



2019

# SUMMER READERS

2019 Catalog





“Since we’re officially finished with school these kids got their new summer reading books today! While we’re not current Sonlight users, their summer reading list looked too good to pass up!

—*@themarlatts*



# Welcome!

I am so happy to share with you some quality books to enjoy through the summer.

With the Sonlight Summer Readers, we look for high quality, enjoyable books in a range of genres, that will entertain and delight your family. Because these are Summer Readers, they're meant to be fun. Books that make you happy, that make you want to sit up late in the long summer evenings, enjoying a good book. Books to take to the lake or on a road trip.

You'll find age-appropriate collections for elementary, middle, and high school students, for both boys and girls.

I am a firm advocate for reading that doesn't stop when school does, and I am thrilled to present these books that my daughter Jonelle and I have selected as the most enjoyable titles, out of the thousands we've reviewed over the last year.

Purchase a Summer Reader collection to enjoy yourself now, or save for your children to grow into later.



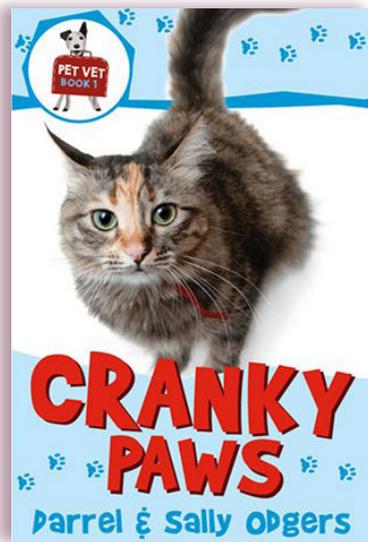
Sarita Holzmann  
Sonlight President



# ELEMENTARY GIRLS

Ages: 5-9

Four early readers with charming illustrations and an emphasis on relationships and fun.



## Cranky Paws

*Told from the perspective of a dog who works at a vet shop, Trump the dog acts as a pet liaison, helping pets and people be at peace. But when an animal needs a home, Trump faces a challenge. #SRE21*

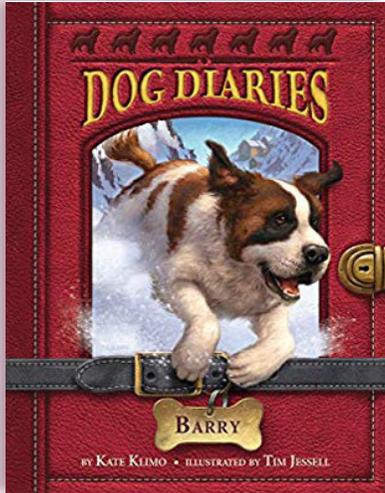
\$4.99



## Mia Mayhem is a Superhero!

Mia thought she was a klutz, but when she receives an unexpected letter that congratulates her on her acceptance to the Program for In Training Superheroes (The PITS), she realizes that she has actually been dealing with some hidden superpowers. And her parents are superheroes in hiding! Cheery illustrated story about a happy superhero family. #SRE22

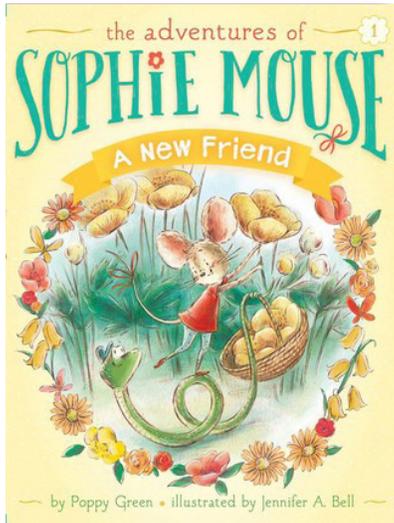
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### Dog Diaries #3: Barry

You will love this true story of the first of the St. Barnard rescue dogs. Barry served in a monastery in Switzerland, where he helped people safely go over a pass. In his life, he was credited with over 40 rescues. Heart-warming and inspiring #SRE23

**\$7.99**



### A New Friend

Charming illustrated book about a mouse girl who has to overcome her fear and prejudice to make a new friend. #SRE24

