrait of a Queen* LM,SO
Houghton Mifflin/Clarion 2017 256p 18.99 978-0544716148
In June 1837, a young eighteen-year-old young girl awoke to find herself Queen of England. Her reign lasted for sixty-three years and was known as the Victorian period.
- ms/hs **Reeve, Philip** *Black Light Express* JT,LM,LT
Capstone Publishers 2018 352p 17.95 978-1-63079-096-7
Sequel to *Railhead*. Stands alone if reader familiarizes self with the glossary. Sentient trains, fantastic aliens, thrilling escapes and action make this fantasy an exciting read. Grades 7-10
- all ages **Renner, Benjamin** *Big Bad Fox* LMN,CK
Macmillan/Imprint 2017 187p 15.99 978-1-62672-331-3
A wimpy fox, goaded by a wolf, steals three eggs that when hatched consider him "mother." The fox raises the chicks, deals with the fierce wolf, and wins over the barnyard. Perfect for anyone who loves a cartoon based humorous story.
- * hs **Reynolds, Jason** *Long Way Down* ED,VM
Simon & Schuster/ 2017 304p 17.99 978-1-5344-0322-2
Will's brother was shot and he is going to follow the rules. No crying, no snitching, and get revenge no matter what. But on his way to get the guy who got Shawn, he meets some unexpected people in the elevator who might be able to convince him that the rules don't always apply.
- elm/ms **Rodriguez, David & Ignacio** *Moby Dick* CK,CFM
Capstone Publishers 2018 78p 27.32 978-1-4965-5573-1
This graphic-novel version of the classic story Moby Dick, translated from Spanish, is very well done, and it includes notes on Melville, information on legendary whales, and notes on the novel and the movies that have been made from it.
- * ms **Rosenblatt, Darcey** *Lost Boys* MS,LX
Macmillan/ Henry Holt 2017 279p 16.99 978-1-62779-758-0
When Reza's best friend Ebi wants to enlist in the Iranian army, Reza finds himself reluctantly pulled into a nightmare from which he cannot return. First rejected by his own mother who insists that he serve his country, then sent to the front to face the enemy, he survives to become a prisoner in an Iraqi camp where horrors abound.
- elm/ms **Rubin, Sarah** *The Impossible Clue* LM,LF
Scholastic/Chicken House 2017 293p 17.99 978-0-545-94025-2
Alice Jones has a way of solving mysteries. A classmate talked her into helping his father find his missing partner, a scientist who was inventing an invisible suit.
- ms/hs **Rusch, Elizabeth** *Impact! Asteroids and the Science of Saving the World* SO,LM
Houghton Mifflin/ Harcourt 2018 76p 18.99 978-0-544-67159-1 Scientists In the Field (HM)#8
While asteroids assault our atmosphere on a daily basis with little impact on human lives, there have been some major strikes. Rusch discusses several of the big hits including one in Russia in 2013.
- ms **Rust, Ned** *Patrick Griffin's First Birthday on Ith* JT,LMN
Macmillan/ Roaring Brook Press 2017 288p 16.99 978-1-62672-344-3
Book 2 of series. More adventures of Patrick on Ith and Bun-bun on Earth as the date for Rex to take over Earth comes closer. Reminiscent of Adams' *Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy*. Middle school.
- ms/hs **Saenz, Benjamin Alire** *The Inexplicable Logic of My Life* MS,CFM
Houghton Mifflin/Clarion 2017 445p 17.99 978-0-544-58650-5
Salvador and Samantha are best friends with a unique honesty and sarcastic wit that is engaging and entertaining. Death of a family member knocks at the door of both teens, and they learn the value of family, friendship, loving relationships and acceptance.

