Fantasy and Science Fiction For Young Readers

J Alston
Alston, B.B. *Amari and the Night Brothers.* (Supernatural Investigations)
Thirteen-year-old Amari gets an invitation from her missing brother to join the Bureau of Supernatural Affairs and join in the fight against an evil magician. Gr. 4-6

J Barnett
Barnett, Mac. *The First Cat in Space Ate Pizza.* (The First Cat in Space)
There’s only one hero for the job, a bold and fearsome beast bioengineered in a secret lab to be the moon’s savior and Earth’s last hope! And that hero is...a cat. A cat who will be blasted into space! Gr. 2-6

J Brown
Brown, Peter. *The Wild Robot.* (Nēnē Award/The Wild Robot)
Roz the robot finds herself on a wild island with no purpose. As Roz befriends the animal inhabitants, the island starts to feel like home—until her mysterious past comes back to haunt her. Gr. 4-6

J Brown
A modern retelling of the Japanese Folktale *The Melon Princess and the Amanjaku.* Melony befriends a wish granting demon but soon finds out the sinister consequences. Gr. 4-6

J Fang
Fang, Vicky. *Happy Paws.* (Layla and the Bots)
Layla and the Bots are in an awesome rock band! They also use problem solving and creativity to build cool inventions. When a local amusement park is in danger of shutting down, Layla knows just how to bring in the crowds. Gr. 1-3

J Flintham
Flintham, Thomas. *Game Over, Super Rabbit Boy!* (Press Start!)
When King Viking and his evil robot army attack Animal Town and kidnap Singing Dog, it’s up to Super Rabbit Boy to save the day. Gr. 1-3

J Foody
Barclay yearns for the quiet life of a mushroom farmer, but after unwittingly bonding with a beast in the forbidden Woods, he must seek Lore Keepers to break the bond and return home.
J Green
Cilantro the chameleon is finally out for a field assignment...literally out in the middle of a field, and her orders are so vague, she can hardly tell where to start. But as she begins to uncover a sheep-led worker’s rights revolt and an alien invasion conspiracy, Cilantro steps into her own V.E.S.T. Gr. 1-3

J Holm
Holm, Jennifer. **The Lion of Mars.**
Bell has spent his whole life on Mars but when a virus breaks out and all the grown-ups fall ill, it’s up to him and the other children to uncover the truth. Gr. 4-6

J Korman
Korman, Gordon. **Mixed Up.**
Ref and Theo don’t know what’s happening to them. They’ll be going about their days and then suddenly they’ll have these strange flashes of memory—but the memories don’t belong to them. And at the same time, their own memories are starting to vanish. Gr. 4-6

J Lee
Lee, Yoon Ha. **Dragon Pearl.** (Thousand Worlds)
Mia stows away on a battle cruiser and impersonates a cadet in order to solve the mystery of what happened to her older brother in the Thousand World Space Forces. Gr. 4-6

J Liu
Liu, Sylvia. **Hana Hsu and the Ghost Crab Nation.**
What was once a competition between classmates has turned into something sinister. As her friends start getting sick, and her tech never seems to work, will Hana be able to save her friends? Gr. 4-6

J London
London, Alex. **City of Thieves.** (Battle Dragons)
To protect his friends and family, Abel must figure out what is worth fighting for when he partners with a stolen dragon, an action that has him riding in kin battles and keeping more secrets than a dragon has scales. Gr. 4-6

J Miedoso
Miedoso, Andres. **The Haunted House Next Door.** (Desmond Cole Ghost Patrol)
When supernatural things start happening in the house Andres and his parents just moved into, next-door-neighbor Desmond Cole comes to the rescue. Gr. 1-3

J O’Ryan
O’Ryan, Ray. **Hello, Nebulon!** (Galaxy Zack)
Moving from Earth to the futuristic planet Nebulon in 2120, eight-year-old Zack is nervous about starting school and meeting people. Gr. 1-3

J Soontornvat
Soontornvat, Christina. **The Guardian Test.** (Legends of Lotus Island)
Plum is struggling compared to her classmates at Guardian Academy on Lotus Island. She must learn to embrace magic and transform or be kicked out of school. Gr. 1-3
J Thomson
Thomson, Pari. **Greenwild.**
Daisy is on the run after her Ma disappears. She finds refuge in Greenwild, a hidden magical world, where new friends help her uncover a plot that threatens the world. Gr. 4-6

J Warga
Warga, Jasmine. **A Rover’s Story.**
Built to explore Mars, Resilience begins to develop human-like feelings as he learns from the NASA scientists who assembled him. As he blasts off and explores Mars, Resilience must overcome different obstacles as he explores the red planet. Gr. 4-6

J West
West, Tracey. **Rise of the Earth Dragon.** (Dragon Masters)
Drake is snatched up by the King’s soldiers and told that he has been chosen to be a Dragon Master. His first task, to discover if his dragon, Worm, has any special powers. Gr. 1-3

J Winans
Winans, Justine. **The Otherwoods.**
When River’s only friend is kidnapped and dragged to the Otherwoods, they have no choice but to face the world’s monsters as well as their own fears. Gr. 4-6

J Zhao
Zhao, Xinran Jay. **Zachary Ying and the Dragon Emperor.**
After his AR gaming headset is possessed by the spirit of the First Emperor of China, Zack is thrust into an adventure to steal artifacts, fight figures from Chinese history and myth, and somehow save the world. Gr 4-6

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