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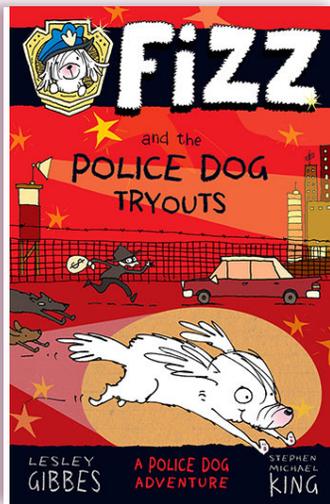
Elementary Girls Summer  
Reading Package 2019 #EG19

**\$24.96**

# ELEMENTARY BOYS

Ages: 5-9

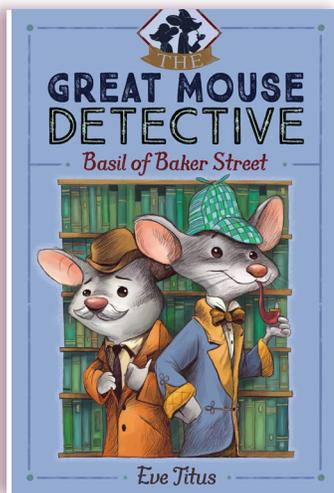
Four books with less text per page, but dramatic and exciting plots for early readers.



## Fizz and the Police Dog Tryouts

When fluffy show dog Fizz decides he wants to become a police dog, this is a new idea for his family. What will happen when he follows his dreams? A cute story about trying one's best. #SRE25

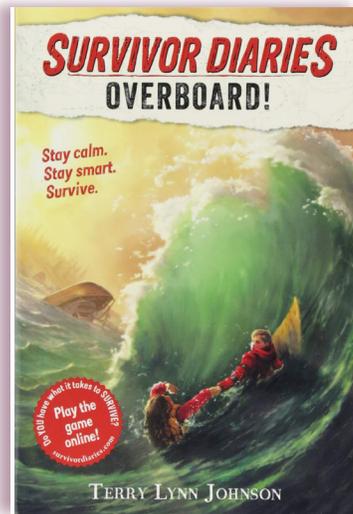
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## Basil of Baker Street (The Great Mouse Detective)

A Sherlock Holmes style mystery for young readers. When twins were mouse-napped, it's up to Basil and Dr. Dawson to find them, before it's too late. #SRE26

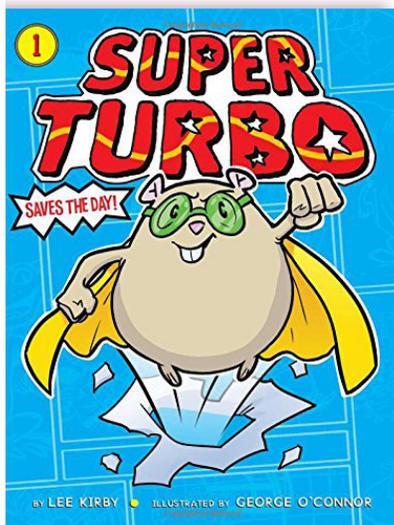
\$5.99



## Overboard! (Survivor Diaries)

When their whale-watching boat capsizes, Travis and Marina have to figure out how to survive. First the ice-cold sea, then once they reach the deserted shore. Exciting. And gain some survival tips! #SRE27

**\$5.99**



## Super Turbo Saves the Day

Classroom pets unite to save their school from the evil mouse rat. Some graphic novel-style illustrations, interwoven with text. Read it out loud, using funny voices, for maximum effect. "This made me very happy. Loved it." #SRE28

**\$5.99**

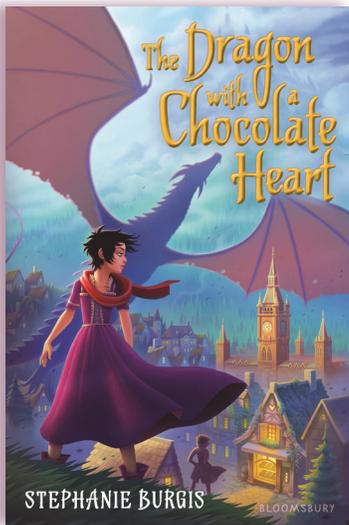
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Reading Package 2019 #EB19

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# MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRLS

Ages: 9-14

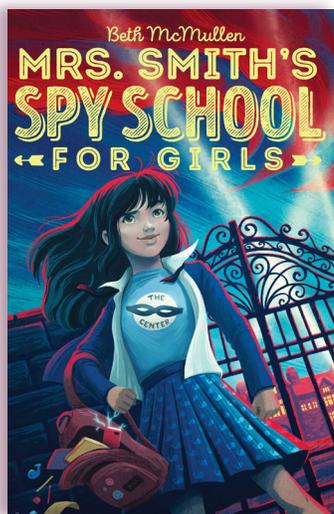
The middle grade years can be a time of social awkwardness, but also a time of self-discovery, when kindness shines extra bright. Four books to enjoy during these transitional years.