- elm/ms **Sapphire, Patrick** *Emperor of Mars (Dragon Tomb Series Bk 2)* JT,SO
Macmillan/ Henry Holt 2017 355p 16.99 978-0-8050-9908-9
Book 2 of Secrets of the Dragon Tomb series. Steampunk on Mars. Edward and his family fight against Dr. Blood again. This time the dragon egg hatches. More adventures to come. Grades 3-7.
- ms/hs **Sanders, Bernie** *Guide To Political Revolution* CK,SO
Macmillan/ Henry Holt 2017 226p 16.99 978-1-250-13890-3
In this heartfelt appeal to young readers, Bernie Sanders makes his case for a kinder, more just America.
- ms/hs **Sandler, Martin W.** *The Whydah: a pirate ship feared, wrecked, and found* LM,CFM
Candlewick Press 2017 170p 19.99 978-0-7636-8033-6
This book highlights the history and mysteries of a famous pirate and a famous ship, Whydah.
- * ms/hs **Schulman, L.B.** *Stolen Secrets* MS,VM
Boyd's Mills Press 2017 303p 17.95 978-1-62979-722-9
Livvy and her mother move to California for a new start. Instead, Livvy finds herself embarking on a journey of discovery, first to figure out who Oma (Grandmother) really is and second, to find recovery from alcoholism for Livvy's mother. With historical fiction as the setting and the Holocaust as a compelling topic, Livvy finds herself completely absorbed.
- hs/adult **Scott, Katie and Willis, Kathy** *Botanicum* LF,LM
Candlewick Press 2017 95p 35.00 978-0-7636-8923-0
Visit a museum botanical collection in the pages of this book. Topics addressed include: the first plants; trees, palms and cycads, herbaceous plants, grasses, cattails, sedges, and rushes, orchids and bromeliads, and adapting to environments.
- hs **Self, Jeffrey** *a Very, Very bad thing* LT,LMN
Scholastic Press/Push 2017 225p 17.99 978-1-338-11840-7
Marley, a gay teenager with little purpose or direction, finds passion and love through his relationship with the new boy at school, Christopher, whose parents are noted anti-gay evangelists. The dynamic results in heartbreak, loss, and learning to accept the consequences of lies and decisions.
- elm/ms **Sheinmel, Courtney** *Zacktastic: Twinsanity* MS,JT
Sleeping Bear Press 2017 277p 11.99 978-1-58536-936-2
In this sequel to Book One, Zack attends genie school where he makes new friends and realizes the history of his powers. Conflicts burst out when his twin Quinn, finds herself afflicted with the same powers, powers that she does not want. Together they must figure out how to escape the clutches of the evil twin of Uncle Max, and a villain named Linx.
- ms **Shofner, Corabel** *Almost Paradise* SP,LM
Macmillan/Farrar Strauss 2017 296p 16.99 978-0-374-30378-5
Twelve-year-old Ruby Clyde Henderson has her world turned upside down when her mother's boyfriend holds up a convenience store.
- ms **Skrypuch, Marsha Forchuk** *Making Bombs For Hitler* CK,LMN
Scholastic Press 2017 230p 17.99 978-0-545-93191-5
