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Picture Books



The Grouchy Ladybug by Eric Carle: A grouchy ladybug, looking for a fight, challenges everyone she meets regardless of their size or strength. PICTURE BOOK 32 pages, ages 0-5 (newborn to kindergarten)



Crunch, the Shy Dinosaur by Cirocco Dunlap: Advises the reader on how to interact with a very shy dinosaur. PICTURE BOOK 40 pages, ages 3-7 (preschool to 2nd grade)



Dragones y Tacos by Adam Rubin: Si quieres ser amigo de un dragón, los tacos son la clave. Explores the love dragons have for tacos, and the dangers of feeding them anything with spicy salsa. PICTURE BOOK 32 pages, ages 3-5 (preschool to kindergarten)

Readers



A House for Hermit Crab by Eric Carle: A hermit crab who has outgrown his old shell moves into a new one, which he decorates and enhances with the various sea creatures he meets in his travels. READER 32 pages, ages 5-7 (Kindergarten to 2nd grade)



Biscuit Goes Camping by Alyssa Satin Capucilli: Biscuit the puppy camps out in the back yard. READER 32 pages, ages 3-8 (preschool to 3rd grade)



Pete at the Beach by James Dean: Pete is spending the day at the seashore. READER 32 pages, ages 4-8 (preschool to 3rd grade)

Beginning Chapter Books



My Father's Dragon by Ruth Stiles Gannett: A young boy runs away from home to rescue an abused baby dragon held captive to serve as a free twenty-four hour, seven-days-a-week ferry for the lazy wild animals living on Wild Island. BEGINNING CHAPTER BOOK 96 pages, ages 6-10 (1st to 4th grade)

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The Princess in Black by Shannon Hale: Who says princesses don't wear black? When trouble raises its blue monster head, Princess Magnolia ditches her flouncy dresses and becomes the Princess in Black! BEGINNING CHAPTER BOOK 96 pages, ages 5-8 (kindergarten to 3rd grade)



Bookmarks are People Too by Henry Winkler: Hoping to land the lead in the class play, Hank freezes during his audition and is only able to buzz like a fly, inspiring his teacher to create a special role for him as a silent bookmark that saves the show when a rival suffers an attack of stage fright. BEGINNING CHAPTER BOOK 128 pages, ages 6-8 (1st to 3rd grade)

Chapter Books



The Mouse and the Motorcycle by Beverly Cleary: A reckless young mouse named Ralph makes friends with a boy in room 215 of the Mountain View Inn and discovers the joys of motorcycling. CHAPTER BOOK 176 pages, ages 8-12 (3rd to 7th grade)



The Lifters by Dave Eggers: When Gran and his family move to Carousel, he has no idea that the town is built atop a secret. Little does he suspect, as he walks his sister to school or casually eats a banana, that mysterious forces lurk mere inches beneath his feet, tearing up the earth like mini-hurricanes and causing the town to slowly but surely sink. When Gran's friend, the difficult-to-impress Catalina Catalan, presses a silver handle into a hillside and opens a doorway to underground, he

knows that she is extraordinary and brave, and that he will have no choice but to follow wherever she leads. With luck on their side, and some discarded hockey sticks for good measure, Gran and Catalina might just find a way to lift their town--and the known world--out of danger. CHAPTER BOOK 352 pages, ages 8-12 (3rd to 7th grade)



Ghost by Jason Reynolds: Four kids from wildly different backgrounds with personalities that are explosive when they clash. But they are also four kids chosen for an elite middle school track team -- a team that could qualify them for the Junior Olympics if they can get their acts together. They all have a lot to lose, but they also have a lot to prove, not only to each other, but to themselves. Ghost has a crazy natural talent, but no formal training. If he can stay on track, literally and figuratively, he could be the best sprinter in the city. But Ghost has been running for the wrong

reasons -- it all starting with running away from his father, who, when Ghost was a very little boy, chased him and his mother through their apartment, then down the street, with a loaded gun, aiming to kill. Since then, Ghost has been the one causing problems -- and running away from them -- until he meets Coach, an ex-Olympic Medalist who blew his own shot at success by using drugs, and who is determined to keep other kids from blowing their shots at life. CHAPTER BOOK 208 pages, ages 10 and up (5th to 6th grade)