## The Dragon with a Chocolate Heart

Fantasy with dragons and chocolate? Why has no one thought of this before! Dragons are supposed to have a specialty, like poetry, history, or philosophy. Aventurine hasn't found her specialty, but after she is turned into a human, she discovers her passion: chocolate. And with that specialty, she is able to save the day when her family comes looking for her. Enjoyable. #SRM18

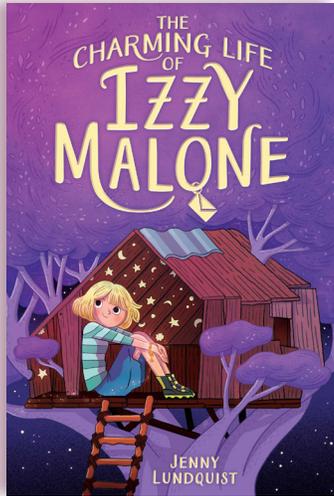
**\$7.99**



## Mrs. Smith's Spy School for Girls

The classic summer reader book. An average girl thinks she's going to a boarding school, but she snoops and realizes it's a spy school. Even more surprising: her mother is a top spy! It's a beach read, a fun read. #SRM19

**\$7.99**



## The Charming Life of Izzy Malone

Izzy might be out of sync with her classmates, and not quite sure of her place in her family. But she is smart and creative, and when she starts to earn new charms for her charm bracelet, she meets with many surprises along the way. Delightful. #SRM20

**\$7.99**



## Finally

When Roby turns twelve, she has a list of things she's been waiting to do, most of which turn out to have horrifying (but hysterical) consequences. But no matter what happens, she is kind and true to herself and doesn't give in to peer pressure. And the ending is a super sweet culmination of many happy things. It leaves a warm glow. #SRM21

**\$6.99**

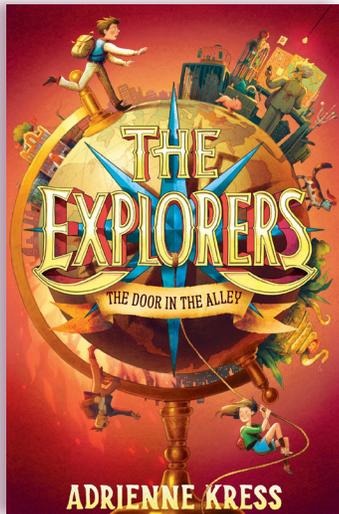
Middle School Girls Summer  
Reading Package 2019 #MGS19

**\$30.96**

# MIDDLE SCHOOL BOYS

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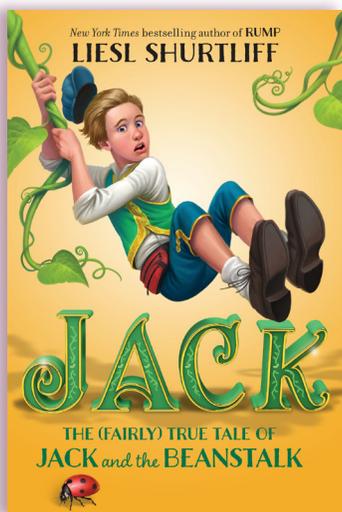
Enticing adventures to encourage both eager and reluctant readers that excitement is found not only in electronics but also in the pages of books.