In this historical novel, Lida, a young Ukrainian girl, and her little sister are captured from their home by the Nazis and separated. Lida works as a slave for the Nazis and wonders if her little sister is still alive. Her one goal is to find her sister and this goal sustains her through some very brutal experiences.
- * hs **Slater, Dashka** *The 57 Bus* ED,CK
Macmillan/Farrar Strauss 2017 300p 17.99 978-1-374-30323-5
The true story of an agender teen whose skirt is set on fire on an Oakland public bus.
- ms/hs **Smith-Llera, Danielle** *Black Power Salute: How A Photographer Captured a Political Protest* LMN,VM,CK
Capstone Publishers 2017 64p 34.65 978-0-7565-5526-9 Captured Sports History
Detailed background on the Black Power Salute by U.S. runners during the 1968 Olympic Games put in the context of the 1960s civil rights movement. The photojournalist who captured the images is featured as well. Grades 4-12.
- ms/hs **Smith-Llera, Danielle** *Double Helix* SO,CFM
Capstone Publishers 2018 64p 34.65 978-0-7565-5642-6 Captured Science History
Rosalind Franklin's x-ray Photo 51 was the final clue to the discovery of the double helix structure of DNA. It confirmed the theories posited by Watson and Crick about the shape and functions of the molecule that forms the basis of all life.
- ms **Smy, Pam** *Thornhill* VM,LX
Macmillan/ Roaring Brook Press 2017 529p 19.99 978-1-62672-654-3
Lonely Ella has just moved into a new home that overlooks the old, abandoned Thornhill Institute for orphans where she sees a girl in the window and explores the Thornhill property and institute to find the link between herself and the girl she seeks to befriend.
- elm/ms **Soetoro-Ng, Maya** *Ladder to the Moon* MS,JT
Candlewick Press 2017 unpag 7.99 978-0-7636-9343-5
Grandma Annie borrows Suhaila one night, and together, they journey to the moon. While there, Suhaila witnesses suffering on Earth that is unimaginable, but Grandma helps by welcoming the sufferers to the moon where she helps alleviate their pain.
- * elm/ms **Sonnenblick, Jordan** *The Secret Sheriff of Sixth Grade* CK,VM
Scholastic Press 2017 193p 16.99 978-0-545-86320-9
With humor and pathos, Sonnenblick tells the story of Maverick, a scrawny, impoverished kid from the wrong side of the tracks who tries to get along with everybody, even the bullies, while also aspiring to live up to his father's reputation as a hero.
- ms/hs **Speno, Andrew** *Great American Foot Race* SO,CFM
Boyd's Mills Press 2017 176p 17.95 978-1-62979-602-4
In booming 1928, C. C. Pyle promised the country a new spectacle: a cross-country marathon foot race from Los Angeles to New York mainly along Route 66. The First International Transcontinental Foot Race, better known as the Bunion Derby, was to be the greatest endurance event of all time.
- hs/adult **Stanton, Angie** *Waking In Time* LMN,LF
Capstone Publishers 2017 360p 17.95 978-1-63079-070-7
A college freshman awakes to find herself in the same bed, same college dorm room, but several years earlier. She has a family mystery to unravel as she travels backward through time. Romance ensues with a fellow time traveler. Grades 10+.

