



The Ultimate Library List

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Realistic Fiction, Fantasy,
Historical Fiction,
Science Fiction, Mystery

Title (Leading <i>the</i> removed)	Author	Genre	Sequel /Series
<i>Among the Hidden</i>	Haddix, Margaret Peterson	Science Fiction	Yes
<i>Artemis Fowl</i>	Colfer, Eoin	Fantasy	Yes
<i>Beasties</i>	Sleator, William	Science Fiction	
<i>Boy at War, A</i>	Mazer, Harry	Historical	Yes
<i>Boy Who Saved Baseball</i>	Ritter, John	Realistic	
<i>Bud, Not Buddy</i>	Curtis, Christopher Paul	Historical	
<i>Catherine, Called Birdy</i>	Cushman, Karen	Historical	
<i>Chasing Redbird</i>	Creech, Sharon	Realistic	
<i>Chasing Vermeer</i>	Balliet, Blue	Mystery	Yes
<i>Children of the Lamp</i>	Kerr, P. B.	Fantasy	Yes
<i>Chocolate War, The</i>	Cormier, Robert	Realistic	Yes
<i>Clique, The</i>	Harrison, Lisi	Realistic	Yes
<i>Crispin: The Cross of Lead</i>	Avi	Historical	Yes
<i>Cryptid Hunter</i>	Smith, Roland	Science Fiction	
<i>Devil's Arithmetic</i>	Yolen, Jane	Historical	
<i>Double Identity</i>	Haddix, Margaret Peterson	Science Fiction	
<i>Drums, Girls, and Dangerous Pie</i>	Sonnenblick, Jordan	Realistic	
<i>Each Little Bird That Sings</i>	Wiles, Deborah	Realistic	

<i>Ear, the Eye, and the Arm</i>	Farmer, Nancy	Science Fiction	
<i>Ella Enchanted</i>	Levine, Gail Carson	Fantasy	
<i>Eragon</i>	Paolini, Christopher	Fantasy	Yes
<i>Esperanza Rising</i>	Ryan, Pam Munoz	Historical	
<i>Extraordinary Adventures of Alfred Kropp</i>	Yancey, Rick	Fantasy	Yes
<i>Face on the Milk Carton</i>	Cooney, Caroline	Mystery	Yes
<i>Fever 1793</i>	Anderson, Laurie Halse	Historical	
<i>Frindle</i>	Clements, Andrew	Realistic	
<i>From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler</i>	Konigsburg, E. L.	Mystery	
<i>Giver</i>	Lois Lowry	Science Fiction	Yes
<i>Gone</i>	Michael Grant	Science Fiction	Yes
<i>Gregor the Overlander</i>	Collins, Suzanne	Fantasy	Yes
<i>Guardians of Ga'Hoole: The Capture</i>	Lasky, Kathryn	Fantasy	Yes
<i>Half-Moon Investigations</i>	Colfer, Eoin	Mystery	
<i>Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone</i>	Rowling, J. K.	Fantasy	Yes
<i>Hatchet</i>	Paulsen, Gary	Realistic	Yes
<i>Hiroshima</i>	Yep, Laurence	Historical	
<i>Homeless Bird</i>	Whelan, Gloria	Historical	
<i>Hope Was Here</i>	Bauer, Joan	Realistic	
<i>House of the Scorpion</i>	Farmer, Nancy	Science Fiction	
<i>How to Disappear Completely and Never Be Found</i>	Van Draanen, Wendelin	Mystery	Yes
<i>Hunger Games</i>	Collins, Suzanne	Science Fiction	Yes
<i>Inkheart</i>	Funke, Cornelia	Fantasy	Yes
<i>Jeremy Fink and the Meaning of Life</i>	Mass, Wendy	Realistic	

<i>Kensuke's Kingdom</i>	Morpurgo, Michael	Historical	
<i>Last Dog on Earth</i>	Ehrenhaft, Daniel	Science Fiction	
<i>Last Shot: A Final Four Mystery</i>	Feinstein, John	Mystery	
<i>Lightning Thief</i>	Riordan, Rick	Fantasy	Yes
<i>Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe</i>	Lewis, C. S.	Fantasy	Yes
<i>Loser</i>	Spinelli, Jerry	Realistic	
<i>Love, Ruby Lavender</i>	Wiles, Deborah	Realistic	
<i>Maniac Marge</i>	Spinelli, Jerry	Realistic	
<i>Midnighters</i>	Westefeld, Scott	Fantasy	Yes
<i>Nothing But the Truth</i>	Avi	Realistic	
<i>Number the Stars</i>	Lowry, Lois	Historical	
<i>On the Run: Chasing the Falconers</i>	Korman, Gordon	Mystery	Yes
<i>Outcasts of 19 Schuyler Place</i>	Konigsburg, E. L.	Realistic	
<i>Peak</i>	Smith, Roland	Realistic	
<i>Princess Academy</i>	Hale, Shannon	Fantasy	
<i>Private Peaceful</i>	Morpurgo, Michael	Historical	
<i>Ravenmaster's Secret</i>	Woodruff, Elmira	Historical	
<i>Riding Freedom</i>	Ryan, Pam Munoz	Historical	
<i>Rues of the Road</i>	Bauer, Joan	Realistic	Yes
<i>Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes</i>	Coerr, Eleanor	Historical	
<i>School Story</i>	Clements, Andrew	Realistic	
<i>Schwa Was Here</i>	Shusterman, Neal	Realistic	
<i>Sea of Trolls</i>	Farmer, Nancy	Fantasy	Yes
<i>Seedfolks</i>	Fleischman, Paul	Realistic	
<i>Silent to the Bone</i>	Konigsburg, E. L.	Realistic	
<i>Sixth Grade Nickname Game</i>	Korman, Gordon	Realistic	
<i>Soldier's Heart</i>	Paulsen, Gary	Historical	