## The Explorers The Door in the Alley

Fantastical adventures in an unusual setting, with a witty main character and a fun, fast pace. A very uninquisitive boy stumbles upon a very mysterious society. After that: danger and adventure, plus a hidden box, and a lost map. #SRM22

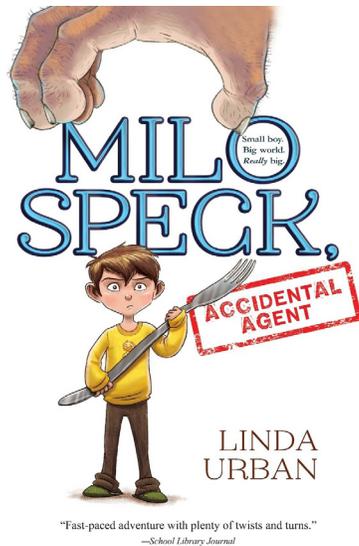
\$7.99



## Jack: The True Tale of Jack and the Beansta

In this fairy tale retelling, Jack and his sister take center stage. As one reviewer said, "This story has a remarkable depth to it . . . full of themes related to the importance of family, what being a hero really means, the power of story, and what real treasure is." Highly recommended. #SRM23

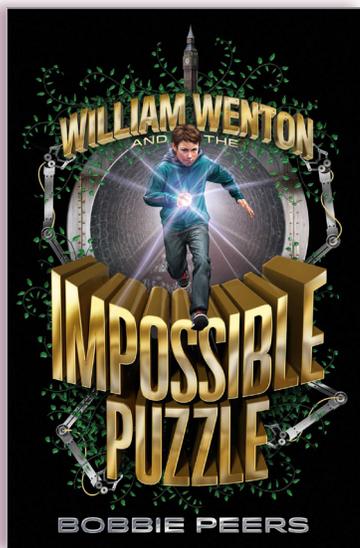
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## Milo Speck

When Milo is sucked into Oregon through the back of his dryer, this is only the beginning of his adventures. A fun and unexpected world. #SRM24

\$7.99



## William Wenton and the Impossible Puzzle

A boy is on the run, and ends up in a wide variety of fun places, solving various puzzles. Includes robots, a door that gets a headache from loud knocking, and subterranean WWII machinery. Fast-paced action. #SRM25

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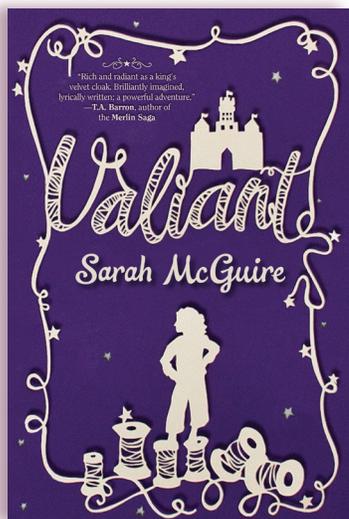
Middle School Boys Summer  
Reading Package 2019 #MB19

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# HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS

Ages: 14-Adult

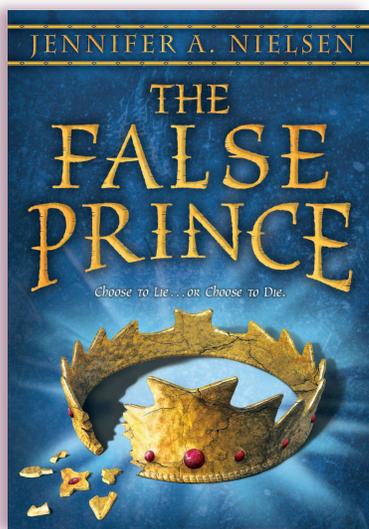
Delightful reads to enjoy at the beach . . . or anywhere!



## Valiant

A really nice take on a fairy tale. Not much romance, but a sweet tale of standing up for what you believe in, and taking care of what you should. #SRH16

**\$9.99**



## The False Prince

Super fun story of court intrigue and perilous survival. When Sage has to impersonate a prince, he pushes the envelope as far as he can. What a defiant fellow this young man is! Attention-grabbing. #SRH22

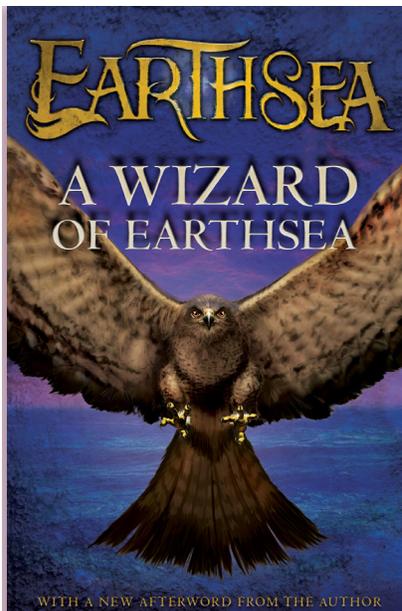
**\$7.99**



## Golden: A Retelling of “Rapunzel”

This play on Rapunzel has a wise enchantress, a good-hearted father, and a (shockingly) bald Rapunzel. Charming and thought-provoking. A book to revisit. #SRH17