- * elm/ms **Steffoff, Rebecca** *Me, Myself, and I: The More Grammar Changes, The More It Remains the Same* CK,CFM
Capstone Publishers 2018 32p 27.32 978-1-5157-6387-1 Fact Finders (Capstone)
- This is a good book on grammar, and specifically the use of first-person pronouns, for any age (really), but geared toward upper-elementary and middle-school readers. Well organized and fun to read, it is also very informative.
- hs **Stork, Francisco X.** *Disappeared* LT,LMN
Scholastic/Arthur Levine 2017 326p 17.99 978-0-545-94447-2
- Siblings Sara and Emiliano Zapata must escape their home in Ciudad Juarez after they are targeted by the ruling drug cartel for Sara's expose about the cartel's involvement in trafficking.
- ms **Storm, Tallia with Lucy** *Pop Girl* LMN,ED
Scholastic Press 2017 314p 9.99 978-1-338-11382-2
- Written by a young Scottish pop singer and social media celebrity. Story of Storm, 13 years old, who wants to become a singer. With doses of humor, a loving if quirky family, Storm is able to fulfill her dream of performing live while on vacation in Hawaii. Gr 6-10.
- ms **Strange, Lucy** *Secret of Nightingale Wood* MS,CK
Scholastic/Chicken House 2017 288p 16.99 978-1-338-15747-5
- After the death of her beloved brother, Henrietta is left to grieve alone when her mother becomes emotionally ill. In desperation, her father goes abroad to work, leaving Hen to try to bring the family back together.
- * ms/hs **Suvada, Emily** *This Mortal Coil* LM,LMN
Simon & Schuster/ Simon Pulse 2017 419p 18.99 978-1-5344-0348-2
- The inhabitants of this world can recode their DNA however they want. Catarina Agatta is a hacker. She can easily crash main frames and firewalls but her specialty is gene hacking.
- ms **Tarpley, Natasha** *The Harlem Charade* JT,SO
Scholastic Press 2017 297p 16.99 978-0-545-78387-3
- Story of young people coming together to solve a mystery and save a neighborhood by discovering some of its past. Themes of friendship, loyalty, and community in an action packed adventure. Grades 5-10.
- elm/ms **Telgemeier, Raina** *Fantasmas* VM,CFM
Scholastic/Graphix 2017 240p 10.99 978-1-338-13368-4
- Catrina and her family move to Bahía de la Luna in Northern California to improve her sister Maya's health. Maya, who has cystic fibrosis, and Catrina discover the ghosts in the town especially when they celebrate the Day of the Dead. (Spanish).
- ms/hs **Thompson, Lisa** *The Goldfish Boy* HW,VM
Scholastic Press 2017 313p 16.99 978-1-338-05392-0
- Matthew has severe obsessive-compulsive disorder. He doesn't leave his house. But he does observe his neighbors and what he has observed may be the key to solving the mystery of a toddler's disappearance.
- ms/hs **Thomson, Sarah L.** *Deadly Wish* CK,LM
Boyd's Mills Press 2017 238p 17.95 978-1-62979-777-9
- This exciting adventure story is set in ancient Japan, with a female ninja warrior at its center, carrying out her mission to protect a magical pearl that shelters a demon.
- ms/hs **Thrash, Maggie** *Honor girl* LF,LM
Candlewick Press 2017 unpag 14.99 978-0-7636-8755-7
- Written and illustrated by the author, this debut memoir is her story of summers spent at camp, and her first love (in this case lesbian) that happened to take place at this camp one summer.
- elm/ms **Tougas, Joe** *Real Heroes of Sports Heroic Comebacks* VM,CFM
Capstone Publishers 2017 32p 25.99 978-1-5157-4436-8 Real Heroes of Sports
- Discusses the unlikely heroic comebacks in sports where athletes beat the odds and the personal obstacles overcome by ten professional competitors.
- elm/ms **Tougas, Shelley** *Laura Ingalls Is Ruining My Life* JT,CK
Macmillan/ Roaring Brook Press 2018 296p 16.99 978-1-62672-418-1
- Samantha's mother moves the family, again, this time to Walnut Grove to channel the spirit of Laura Ingalls as she writes a book. Nothing is the same in this story of a new school, new friends, and new rules. Grade 4-8
- elm/ms **Vande Velde, Vivian** *Princess Impostor* JT,CFM
Scholastic Press 2017 208p 16.99 97-1-338-12147-6
- Princess Gabriella is exchanged for Fairy Phleg. They each must learn to deal with very unfamiliar circumstances. They also learn much about themselves before being exchanged back. Grades 3-6.
- elm/ms **Vaught, Susan** *Super Max and the Mystery of Thornwood's Revenge* JT,ED
Simon & Schuster/ 2017 338p 16.99 978-1-4814-8683-5
- Exciting, adventurous, mystery in a haunted house. Maxine, confined to a wheelchair, sees lights in the old abandoned mansion next door. Cyber attacks are made against the town. How are these connected? Grades 4-6.
- ms/hs **Wagstaffe, Johanna** *Fault Lines: Understanding the Power of Earthquakes* LM,LMN
Orca 2018 96p 24.95 978-1-4598-1243-7
- Seismologist Johanna Wagstaffe takes readers on a journey to understand earthquakes and visit with children who have experienced their power.
- ms/hs **Walker, Sally M.** *Sinking the Sultana* LM,LMN
Candlewick Press 2017 196p 24.99 978-0-76367-7558
- A riveting and informative narrative to a historical disaster at the end of the Civil War. This is a story of imprisonment, greed, and doomed journey home for Union soldiers. Enthusiasts of the Titanic tragedy will devour this story.
- * ms **Watkins, Steve** *Sink or Swim* MS,LMN
Scholastic Press 2017 247p 16.99 978-1-338-05790-4
- When Colton's brother Danny is about to enter World War II as a sailor, he is injured by a German U-boat while fishing off the coast of North Carolina. Enraged, Colton takes his place, pretending to be Danny, and makes a place for himself on a patrol craft in the Atlantic, fighting the Germans.