<i>Sons of the Mob</i>	Korman, Gordon	Realistic	Yes
<i>Stargirl</i>	Spinelli, Jerry	Realistic	Yes
<i>Stone Fox</i>	Gardiner, John Reynolds	Historical	
<i>Stormbreaker</i>	Horowitz, Anthony	Science Fiction	Yes
<i>Supernaturalist</i>	Colfer, Eoin	Science Fiction	
<i>Surviving the Applewhites</i>	Tolan, Stephanie	Realistic	
<i>Tangerine</i>	Bloor, Edward	Realistic	
<i>Thief Lord</i>	Funke, Cornelia	Fantasy	
<i>Things Not Seen</i>	Clements, Andrew	Science Fiction	
<i>Tripping Over the Lunch Lady</i>	Mercado, Nancy	Realistic	
<i>True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle</i>	Avi	Historical	
<i>Twilight</i>	Meyer, Stephanie	Fantasy	Yes
<i>Uglies</i>	Westerfield, Scott	Science Fiction	Yes
<i>Underneath, The</i>	Appelt, Kathi	Fantasy	
<i>Under the Blood-Red Sun</i>	Salisbury, Graham	Historical	
<i>View from Saturday</i>	Konigsburg, E. L.	Realistic	
<i>Walk Two Moons</i>	Creech, Sharon	Realistic	
<i>Warrior Heir</i>	Chima, Cinda Williams	Fantasy	Yes
<i>Watsons Go to Birmingham -- 1963</i>	Curtis, Christopher Paul	Historical	
<i>Wednesday Wars</i>	Schmidt, Gary	Historical	
<i>Where he Red Fern Grows</i>	Rawls, Wilson	Historical	
<i>Word Eater, The</i>	Amato, Mary	Fantasy	
<i>Wringer</i>	Spinelli, Jerry	Realistic	

Traditional Literature

Title (Leading <i>the</i> removed)	Author	Sequel /Series
<i>D'Aulaire's Book of Greek Myths</i>	D'Aulaire, Ingri	
<i>D'Aulaire's Book of Norse Myths</i>	D'Aulaire, Ingri	
<i>Myths and Legends</i>	Horowitz, Anthony	
<i>Rough Face Girl</i>	Martin, Rafe	
<i>Outlaws of Sherwood</i>	McKinly, Robin	
<i>Beast</i>	Napoli, Donna Jo	
<i>Bound</i>	Napoli, Donna Jo	
<i>Favorite Greek Myths</i>	Osborne, Mary Pope	
<i>Once and Future King</i>	White, T. H.	
<i>Greyling</i>	Yolen, Jane	
<i>Here There Be Dragons</i>	Yolen, Jane	Yes

Poetry

Title (Leading <i>the</i> removed)	Author	Sequel /Series
<i>Dirty Laundry Pile: Poems in Different Voices</i>	Janeczko, Paul	
<i>For Laughing Out Loud</i>	Prelutsky, Jack	
<i>Headless Horseman Rides Tonight</i>	Prelutsky, Jack	
<i>I Never Said I Wasn't Difficult</i>	Holbrook, Sara	
<i>If You're Not Here, Please Raise Your Hand</i>	Dakos, Kalli	
<i>Joyful Noise</i>	Fleishman, Paul	
<i>Light in the Attic, A</i>	Poetry	
<i>Love That Dog</i>	Creech, Sharon	
<i>One of Those Hideous Books Where the Mother Dies</i>	Sones, Sonya	
<i>Toasting Marshmallows</i>	George, Kristine O'Connell	
<i>Where the Sidewalk Ends</i>	Silverstein, Shel	
<i>What My Mother Doesn't Know</i>	Sones, Sonya	

Biographies, Autobiographies, and Memoirs

Title (Leading <i>the removed</i>)	Author	Sequel /Series
<i>Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl</i>	Frank, Anne	
<i>Guts</i>	Paulsen, Gary	
<i>Helen Keller: A Photographic Story of a Life</i>	Garrett, Leslie	Yes
<i>How Angel Peterson Got His Name</i>	Paulsen, Gary	
<i>My Life in Dog Years</i>	Paulsen, Gary	
<i>Small Steps: The Year I Got Polio</i>	Kehret, Peg	
<i>Tarantula in My Purse</i>	George, Jean Craighead	
<i>Tree Shaker: The Story of Nelson Mandela</i>	Keller, Bill	
<i>Water Buffalo Days: Growing Up in Vietnam</i>	Huynh, Quang Nhuong and Tseng, Jean & Mou-sien	

Informational

Title (Leading <i>the removed</i>)	Author	Sequel /Series
<i>Castle</i>	Macaulay, David	Yes
<i>Hitler Youth</i>	Bartoletti, Susan	
<i>Oh Rats! The Story of Rats and People</i>	Marrin, Albert and Mordan, C. B.	
<i>Way Things Work</i>	Macaulay, David	
<i>World War II</i>	D K Eyewitness Books	
<i>You Wouldn't Want to Be an Egyptian Mummy!</i>	Stewart, David, Salariya, David, and Antram, David	Yes