**\$7.99**



## A Wizard of Earthsea

At the wizarding school Roke, Ged trained to be a sorcerer, but in his youthful pride, he released a terrible shadow on the world. This is the tale of his attempts to make things right, to master the mighty words of power, to tame an ancient dragon, and to cross death’s threshold to restore the balance. #SRH18

**\$8.99**

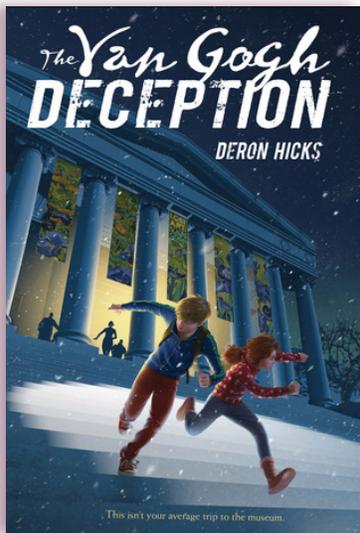
High School Girls Summer  
Reading Package 2019 #HG19

**\$34.96**

# HIGH SCHOOL BOYS

Ages: 14-Adult

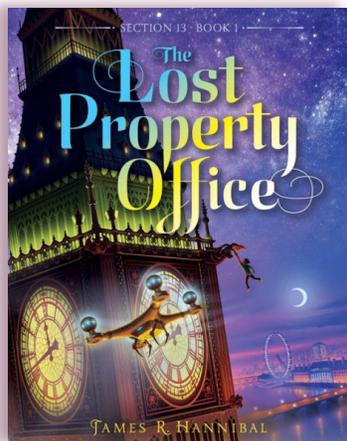
**A**dventure books to enjoy, set in a range of locations.



## The Van Gogh Deception

A forgery mystery, with a boy with amnesia and effective and thorough creeps who are trying to rip off a museum for \$189 million. #SRH21

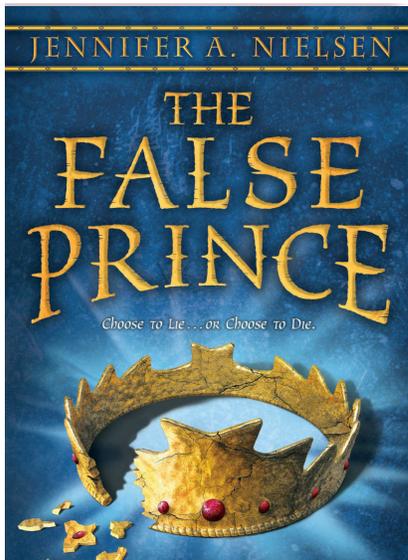
**\$7.99**



## The Lost Property Office

A fun steampunk story, including disturbing deadly beetles, a magical device that will incinerate London, and a magical evil magician who needs a young boy. #SRH20

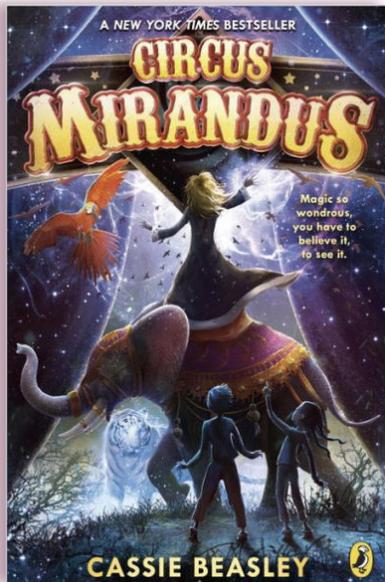
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## Circus Mirandus

Micah believes the stories his dying Grandpa Ephraim tells him of the magical Circus Mirandus. An invisible tiger guarding the gates, the beautiful flying birdwoman, and the magician more powerful than any other—the Man Who Bends Light. With his friend Jenny Mendoza in tow, Micah sets out to find the Circus and the man he believes will save his grandfather. A beautiful journey of discovering who you are and what people mean to you. #SRH19

**\$8.99**

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**\$32.96**