

What the Dog Said

Randi Reisfeld
YA REISFELD

Shortly after their police officer father is killed in the line of duty, Grace's older sister decides to adopt and train a service dog for a handicapped child.

Mamba Point

Kurtis Scaletta

YA SCALETTA (also +)

After moving with his family to Liberia, Linus discovers that he has a mystical connection with the deadly black mamba.

Threatened

Eliot Schrefer

YA SCHREFER

Orphan Luc is living in debt slavery in Gabon, until he meets a Professor who claims to be studying chimpanzees. When the professor disappears in the jungle, Luc has to fend for himself. Also by this author: Endangered.

The Scorpio Races

Maggie Stiefvater

YA STIEFVATER

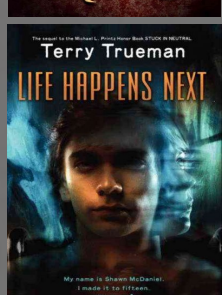
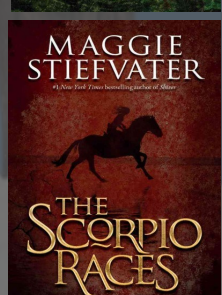
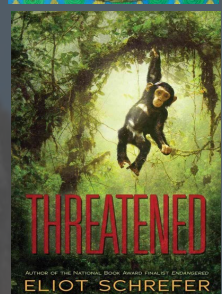
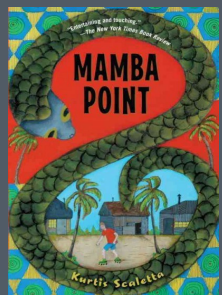
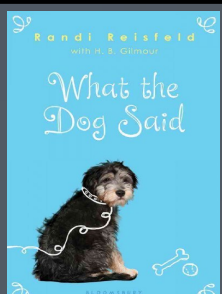
Returning champion Sean competes against Puck, the first girl ever to ride in the annual Scorpio Races, while trying to keep hold of his dangerous water horse.

Life Happens Next

Terry Trueman

YA TRUEMAN

Shawn, almost fifteen, cannot speak and has no control over his body due to severe cerebral palsy, but he forms a strong connection with his mother's cousin Debi, who has Down Syndrome, and her dog Rusty.

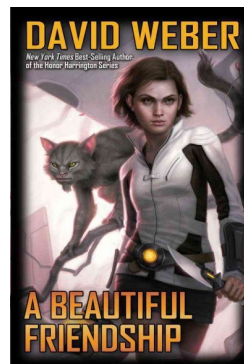


A Beautiful Friendship

David Weber

YA WEBER

Stephanie, a genetically-enhanced girl on the pioneer planet of Sphinx, bonds with a telepathic treecat, putting her in danger from highly placed enemies who want to ensure that the planet remains entirely in human hands. First in the series.

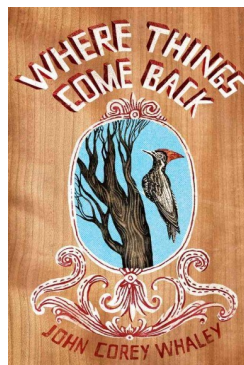


Where Things Come Back

John Corey Whaley

YA WHALEY

Cullen's summer in Arkansas is marked by his cousin's death by overdose, an alleged spotting of a woodpecker thought to be extinct, failed romances, and his younger brother's sudden disappearance.

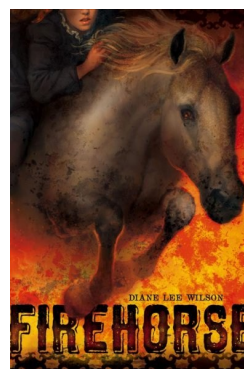


Firehorse

Diane Lee Wilson

YA WILSON (also +)

Spirited horse lover Rachel is determined to become a veterinarian, despite the opposition of her rigid father, her proper mother, and the norms of Boston in 1872, while that city faces a serial arsonist and an epidemic spreading through its firehorse population.



