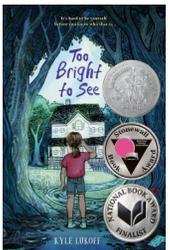


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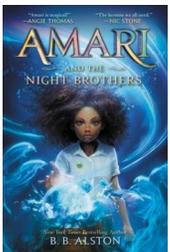
by Donna Barba Higuera
Earth has been destroyed by a comet, and only a few hundred scientists and their children--among them Petra Pena and her family--have been chosen to journey to a new planet. They are the ones who must carry on

the human race. Hundreds of years later, Petra wakes to this new planet--and the discovery that she is the only person who remembers Earth.



Too bright to see

by Kyle Lukoff
In the summer before middle school, eleven-year-old Bug must contend with best friend Moira suddenly caring about clothes, makeup, and boys; a ghost haunting; and the truth about Bug's gender identity.



Amari and the night brothers

by B. B. Alston
Thirteen-year-old Amari, a poor Black girl from the projects, gets an invitation from her missing brother to join the Bureau of Supernatural Affairs and join in

the fight against an evil magician.



Strange birds

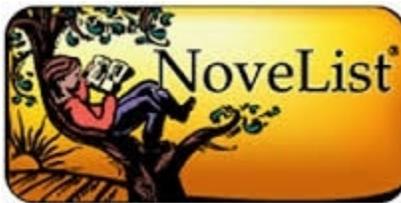
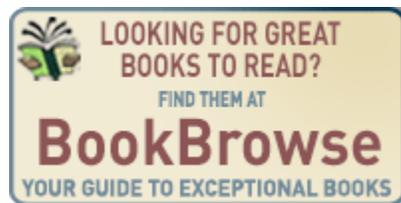
by Celia C. Pérez
A budding journalist, a bookish foodie and a rule-abiding birdwatcher forge an unexpected friendship with a fourth misfit girl when they organize an alternative sisterhood troop to protest their Florida community's outdated scout traditions.

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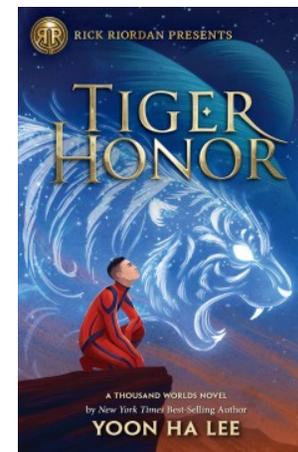
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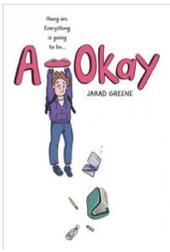
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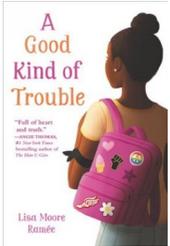
A-Okay

by Jarad Greene

Teen Graphic Greene

While dealing with side effects from his powerful new acne medication, eighth grader Jay Greene finds things not going exactly as planned with school and his friends, and hopes

things will turn out to be a-okay.



A good kind of trouble

by Lisa Moore Ramée

After attending a powerful protest, Shayla starts wearing an armband to school to support the Black Lives Matter movement, but when the school

gives her an ultimatum, she is forced to choose between her education and her identity.



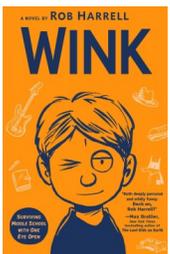
Allergic

by Megan Wagner Lloyd

Teen Graphic Lloyd

Hoping to adopt a pet to find a sense of belonging in her busy family, Maggie is disappointed to discover she is severely allergic to anything with fur and tries to

find a pet to love anyway.

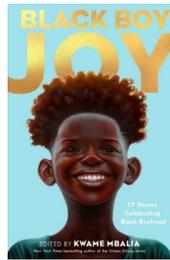


Wink : surviving middle school with one eye open

by Rob Harrell

Diagnosed with a rare eye cancer, a seventh grader endures painful treatments and social abandonment while searching

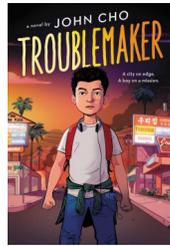
for laughter in life's weirdness, in a tale based on the "Adam@Home" creator's own life experiences.



Black boy joy

by Kwame Mbalia

Featuring contributions from such critically acclaimed Black authors as Jason Reynolds, Jerry Craft and Kwame Mbalia, this celebration of Black boyhood is told through a brilliant collection of stories, comics and poems.

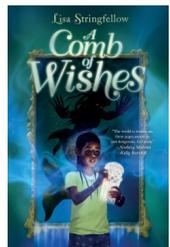


Troublemaker

by John Cho

Following the events of the LA Riots, a 12-year-old Korean American boy must come to terms with the racism within and affecting their community while trying to protect his father, a

store owner.

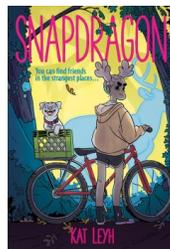


A comb of wishes

by Lisa Stringfellow

When she stumbles upon the ancient comb of the mermaid Ophidia, Kela gets one wish in exchange for the comb and wishes for her mother to be alive—a wish that will exact an

even bigger price.



Snapdragon

by Kat Leyh

Teen Graphic Leyh

Befriending an eccentric but savvy older woman who suggests that they help each other while raising a litter of orphaned baby opossums, a young girl discovers that the

woman may possess real magic and a possible connection to her family.



Betty before X

by Ilyasah Shabazz

A powerful middle-grade novel about the childhood activism of Malcolm X's wife, written by their daughter, describes how young Betty finds confidence and purpose by volunteering for the Housewives League in 1945

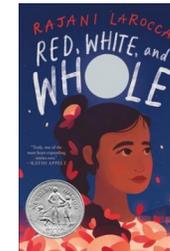
Detroit, learning skills and developing awareness that inspires her future as a Civil Rights icon.



Lines of courage

by Jennifer A. Nielsen

As World War I stretches across Europe, five young people face the awful challenges of war as they fight for their dreams, their families and their very survival.



Red, White, and Whole

by Rajani Larocca

Feeling disconnected from her heritage as the only Indian-American student in her community, young Reha commits herself to a future

different from her dreams when her mother becomes dangerously ill.



Tiger honor

by Yoon Ha Lee

To restore honor to the Juhwang clan after Uncle Hwan is declared a traitor, Sebrin sets out to clear Hwan's name, but nothing goes as planned as he is sabotaged and betrayed by someone he thought he could trust.