1. F ALM (MS) Almond, David. Skellig. Delacorte Press, 1999. Unhappy about his baby sister's illness and the chaos of moving into a dilapidated old house, Michael retreats to the garage and finds a mysterious stranger who is something like a bird and something like an angel.

2. F AVI (MS) Avi. The Seer of Shadows. HarperCollins, 2008. In this intriguing historical ghost story set in New York City in 1872, Horace Carpetine becomes an apprentice to a local society photographer and learns more about deception, ghosts, and photography than he could ever have imagined.

3. F BAL (MS) Balliett, Blue. Hold Fast. Scholastic, 2013. On a cold winter day in Chicago, Early's father disappeared. Now she, her brother, and mother have been forced to flee their apartment and join the ranks of the homeless – leaving it up to Early to hold her family together and solve the mystery surrounding her father.

4. F BAU (MS) Bauer, Joan. Close to Famous. Viking, 2011. Twelve-year-old Foster dreams of growing up to become a celebrity chef despite her reading disability. Can the quirky townsfolk of tiny Culpepper help Foster succeed?

5. 920 BRA (MS) Bragg, Georgia. How They Croaked: The Awful Ends of the Awfully Famous. Walker, 2011. “If you don't have the guts for gore, do not read this book.” This caveat from the publisher warns the reader that they will encounter lots of gory details of the deaths of nineteen famous people . . . fun and informative too.

6. F BUR (MS) Burg, Shana. A Thousand Never Evers. Delacorte, 2008. Addie Ann Pickett, an African American girl in 1963 Kuckachoo, Mississippi, journals about her family, the racial injustices they face, and her fears for her older brother Elias when he goes missing due to her own carelessness.

7. F CHO (MS) Choldenko, Gennifer. Al Capone Does My Shirts. Putnam's, 2004. A twelve-year-old boy named Moose moves to Alcatraz Island in 1935 when guards' families were housed there, and has to contend with his extraordinary new environment in addition to life with his autistic sister.

8. F COM (MS) Compestine. Revolution is Not a Dinner Party. Holt, 2007. During the Cultural Revolution in China, Ling struggles to make sense of severe losses of freedom and injustices that both she and her well-educated family must endure.


10. F CRE (MS) Creech, Sharon. The Boy on the Porch. Joanna Cotler, 2013. One day a young couple finds a boy asleep on their porch. He is unable to speak or explain who he is, but they choose to care for the boy and embrace his exuberant spirit and talents. A simple tale that touches the heart and asks questions about the real meaning of family.

11. F CRE (MS) Creech, Sharon. The Great Unexpected. Joanna Cotler Books, 2012. Orphans Naomi and Lizzie are best friends, but Naomi has a knack for being around when trouble happens, and she knows all the peculiar people in town. Into their lives drops the strangely charming Finn boy. Across the sea, on a grand estate in Ireland, an elderly lady has a plan. These two worlds weave together with the great unexpected gifts of love and forgiveness. Also she is separated from her kind and loving stepfather and younger half-sisters.
12. F CRI (MS) Crilley, Paul. *Rise of the Darklings*. Egmont USA, 2010. Twelve-year-old Emily Snow, who sells watercress on the streets of London to support herself and her younger brother, takes the fate of humanity into her hands when she unknowingly involves herself in a war between two factions of piskies -- small, sarcastic fey creatures fighting for control over England -- by rescuing one. Series


14. F DAS (MS) Dashner, James. *The Maze Runner*. Sixteen-year-old Thomas wakes up with no memory in the middle of a maze and realizes he must work with the community in which he finds himself if he is to escape. Series

15. F DIT (MS) DiTerlizzi, Tony. *The Search for WondLa*. Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2010. When a marauder destroys the underground sanctuary that Eva Nine was raised in by the robot Muthr, the twelve-year-old girl is forced to flee aboveground. Eva Nine is searching for anyone else like her, for she knows that other humans exist.


17. F DRA (MS) Draper, Sharon. *Out of My Mind*. Atheneum, 2010. Considered by many to be mentally retarded, a brilliant, impatient, young girl with cerebral palsy discovers a way for her to speak for the first time.