- elm/ms **Weakland, Mark** *Clang! Wiley E. Coyote Experiments with Magnetism* MS,CFM
Capstone Publishers 2017 32p 30.65 978-1-5157-3731-5 Wile E. Coyote Physical Science
Wile E. Coyote is obsessed with Road Runner. His mission is to capture him using the principles of magnetism. Whether attempting with a street sign, a frying pan, a dart or an electromagnetic gun, he always fails but not before the reader learns a lot.
- elm/ms **Weatherford, Carole Boston** *Schomburg: The Man Who Built a Library* CK,LM
Candlewick Press 2017 40p 16.99 978-0-7636-8046-6
With beautifully realized, full-color illustrations by Eric Velasquez, Weatherford has brought the life to library founder Arturo Schomburg to the attention of picture-book readers, as well as their elders.
- hs **Wenxuan, Cao** *Bronze and sunflower* ED,LX
2017 386p 16.99 978-0-7636-8816-5
When Sunflower loses her father, another family in her village must volunteer to take her in. Bronze's family has almost nothing but they can give Sunflower a family.
- ms/hs **Westerfeld, Scott** *Spill Zone* HW,LM
Macmillan/ First Second 2017 213p 22.99 978-1-59643-936-8
The Spill Zone claimed Addison's parents and left her sister Lexa mute. Addison risks her life to obtain a photograph that will leave the two sisters financially stable.
- ms **Westerfeld, Scott** *Horizon* JT,CFM
Scholastic Press 2017 241p 14.99 978-0-545-91677-6
A plane crash in the Arctic leaves teen survivors fighting for their lives in a supernatural jungle. Associated with a game, this is the start of a survival series. Readers will be disappointed that the story stops in the middle. Middle school.
- * elm/ms **Wiesner, David and Donna Jo** *Fish Girl* JT,LM
Houghton Mifflin/Clarion 2017 186p 17.99 978-0-547-48393-1
Graphic novel tells the story of a mermaid. She is on display at a seaside attraction cared for by a man who calls himself Neptune. She meets a human girl and wishes to be human, too. Grade 5-8.
- hs **Wilde, Jen** *Queens of Geek* JT,LMN,
Macmillan/Swoon Reads 2017 262p 10.99 978-1-250-11139-5
Charlie, a Chinese-Australian actress, Taylor, autistic and a writer, and Jamie, a geek photographic artist, fly to LA to attend a Comi-con type convention. They each find their own reality and love. High school
- elm/ms **Willink, Jocko** *Way of the Warrior Kid : from Wimpy to Warrior the Navy Seal Way* CFM,SO
Macmillan/ Feiweil & Friends 2017 182p 13.99 978-1-250-15107-0
"Uncle Jake is a for-real, super-cool Navy SEAL, and he has a plan. He is helping Marc transform himself into a warrior before school starts in the fall."
- * ms/hs **Wooding, Chris** *Velocity* JT,VM
Scholastic Press 2017 325p 18.99 978-0-545-94494-6
Set in the future after a global war, this is a story of ultimate car racing and the friendship between two teen girls. Exciting action racing sequences with imaginative villains. Grades 7 up.
- elm/ms **Young Rewired State** *Get Coding! Learn HTML, CSS, and Java script and Build a Web site, App, and Game* CFM,LM
Candlewick Press 2017 207p 12.99 9780763692766
"A collection of code writing projects using several programming languages." This book will help readers develop coding skills by way of simple step-by-step instructions.
- * elm/ms **Young, Judy** *Wild World of Buck Bray* JT,LM
Sleeping Bear Press 2017 263p 16.99 978-1-58536-368-1
Second book about Buck Bray. This time in Canyonlands National Park. Historic sites are being vandalized. Buck and Toni investigate. Grades 3-6
- * elm/ms **Young, Moira** *Road To Ever After* JT,MS
Macmillan/ Feiweil & Friends 2018 215p 16.99 978-1-250-11729-8
Beautifully written about an orphan boy and the elderly lady he is taking back to her childhood home. She is going home to die. Death is treated beautifully. Grades 5-8.