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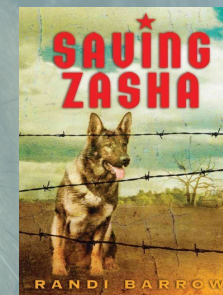
FROM DOGS TO SHAPE-SHIFTERS!

Saving Zasha

Randi Barrow

YA BARROW (also +)

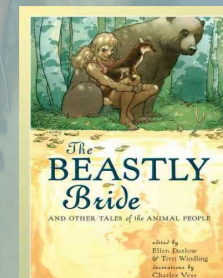
In 1945 Russia, those who own German shepherds are considered traitors. Mikhail is determined to protect the dog he loves despite the danger.



The Beastly Bride: and Other Tales of the Animal People

YA BEASTLY

A collection of stories and poems about animal transfiguration legends from around the world.



Starting From Here

Lisa Jenn Bigelow

YA BIGELOW

Colby is barely hanging on with her mother dead, her long-haul trucker father often away, her almost-girlfriend dumping her for a boy, and her failing grades, when hope appears with a stray dog.

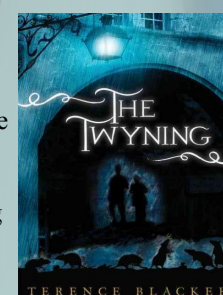


The Twyning

Terence Blacker

YA BLACKER

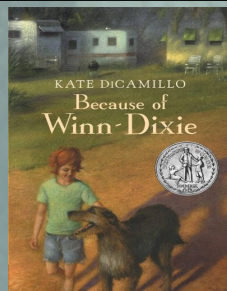
Often, a bold young ratling, journeys above the underground rat kingdom, and discovers Dr. Ross-Gibbon's plan to exterminate the rat population. Dogboy, the doctor's assistant, an abandoned teen with a gift for understanding animals, must decide where his allegiances lie as war breaks out.



Because of Winn-Dixie

Kate DiCamillo

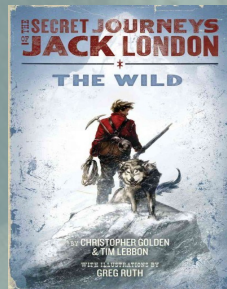
PB YA DICAMILLO (also +)
India describes her summer in Florida and all the good things that happen because of her big, ugly dog Winn-Dixie.



The Wild

Christopher Golden
YA GOLDEN

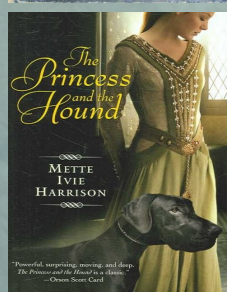
Jack London makes the arduous journey to the Yukon's gold fields in 1893 and becomes increasingly uneasy about the supernatural forces in the wilderness that seem to have taken a special interest in him.



The Princess and the Hound

Mette Ivie Harrison
YA HARRISON

George has always felt burdened by his princely duties, and even more by the need to hide the magic through which he speaks with animals. First in the Princess series.

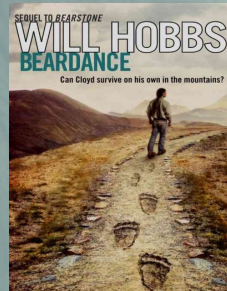


Beardance

Will Hobbs

YA HOBBS (also PB YA)

While accompanying an elderly rancher into the San Juan Mountains, a Ute Indian boy tries to help two orphaned grizzly cubs and complete his spirit mission. Sequel to Bearstone.

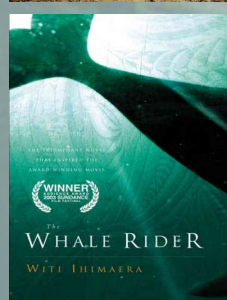


The Whale Rider

Witi Ihimaera

YA IHIMAERA

While her beloved grandfather, chief of their Maori tribe in New Zealand, struggles to find a male successor, young Kahu is developing a mysterious relationship with whales.