18. F EAR (MS) Earle, Phil. *Being Billy*. Penguin, 2011. Eight years in a care home makes Billy Finn a professional lifer. And Billy's angry - with the system, the social workers, and the mother that gave him away. As far as Billy's concerned, he's on his own. His little brother and sister keep him going, though they can't keep him out of trouble. But he isn't being difficult on purpose. Billy's just being Billy.

19. F ENG (MS) Engle, Margarita. *Tropical Secrets: Holocaust Refugees in Cuba*. Holt, 2009. Escaping from Nazi Germany to Cuba in 1939, a young Jewish refugee dreams of finding his parents again, befriends a local girl with painful secrets of her own, and discovers that the Nazi darkness is never far away.

20. F ERS (MS) Erskine, Kathryn. *Mockingbird: (Mok'ing-burd)*. Philomel, 2010. Ten-year-old Caitlin, who has Asperger's Syndrome, struggles to understand emotions, show empathy, and make friends at school, while at home she seeks closure by working on a project with her father.

21. F FLA (MS) Flanagan, John. *The Outcasts*. Philomel, 2011. In this action-packed companion series to Flanagan's *Rangers Apprentice* books, a sixteen-year-old Skandian-Araluen named Hal and his group of misfit friends compete against two other, more powerful, brotherbands, enduring three months of grueling training in seamanship, weapons, and battle tactics to determine who will win the coveted prize. Series


25. F GAR (MS) Jones, Gareth P. *Constable and Toop*. Hot Key Books, 2012. In Victorian London, an undertaker's son who can see ghosts and is haunted by their constant demands for attention must decide whether to help when a horrible disease imprisons ghosts into empty houses in the world of the living.

26. F GLE (MS) Gleitzman, Morris. *After*. Puffin, 2012. After the Nazis took my parents I was scared. After - They killed my best friend I was angry. After - They ruined my thirteenth birthday I was
determined to get to the forest, to join forces with Gabrieck and Yuli, to be a family, to defeat the Nazis after all. **Series**


28. F HAD (MS) Haddix, Margaret Peterson. *Found*. Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2008. When thirteen-year-olds Jonah and Chip, who are both adopted, learn they were discovered on a plane that appeared out of nowhere, full of babies with no adults on board, they realize that they have uncovered a mystery involving time travel and two opposing forces, each trying to repair the fabric of time. **Series**

29. F HAH (MS) Hahn, Mary Downing. *Deep and Dark and Dangerous: A Ghost Story*. Clarion, 2007. When thirteen-year-old Ali spends the summer with her aunt and cousin at the family's vacation home, she stumbles upon a secret that her mother and aunt have been hiding for over thirty years.

30. F HAR (MS) Harrison, Michelle. *13 Treasures*. Simon and Schuster, 2009. Bedeviled by evil fairies that only she can see, thirteen-year-old Tanya is sent to stay with her cold and distant grandmother at Elvesden Manor, where she and the caretaker's son disturbing a mystery that leads them to the discovery that Tanya's life is in danger. **Series**

31. F HEN (MS) Henkes, Kevin. *Olive’s Ocean*. Greenwillow Books, 2003. On a summer visit to her grandmother's cottage by the ocean, twelve-year-old Martha gains perspective on the death of a classmate, on her relationship with her grandmother, on her feelings for an older boy, and on her plans to be a writer. *Newbery Honor 2004*

32. F HIA (MS) Hiaasen, Carl. *Chomp*. Knopf, 2012. The difficult star of the reality television show, "Expedition Survival," disappears on location in the Florida Everglades, where they were filming animals from the wildlife refuge run by Wahoo Crane’s family, and Wahoo and classmate Tuna Gordon set out to find him, but they must avoid Tuna's gun-happy father. *Panda Shortlist 2013-2014*