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ms *Between The Bread (Capstone)* CFM,SO
 Capstone Publishers 2018 48p 31.32

As of this review, three titles have been published in this new series. Each illustrated cookbook shows kids how to easily assemble and eat a variety of delicious sandwiches at any time of the day. They would make a great addition to an elementary or middle school collection for casual reading and to compliment a cookbook section.

Hold the Meat: Vegetarian Sandwiches for Kids *Fish and Fowl : Easy and Awesome Sandwiches for Kids*
More Meat Please! Delicious Sandwiches for Meat-Eating Kids

ms *Brands We Know (Scholastic/Children's Press)* CFM,LM,JT
 Capstone Publishers 2017 24p 25.95

Brands We Know contains 16 titles that present company history, unique products, timelines, and excellent color photos that can be used with career related classes or classes on the history of industry and business. Well recognized brands that kids have grown up with.

Barbie *American Girl* *Transformers* *Hot Wheels*

ms/hs *Captured History* CK,SO,LM,MS,
 Capstone Publishers 2018 64p 34.65

Captured History contains titles that explore crucial moments in world events, scientific and sports history, and iconic images that spread across the globe, presenting unforgettable events and changing history in the process. The series is now comprised of three different groups: *Captured History*, *Captured Science History*, and *Captured Sports History*. Grades 6-12.

Finding the Titanic : How Images from the Ocean Depths Fueled Interest in the Doomed Ship *Double Helix : How an Image Sparked the Discovery of the Secret of Life* *Ali's Knockdown Punch: How A Photographer Captured a Political Protest* *Black Power Salute: How A Photograph Captured a Political Protest* *Face of Freedom : How the Photos of Frederick Douglass Celebrated Racial Equality* *Exposing Hidden Worlds : How Jacob Riis' Photos Became Tools for Social Reform*

ms/hs *Enchantment of the World(Sch/Childrens)* ALL
 Scholastic/ Childrens Press 2018 144p 40.00

Enchantment of the World consistently provides up-to-date information on world countries in revised editions. The numerous color photos, statistics, and textual information makes for an attractive, engaging book. Unfortunately, the book on China has a glaring error calling Taiwan a part of China. Grades 7-12

Norway *Libya* *Denmark* *Antarctica* *Cambodia* *Mexico*
Canada *Algeria* *China* *Nicaragua* *Japan*

elm/ms *Getting to Know the World's Greatest Composers* ED,CK,SO,MS,
 Scholastic/ Childrens Press 2018 35p 29.00

In his series entitled, *Getting to Know the World's Greatest Composers*, Mike Venezia has combined humorous illustrations with authentic works of music by Ellington, Chopin, Bernstein, Gershwin, Beethoven, and the Beatles. The text is easy-to-read, there are various nonfiction text structures and aides present to help young readers navigate through the information and the layouts facilitate exploration of topics that are often difficult to digest by non fans.

George Gershwin *Duke Ellington* *Frederic Chopin* *Leonard Bernstein*
Ludwig Van Beethoven *The Beatles*

elm/ms *Math Everywhere (Sch/Children's Press)* CFM,CK,MS,VM
 Scholastic/ Childrens Press 2018 32p 27.00

Math Everywhere includes books about fractions, shapes, measurements, sums and numbers. The books instruct, offer examples to support the lesson, provide charts and pictures in colorful layout and include a quiz with answers at the end of the book.

Your Number's Up *Fraction Frenzy* *Get In Shape : Two-Dimensional and Three-Dimensional Shapes*
Super Sums *Get The Measure* *What Are The Chances?*

