Primates: The Fearless Science of Jane Goodall, Dian Fossey, and Birute Galdikas by Jim Ottoviani. **GN J 599.8 OTT**

The stories of three scientists and their groundbreaking work in the field with chimpanzees, gorillas, and orangutans.

White Bird: A Wonder Story by R.J. Palacio. **GN JF PALACI R**

Tells the story of Julian's Grandmére's childhood as she, a Jewish girl, was hidden by a family in a Nazi-occupied French village during World War II and how the boy she once shunned became her savior and best friend.

Deep and Dark Blue by Niki Smith. GN JF SMITH N

After a terrible political coup usurps their noble house, Hawke and Grayson flee to stay alive and assume new identities, Hanna and Grayce. Desperation and chance lead them to the Communion of Blue, an order of magical women who spin the threads of reality to their will. As the twins learn more about the Communion, and themselves, they begin to hatch a plan to avenge their family and retake their royal home.

Lumberjanes: Beware the Kitten Holy by Noelle Stevenson and Grace Ellis.*

GN JF LUMBER STEVENS

Best friends Jo, April, Mal, Molly, and Ripley spend a fun summer at Lumberjane scout camp where they encounter yetis, three-eyed wolves, and giant falcons while solving a mystery that holds the fate of the world in the balance.

Sheets by Brenna Thummler. **GN JF THUMML B**

Practical thirteen-year-old Marjorie is in charge of the family laundry business. Her daily routine features unforgiving customers, unbearable P.E. classes, and the fastidious Mr. Saubertuck who is committed to destroying everything she's worked for.

Stargazing by Jen Wang. **GN JF WANG J**

Christine follows the rules and tries to live up to her strict Chinese-immigrant parents' expectations. When a new girl - unconventional, self-confident, uninhibited Moon - and her single mom move into Christine's family's in-law apartment, life gets more interesting.

Ms. Marvel: No Normal by G. Willow Wilson.* **GN YA FIC WILSON G**

Kamala Khan is an ordinary girl from Jersey City who stumbles upon superowers and becomes the next Ms. Marvel! Is she ready to handle these huge powers while also staying true to her family, culture, and dreams?

The Awakening Storm by Jaimal Yogis & Vivian Truong. **GN JF YOGIS J**

When Grace moves to Hong Kong with her mom and new stepdad, her biggest concern is making friends at her fancy new boarding school. But when a mysterious old woman gifts her a dragon egg during a field trip, Grace discovers that the wonderful stories of dragons she heard when she was a young girl might actually be real especially when the egg hatches overnight.

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GRAPHIC NOVEL READING LIST



Estranged by Ethan Aldridge.* GN JF ALDRID E

Edmund and the Childe were swapped at birth. Now Edmund lives in secret as a changeling in the World Above, his fae powers hidden from his unsuspecting parents and his older sister, Alexis. The Childe lives among the fae in the World Below, where being a human makes him a curiosity at the royal palace. But when a cruel sorceress seizes the throne, the Childe and Edmund must unite on a dangerous quest to save both worlds.

This Was Our Pact by Ryan Andrews. **GN JF ANDREW R**

On the night of the annual Autumn Equinox Festival, the town gathers to float paper lanterns down the river. Legend has it that after drifting out of sight, they'll soar off to the Milky Way and turn into brilliant stars, but could that actually be true? This year, Ben and his classmates are determined to find out where those lanterns really go, and to ensure success in their mission, they've made a pact with two simple rules: No one turns for home. No one looks back.

Be Prepared by Vera Brosgol.

GN JF BROSGO V

Jealous of her friends' experiences at summer camp, Vera begs her mother to let her go too.

Pashmina by Nidhi Chanani. GN YA FIC CHANAN N

Priyanka Das discovers a magical pashmina that connects her to her mother's past and India.

Awkward by Svetlana Chmakova.* GN JF CHMAKO S

After shunning Jaime, the school nerd, on her first day at a new middle school, Penelope Torres tries to blend in with her new friends in the art club, until the art club goes to war with the science club, of which Jaime is a member.

New Kid by Jerry Craft. **GN JF CRAFT J**

Jordan struggles to fit in at his new upscale private school, where he is one of the few kids of color in his grade.

Making Friends by Kristen Gudsnuk.* GN JF GUDSNU K

An inherited magic notebook might be just he thing Danny needs to improve her disappointing middle school experience.

Best Friends by Shannon Hale.* **GN JF HALE S**

When she becomes part of the in-crowd, Shannon begins to question whether she wants to remain there, in this autobiographical graphic novel about popularity, first boyfriends, and finding a path in life.

Friends with Boys by Faith Erin Hicks. **GN YA FIC HICKS F**

A young homeschooler transistions to high school, along with the mystery of the ghost who has followed her most of her life.

Sunny Side Up by Jennifer and Matthew Holm.* GN JF HOLM J

Sunny Lewin has been packed off to Florida to live with her grandfather for the summer. At first she thought Florida might be fun, but the place where Gramps lives is full of old people. Luckily, Sunny isn't the only kid around. She meets Buzz, a boy who is completely obsessed with comic books, and soon they're having adventures of their own: facing off against golfball - alligators, runaway cats, and mysteriously disappearing neighbors.

All's Faire in Middle School by Victoria Jamieson. **GN JF JAMIES V**

Homeschooled by Renaissance Fair enthusiasts, Imogene has a hard time fitting in when her wish to enroll in public school is granted.

All Summer Long by Hope Larson.* GN JF LARSON H

Thirteen-year-old Bina faces her first summer without her best friend, Austin, who has left for soccer camp.

Beetle & the Hollowbones by Aliza Layne. **GN JF LAYNE A**

Twelve-year-old goblin and witch-in-training Beetle enlists her former best friend, Kat Hollowbones, to help stop Kat's sorceress aunt from demolishing the mall where Beetle's friend Blob Ghost is trapped.

Snapdragon by Kat Leyh.

GN JF LEYH K

A young girl befriends her town's witch and discovers the strange magic within herself.

Queen of the Sea by Dylan Meconis. **GN JF MECONI D**

When her sister siezes the throne, Queen Eleanor of Albion is banished to a tiny island off the coast of her kingdom, where the nuns of the convent spend their days peacefully praying, sewing, and gardening. But the island is also home to Margaret, a mysterious young orphan girl whose life is upended when the cold, regal stranger arrives.

When Stars Are Scattered by Omar Mohamed and Victoria Jamieson.

GN JB MOHAME OMAR JAMIES

Omar and his younger brother Hassan live in a refugee camp, and when an opportunity for Omar to get an education comes along, he must decide between going to school every day or caring for his nonverbal brother.

The Witch Boy by Molly Knox Ostertag.* GN JF OSTERT M

Aster was born into a magical family where all boys are expected to become shape-shifters, but Aster discovers he has a talent for witchcraft. Could revealing his secret help save a missing boy's life?