33. F HIG (MS) Higson, Charlie. *The Enemy*. Hyperion, 2009. A group of young survivors is offered safety from the roaming packs of zombie-like adults in Buckingham Palace, but, even after they survive their perilous journey through London, the teens arrive only to find their fight is far from over. *Panda Award 2012-2013. Series*


35. F HUG (MS) Hughes, Shirley. *Hero on a Bicycle*. Walker, 2012. Paolo and his sister Constanza are desperate to help fight the Nazi occupation of Florence, but what can two teenagers do against a whole army with only a bicycle to help them? *Panda Shortlist 2013-2014*

36. F IBB (MS) Ibbotson, Eva. *One Dog and His Boy*. Scholastic Press, 2011. When lonely, ten-year-old Hal learns that his wealthy but neglectful parents only rented Fleck, the dog he always wanted, he and new friend Pippa take Fleck and four other dogs from the rental agency on a trek from London to Scotland, where Hal's grandparents live.


38. F JAC (MS) Jacobson, Jennifer Richard. *Small as an Elephant*. Candlewick Press, 2011. Abandoned by his mother in an Acadia National Park campground, Jack tries to make his way back to Boston before anyone figures out what is going on, with only a small toy elephant for company.

39. ebook (MS) Johnson, Rebecca L. *Journey into the Deep: Discovering New Ocean Creatures*. Millbrook, 2011. Travel with oceanographers discovering new animals during a ten-year project documenting sea life. Learn about new species of interesting creatures such as jellyfish, octopuses, squids, and sea worms found along coral reefs, ocean mountain ranges, and in the deepest, darkest zones of the ocean floor.

40. F KEL (MS) Kelly, Jacqueline. *The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate*. Holt, 2009. Calpurnia struggles with growing up as she spends more of her free time with her grandfather, an avid naturalist, examining the beauty of nature, while at the same time her mother wants to teach her the responsibilities of a young woman during the turn of the century in Central Texas. *Newbery Honor 2010*

42. F KOR (MS) Korman, Gordon. *No More Dead Dogs*. Hyperion, 2000. Eighth-grade football hero Wallace is sentenced to detention attending rehearsals of the school play where, in spite of himself, he becomes wrapped up in the production and begins to suggest changes that improve not only the play but his life as well.

43. F LAN (MS) Lane, Andrew. *Death Cloud*. Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2010. In 1868, with his army officer father suddenly posted to India, and his mother mysteriously "unwell," fourteen-year-old Sherlock Holmes is sent to stay with his eccentric uncle and aunt in their vast house in Hampshire, where he uncovers his first murder and a diabolical villain. *Series*


45. F LOV (MS) Lovric, Michelle. *The Undrowned Child*. Delacorte Press, 2009. In 1899, eleven-year-old Teodora goes with her scientist parents from Naples to Venice, Italy, which is falling victim to a series of violent natural disasters, and once there she is drawn into a web of mysterious adventures involving mermaids, an ancient prophecy, and the possible destruction of the city itself.

46. F MAS (MS) Mass, Wendy. *The Candymakers*. Little, Brown, 2010. Four gifted twelve-year-olds, including Logan, the candymaker's son, are set to be contestants in the Confectionary Association's national competition to determine the nation's tastiest sweet, but nobody anticipates that a friendship will form between the children. *Panda Shortlist 2011-2012*

47. F MAT (MS) Matthews, L. S. *Fish*. Delacorte, 2004. As fighting closes in on the village where Tiger's parents have been working, the three of them and a mysterious guide set out on a difficult journey to safety.

48. F MCK (MS) McKay, Hilary. *Saffy's Angel*. McElderry Books, 2002. Thirteen-year-old Saffron's relationship with her eccentric, artistic family changes when she finds out she was adopted, until they help her return to her birthplace in Italy to bring back a special memento of her past.

49. 920 MELTZER (MS) Meltzer, Milton. *Ten Kings: And the Worlds They Ruled*. Orchard, 2002. Presents illustrated profiles of ten legendary kings who used their power to change the course of history, including Hammurabi, King David, Kublai Khan, and others.

