

Suggestions for Grades 4

The One and Only Ivan by Applegate. When Ivan, a gorilla who has lived for years in a down-and-out circus-themed mall, meets Ruby, a baby elephant that has been added to the mall, he decides that he must find her a better life.

Call Number: JF Apple

The Strange Case of Origami Yoda by Angleberger. Tommy and his friends describe their interactions with a finger puppet of Yoda, worn by their classmate Dwight, as they try to figure out if the puppet can really predict the future.

Call Number: JF Angle

Tuck Everlasting by Babbitt. Granted eternal life, the Tucks find that living forever is less of a blessing than it seems.

Call Number: JF Babbi

Chasing Vermeer by Ballitt. When a famous painting disappears, Petra and Calder solve an art scandal.

Call Number: JF and J PB Balli

Anything But Typical by Baskin. Jason, an autistic boy who aspires to be a writer, agonizes as he makes his first real friend who happens to be a girl.

Call Number: JF Baski

The Penderwicks by Birdsall. While on vacation, four sisters share adventures with a local boy, to the dismay of his mother.

Call Number: JF Birds

Cosmic by Boyce. 12 year-old Liam looks like he's 30. Liam cons his way into being the adult chaperone on a space ship to take civilians into space.

Call Number: JF Cottr

Masterpiece by Broach. Marvin, a beetle, makes a drawing as a gift for James, a human with whom he shares a house. Things get out of control when James claims to

have made the drawing himself.

Call Number: JF Broac

Ramona's World by Cleary. With a new baby sister, a new best friend and a nice teacher, Ramona expects fourth grade to be the best year of school yet, but it's not as easy as she expects

Call Number: JF Clear

No Talking by Clements. The boys at school challenge the girls to a "no talking" contest.

Call Number: JF Cleme

James and the Giant Peach by Dahl. A boy escapes from his wicked aunts and goes on an adventure with huge insects inside of a peach.

Call Number: JF Dahl

Out of My Mind by Draper. A brilliant, impatient fifth-grader with cerebral palsy discovers a technological device that will allow her to speak for the first time.

Call Number: JF Drape

Coraline by Gaiman. Coraline enters a mysterious door into a world that is similar, yet different from her own. Here she must challenge a gruesome entity to save herself, her parents, and the souls of three others.

Call Number: JF and J PB Gaima

Pictures of Hollis Woods by Giff. Hollis, an orphan, is staying with elderly Josie. But Josie is growing very forgetful. If Social Services finds out, they'll take Hollis away.

Call Number: JF and J PB Giff

Found by Haddix. Jonah has always known that he was adopted, and he's never thought it was any big deal. Then he and a new friend, Chip, who's also adopted, begin receiving mysterious letters.

Call Number: JF Haddi

All the Lovely Bad Ones by Hahn. While spending the summer at their grandmother's inn, two prankster siblings awaken young ghosts from the inn's distant past who refuse to "rest in peace."

Call Number: JF Hahn

My One Hundred Adventures by Horvath. Bored with every summer being exactly the same, Jane wishes for one hundred adventures.

Call Number: JF Horva

Bunnacula by Howe. Though scoffed at by Harold the dog, Chester the cat tries to warn his human family that their foundling baby bunny must be a vampire.

Call Number: JF Howe

Emmy & The Incredible Shrinking Rat by Jonell. Emmy is under the care of a cruel nanny. At school she can understand her class pet rat. She soon embarks on a dangerous path.

Call Number: JF Jonel

Evolution of Calpurnia Tate by Kelly. Callie is happiest exploring the natural world and conducting experiments, but her mother has other plans for her only daughter.

Call Number: JF Kelly

From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler by Konigsburg. Claudia and Jamie runaway to the Metropolitan Museum of Art and find themselves in a mystery.

Call Number: JF and JPB Konig

The Grand Plan to Fix Everything by Krishnaswami. Dini loves movies, and so when she learns that her family is moving to India for two years, her devastation over leaving her best friend is tempered by the possibility of meeting her favorite actress.

Call Number: JF Krish

Where the Mountain Meets the Moon by Lin. Minli buys a goldfish that is supposed to change its owner's fortunes and sets off on an adventure to save her village.

Call Number: JF Lin

Violet in Bloom by Myracle. Four girls seem to have little in common, but they nurture

their friendship through a social-networking site and a campaign to have healthier snacks served at school.

Call Number: JF Myrac

How to Steal a Dog by O'Connor. Georgina wants to help her poor family. She devises a scheme to get money by stealing a dog.

Call Number: JF Oconn

Wonder by Palacio. Ten-year-old Auggie Pullman, who was born with extreme facial abnormalities and was not expected to survive, goes from being home-schooled to entering fifth grade at a private middle school in Manhattan, which entails enduring the taunting and fear of his classmates as he struggles to be seen as just another student.

Call Number: JF Palac

How to Eat Fried Worms by Rockwell.

Two boys set out to prove that worms can make a delicious meal.

Call Number: JPB Rockw

The Invention of Hugo Cabret by Selznick.

When Hugo, an orphan living in a train station, meets a toy seller, his biggest secret is threatened.

Call Number: JF Selzn

Meanwhile by Shiga. In this choose-your-own adventure graphic novel, a boy stumbles on the laboratory of a mad scientist who asks him to choose between testing a mind-reading device, a time machine, and a doomsday machine.

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One Crazy Summer by Williams-Garcia. In 1968, Delphine and her two younger sisters discover that their mother, a dedicated poet and printer, is resentful of their visit and wants them to attend a nearby summer camp.

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