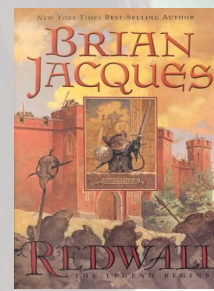


Redwall

Brian Jacques

YA JACQUES (also +)

When the peaceful life of Redwall Abbey is shattered by the arrival of the evil rat Cluny, Matthias, a young mouse, determines to find the legendary sword of Martin the Warrior. First in the Redwall series.

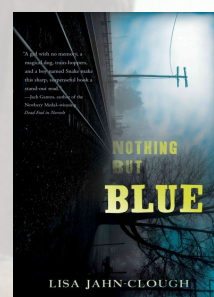


Nothing But Blue

Lisa Jahn-Clough

YA JAHN-CLOUGH

Aided by a mysterious dog and by various strangers, Blue makes a 500-mile trek to her childhood home.

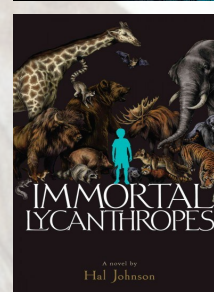


Immortal Lycanthropes

Hal Johnson

YA JOHNSON

Horribly disfigured Myron discovers that he is the first immortal lycanthrope, a were-mammal that can switch from a human to any animal.

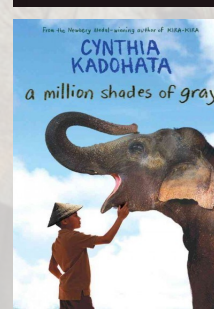


A Million Shades of Gray

Cynthia Kadohata

YA KADOHATA

In 1975 after American troops pull out of Vietnam, a boy and his beloved elephant escape into the jungle when the Viet Cong attack his village.

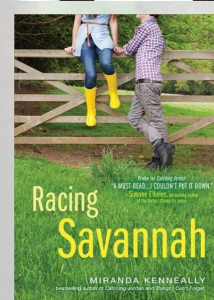


Racing Savannah

Miranda Kenneally

PB YA KENNEALLY

Working at a fancy farm that trains horses for the Kentucky Derby, Savannah tries to deflect the attention of the owner's son as she pursues her dream of becoming a jockey.

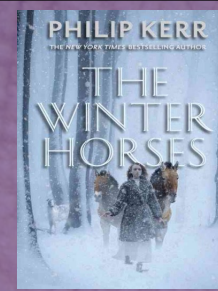


The Winter Horses

Philip Kerr

YA KERR

Kalinka, a Ukrainian Jewish girl on the run from the Nazis, finds unlikely help from two rare Przewalski horses.

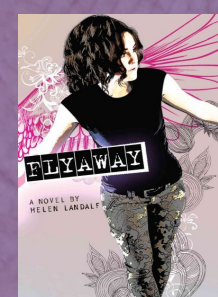


Flyaway

Helen Landalf

YA LANDALF

Stevie spends her days being tutored and volunteering at a bird rehabilitation center after she moves in with her perfect Aunt Mindy.

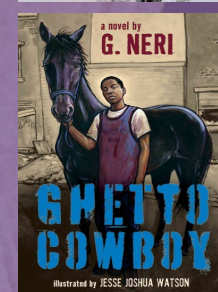


Ghetto Cowboy

G. Neri

YA NERI (also +)

Cole's increasingly bad behavior causes his father to involve Cole with a group of African-American "cowboys" who rescue and rehabilitate horses.

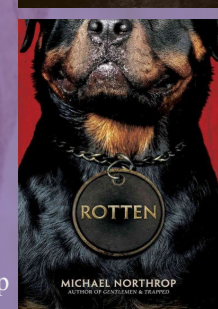


Rotten

Michael Northrop

YA NORTHROP

When troubled Jimmer "JD" Dobbs returns from a mysterious summer "upstate," he finds that his mother has adopted an abused Rottweiler that JD names Johnny Rotten, but soon his tenuous relationship with the dog is threatened.



Half Brother

Kenneth Oppel

YA OPPEL

In 1973, a renowned Canadian behavioral psychologist brings home a baby chimp named Zan and asks his son to treat Zan like a little brother.