50. F MIL (MS) Miller, Sarah. *Miss Spitfire: Reaching Helen Keller*. Atheneum, 2007. This is Annie Sullivan's story of challenge and determination as she tries to become a teacher of the child Helen Keller, who is blind, deaf, and overindulged by her desperate parents.

51. F MOR (MS) Morpurgo, Michael. *Private Peaceful*. Scholastic Press, 2003. When Thomas Peaceful's older brother is forced to join the British Army, Thomas decides to sign up as well, although he is only fourteen years old, to prove himself to his country, his family, his childhood love, Molly, and himself.

52. F MOR (MS) Morpurgo, Michael. *Shadow*. HarperCollins Children's Books, 2010. Never have Aman and his mother needed a friend more than when a springer spaniel appears in the mouth of their Afghan cave. Nursed back to health by Aman, the dog becomes a constant companion, a shadow, and that's what Aman decides to call her. But life in Afghanistan becomes more dangerous by the moment. Eventually, Aman, his mother and Shadow find the courage to leave. But how far can Shadow lead them? *Panda Shortlist 2012-2013*


54. F MOR (MS) Morpurgo, Michael. *An Elephant in the Garden*. HarperCollins Children's Books, 2010. It's 1944. Elizabeth and Karl live in Dresden where their mother works at the zoo. When the zoo director announces that the dangerous animals must be shot to prevent them running amok if the town is bombed, the children's' mother moves a young elephant into the back garden to save her. Then the allied bombs begin to fall and the whole family, elephant included, must flee the city.

55. F MUL (MS) Mulligan, Andy. *Trash*. David Fickling, 2010. Raphael is a dumpsite boy. He spends his days wading through mountains of steaming trash, sifting it, sorting it, breathing it, sleeping next to it. Then one unlucky-lucky day, Raphael's world turns upside down. A small leather bag falls into his hands. It's a bag of clues. It's a bag of hope. It's a bag that will change everything. Soon Raphael and his friends Gardo and Rat are running for their lives. *Panda Shortlist 2011-2012*
56. F NAP (MS) Napoli, Donna Jo. Bound. Atheneum, 2004. In a novel based on Chinese Cinderella tales, fourteen-year-old stepchild Xing-Xing endures a life of neglect and servitude as her stepmother cruelly mutilates her own child’s feet so that she alone might marry well.

57. 741.5 OCO (MS) O’Connor, George. OLYMPIANS. [2], Athena, Grey-Eyed Goddess. First Second, 2010. Action and adventure are in store for the Greek goddess Athena in this graphic portrayal that is told through five myths. Series

58. F PAL (MS) Palacio, R. J. Wonder. Knopf, 2012. Ten-year-old Auggie Pullman, who was born with extreme facial abnormalities and was not expected to survive, goes from being home-schooled to entering fifth grade at a private middle school in Manhattan, which entails enduring the taunts and fear of his classmates as he struggles to be seen as just another student. Panda Shortlist 2013-2014

59. F PAT (MS) Patron, Susan. The Higher Power of Lucky. Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2006. Fearing that her legal guardian plans to abandon her to return to France, ten-year-old aspiring scientist Lucky Trimble determines to run away while also continuing to seek the Higher Power that will bring stability to her life. Newbery Medal 2007

60. F PAV (MS) Paver, Michelle. Gods and Warriors. Puffin, 2012. Twelve-year-old Hylas -- goatherd, outsider, and thief -- is hunted by powerful warriors who want him dead and have kidnapped his sister. Hylas is forced to flee his home, but not before a mysterious stranger gives him a bronze dagger. While on the run, Hylas must use his skill and wits to survive a shipwreck and a great white shark attack, befriend a dolphin, and help Pirra, the runaway daughter of a High Priestess. Series


62. F PRI (MS) Prineas, Sarah. The Magic Thief. HarperCollins, 2008. Conn’s life is forever changed when he tries to pick the pocket of the wizard Nevery and instead gets a strong jolt of magic; but, instead of punishing the boy, Nevery takes Conn under his wing, teaches him magic, and enlists his help in finding the person responsible for stealing the city’s dwindling magic supply. Series

63. F RAS (MS) Raskin, Ellen. The Westing Game. The mysterious death of an eccentric millionaire brings together an unlikely assortment of heirs who must uncover the circumstances of his death before they can claim their inheritance.

