

Books for Sixth Graders Located in J Fiction

- Alexander, Kwame ***The Crossover**** 14-year-old twin basketball stars Josh and Jordan wrestle with highs and lows on and off the court as their father ignores his declining health. 237p.
- Anderson, Laurie ***Fever, 1793*** Sixteen-year-old Matilda struggles to survive the yellow-fever epidemic in 1793 Philadelphia. 251p.
- Farmer, Nancy ***House of the Scorpion**** In a future where clones are killed at birth, Matt is an exception; he is the clone of El Patrón, the 140-year-old leader of a drug empire. *Matteo Alacran Series* 380p.
- Flanagan, John ***Ruins of Gorlan**** 15-year-old Will is rejected by Battleschool and becomes the apprentice to the mysterious Ranger Halt. *The Ranger's Apprentice*. 249p.
- Gantos, Jack ***Dead End in Norvelt*** 12-year old Jack is assigned to help an elderly neighbor with an unusual chore involving the newly dead, molten wax, and Girl Scout Cookies. 341p.
- Hiaasen, Carl ***Scat*** Nick and his friend Marta decide to investigate when a mysterious fire starts near a Florida wildlife preserve and an unpopular teacher goes missing. 371p.
- Mass, Wendy ***Every Soul a Star*** Ally, Bree, and Jack, each carrying the burden of different personal problems, find friendship during a Great Eclipse. 322p.
- Oppel, Kenneth ***Airborn**** As cabin boy aboard an airship, Matt thought he had seen everything, until he meets wealthy Kate who is searching for a mysterious winged creature in the clouds. 501p.
- Pullman, Philip ***Golden Compass**** Accompanied by her daemon, Lyra sets out to prevent her best friend from becoming the subject of gruesome experiments in the Far North. *His Dark Materials* 399p.
- Schlitz, Laura ***The Hired Girl*** Living in Pennsylvania in 1911, fourteen-year-old Joan longs to be like the heroines in her books. She runs away from an abusive home to create a life for herself. 387p.
- Stead, Rebecca ***Goodbye Stranger*** Three best friends and a mysterious narrator try to make it through seventh-grade amidst friendship, romance, betrayal, and gossip. 289p. (AR 3.9)
- Tolan, Stephanie ***Surviving the Applewhites*** Jake is sent for home schooling to the arty and eccentric Applewhite family's Creative Academy where he discovers interests he never knew he had. 217p.
- Van Draanen, W. ***Flipped*** In alternating chapters, two teenagers describe how their feelings about themselves, each other, and their families have changed over the years. 212p. (AR 5.5)
- Watson, Jude ***Loot: How to Steal a Fortune*** After March's jewel-thief father dies on the job, March searches for a mysterious treasure that will turn his life upside down. (195 p.) (AR 5.7)

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- Bruchac, Joseph ***Code Talker*** Ned Begay and other Navajo men are recruited by the Marines during World War Two to send secret messages in their native tongue. (231 p.) (AR 6.4)
- Carter, Ally ***I'd tell You I love you, but Then I'd have to kill you**** Cammie is a Sophomore at a secret spy school and finds her first crush while out on a surveillance mission. *Gallagher Girls* 284p.
- Evans, Richard ***The Prisoner of Cell 25**** 14-year-old Michael Vey has mysterious electric powers. When he tries to investigate these powers he discovers a powerful group attempting to control teens like him and use their powers to control the world. *Michael Vey* 326p.
- Korman, Gordon ***Schooled*** Cap has been homeschooled by his hippie grandmother all his life, but when she ends up in the hospital he has to learn to navigate middle school. 208p.
- Meyer, Marissa ***Cinder**** In this futuristic retelling of *Cinderella*, a cyborg mechanic named Cinder may be Earth's only hope against a deadly plague. *Lunar Chronicles* 390p.
- Murdock, Gilbert ***Dairy Queen*** After a summer spent on the family farm training the quarterback for her school's rival football team, sixteen-year-old D.J. decides to try out for the sport herself. 274p.
- Picoult, Jodi ***Between the Lines*** Sixteen-year-old Delilah is in love with a character from a book, but Prince Oliver is real and trying to find a way to escape his story. 352p.
- Shusterman, Neal ***The Schwa was Here**** Eight-grader Antsy befriends the Schwa, an "invisible-ish" boy who somehow blends in and goes unnoticed, no matter how strange he acts. *Antsy Bonano* 228p.
- Scott, Michael ***Alchemyst**** Twins Sophie and Josh are caught in a centuries-long battle between alchemists Nicholas Flamel and John Dee. *The Secrets of the Immortal Nicholas Flamel* 375p.
- Smith, Roland ***Peak*** A fourteen-year-old boy attempts to be the youngest person to reach the top of Mount Everest. 246p.
- Sonnenblick, Jordan ***Notes From the Midnight Driver*** Sentenced to community service for stealing his mother's car and driving over his neighbor's lawn gnome, 16-year old Alex is surprised by what he learns from the "difficult" senior citizen he is assigned to help care for. 265p.
- Spinelli, Jerry ***Stargirl**** The arrival of a strange new student named Stargirl changes Mica High School forever. 186p.
- Van Draanen, W. ***Running Dream*** Sixteen-year-old Jessica becomes an amputee after a car accident and struggles to rejoin her track team with a prosthetic leg. (336 p.) (AR 4.1)
- Westerfeld, Scott ***Uglies**** Just before their sixteenth birthday, when they will be given surgeries to become beauties, Tally's best friend runs away, and Tally must find out why. (406p.)