

## Juvenile Reads for Boys



## Youth Services

J/Fiction  
Angleberger

***The Strange Case of Origami Yoda*** by Tom Angleberger 141 pages  
Sixth-grader Tommy and his friends describe their interactions with a paper finger puppet of Yoda, worn by their classmate Dwight, as they try to figure out whether or not the puppet can really predict the future. Look for other *Origami Yoda* books by this author.

J/Fiction  
Baskin

***Anything But Typical*** by Nora Baskin 195 pages  
Jason, a twelve-year-old autistic boy who wants to become a writer, relates what his life is like as he tries to make sense of his world.

J/Fiction  
Choldenko

***Al Capone Does My Shirts*** by Gennifer Choldenko 228 pages  
Twelve-year-old Moose moves to Alcatraz Island in 1935 when guards' families were housed there. He has to adjust to his extraordinary new environment and life with his autistic sister.

J/Fiction  
Cody

***Powerless*** by Matthew Cody 279 pages  
Soon after moving to Noble's Green, Pennsylvania, twelve-year-old Daniel learns that his new friends have super powers that they will lose when they turn thirteen, unless he can use his brain power to protect them.

J/Fiction  
Coville

***My Teacher is an Alien*** by Bruce Coville 123 pages  
After Susan sees Mr. Smith, the substitute teacher, peel off his face, she knows he's an alien and only Peter believes her. Together they work together to save the class from Mr. Smith's horrible plans. Look for other *Alien* books by this author.

J/Fiction  
Dowell

***Phineas L. MacGuire Erupts! The First Experiment*** by Frances Dowell 167 pages  
*From the Highly Scientific Notebooks of Phineas L. MacGuire* series, book one. Fourth-grade science whiz Phineas MacGuire teams up with the new boy in class on a science fair project. The boy's quirky personality causes Phineas to wonder if they have any chance of winning.

J/Fiction  
Giff

***Eleven*** by Patricia Reilly Giff 164 pages  
When Sam discovers an old newspaper clipping just before his eleventh birthday, it brings forth memories from his past, and, with the help of a new friend at school and the castle they are building for a school project, his questions are eventually answered.

J/Fiction  
Guys

***Funny Business*** written by a collection of authors 268 pages  
Book one in the *Guys Read* series. A collection of humorous stories featuring a teenage mummy, a homicidal turkey, and the world's largest pool of chocolate milk. Authors include: Jack Gantos; Jeff Kinney; and Jon Scieszka.

- J/Fiction  
Levy      ***The Misadventures of the Family Fletcher*** by Dana Alison Levy      260 pages  
Relates to the adventures of a family with two fathers, four adopted boys, and a variety of pets as they make their way through a school year and deal with a grumpy new neighbor.
- J/Fiction  
Thirty-Nine      ***The Maze of Bones*** by Rick Riordan      220 pages  
Book one in the *39 Clues* series. At the reading of their grandmother's will, Dan and Amy Cahill are given the choice of receiving a million dollars or uncovering the 39 clues hidden around the world that will lead to the source of the family's power, but by taking on the clues, they end up in a dangerous race against their own family members.
- J/Fiction  
Winerip      ***Adam Canfield of the Slash*** by Michael Winerip      326 pages  
While serving as co-editors of their school newspaper, middle-schoolers Adam and Jennifer uncover fraud and corruption in their school and their city's government.
- J/Fiction  
Winkler      ***Niagara Falls, or Does It?*** by Henry Winkler      133 pages  
Book one in *Hank Zipzer, the Mostly True Confessions of the World's Best Underachiever* series. Fourth graders Hank, Ashley, and Frankie are excitedly preparing for a magic show at the Rock 'N Bowl when Hank's creative alternative to an English essay lands him in detention and grounded the week of the show.
- J/Fiction  
Wynne-Jones      ***Rex Zero and the End of the World*** by Tim Wynne-Jones      186 pages  
In the summer of 1962 everyone is nervous about a possible nuclear war. Ten-year-old Rex moved to Ottawa from Vancouver with his parents and five siblings. He faces his own personal challenges as he discovers new friends and a new understanding of the world around him. Find other *Rex Zero* books by this author.

## Selections From Popular Authors

- J/Fiction  
Clements      Andrew Clements's books include: ***Frindle***; ***Lost and Found***; ***Lunch Money***; ***No Talking***; and ***A Week in the Woods***.
- J/Fiction  
Dixon      Franklin Dixon is the author of the classic ***Hardy Boys*** series.
- J/Fiction  
Sachar      Louis Sachar's books include: ***Dogs Don't Tell Jokes***; ***Holes***; . ***The Wayside School series***
- J/Chapter  
Dixon      Enjoy ***Hardy Boys*** for the beginning reader.
- J/Chapter  
Sachar      Enjoy the ***Marvin Redpost*** series for the beginner reader.