64. 741.5 COL (MS) Riordan, Rick; adapted by Orpheus Collar. The Red Pyramid: Graphic Novel. Disney-Hyperion, 2012. Brilliant Egyptologist Dr. Julius Kane accidentally unleashes the Egyptian god Set who banishes the doctor to oblivion and forces his two children to embark on a dangerous journey, bringing them closer to the truth about their family and its link to a secret order that has existed since the time of the pharaohs. Adapted by Orpheus Collar.

65. F RYA (MS) Ryan, Pam Muñoz. The Dreamer. Scholastic, 2010. A fictionalized biography of the Nobel Prize-winning Chilean poet Pablo Neruda, who grew up a painfully shy child, ridiculed by his overbearing father, but still became one of the most widely-read poets in the world.

66. F SCA (MS) Scarrow, Alex. Time Riders. Walker, 2010. Rescued from imminent death, teens Maddy, Liam, and Sal join forces in 2001 Manhattan to correct changes in history made by other time travelers, using a “time bubble” surrounding the attack on the Twin Towers to hide their journeys. Series

67. F SEL (MS) Selznick, Brian. Wonderstruck: A Novel in Words and Pictures. Scholastic, 2011. Rose and Ben are deaf children living fifty years and worlds apart, yet both marvel and connect with the world around them. The American Museum of Natural History links their separate stories – one narrated in text and the other through cinematic illustrations.

68. F SLO (MS) Sloan, Holly Goldberg. Counting by 7s. Dial, 2013. Twelve-year-old genius and outsider Willow Chance must figure out how to connect with other people and find a surrogate family for herself after her parents are killed in a car accident.

69. F STA (MS) Stanley, Diane. The Mysterious Case of the Allbright Academy. HarperCollins, 2008. Zoe and her twin brother J.D. and big sister Franny are all accepted to Allbright Academy, an elite boarding school training the country’s future leaders, and while everything appears perfect, Franny uncovers a mystery involving the students’ perfection.

70. F STE (MS) Stewart, Trenton Lee. The Extraordinary Education of Nicholas Benedict. Little, Brown, 2012. Nine-year-old Nicholas Benedict, a boy without parents and afflicted with an unfortunate nose and narcolepsy, is sent to a new orphanage where he encounters vicious bullies, selfish adults, strange circumstances, and a mystery that could change his life forever.
71. 920 STO (MS) Stone, Tanya Lee. *Almost Astronauts: 13 Women Who Dared to Dream.* Candlewick, 2009. A chronicle of the thirteen women who tried to become NASA's first women astronaut trainees in the early 1960s. All were pilots; all earned high scores in preliminary tests; one had more hours in the air than John Glenn or Scott Carpenter. They were not accepted, but the story is riveting, challenges, not knowing if they will see their parents as planned or when the war will end.

72. F TRA (MS) Tracy, Kristen. *The Reinvention of Bessica Lefter.* Delacorte Press, 2011 Eleven-year-old Bessica's plans to begin North Teton Middle School as a new person begin to fall apart even before school begins.

73. F TUR (MS) Turnage, Sheila. *Three Times Lucky.* Dial Books, 2012. Washed ashore as a baby in tiny Tupelo Landing, North Carolina, Mo LoBeau, now eleven, and her best friend Dale turn detective when the amnesiac Colonel, owner of a café and coparent of Mo with his cook, Miss Lana, seems implicated in a murder.

74. F WIL (MS) Wilson, Jacqueline. *Lily Alone.* Doubleday, 2011. When Mum goes off on holiday with her new boyfriend and her stepdad fails to show up, Lily is determined to keep the family together and show they can cope without any grown-ups. But taking care of 6-year-old twins, her 3-year-old sister and the family's flat feels overwhelming and Lily is worried that school or social services might discover their situation and break up the family.