

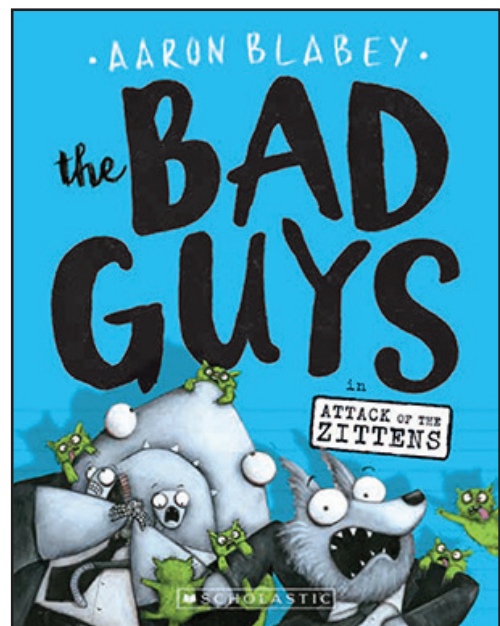


The Bad Guys in Attack of the Zittens

by Aaron Blabey

Booktalk!

The evil Dr. Marmalade has unleashed an army of “zittens,” which are zombie kittens. It is up to the Bad Guys to save the world from these furry, adorable, flesh-eating monsters! With the help of Agent Fox, they locate Granny Gumbo, the toothy, peculiar, and feisty alligator who has an insatiable appetite for all things slithery. Granny Gumbo’s zombie kitten antidote may be just what they need to save the world from the zitten apocalypse. But will the Bad Guys be able to stop Dr. Marmalade in time before he unleashes his master plan?



Best for Grades 2-3





Purrmaids #1: The Scaredy Cat

by Sudipta Bardhan-Quallen

Booktalk!

It's the first day of sea school in KittenTail Cove, and Purrmaids Coral, Angel, and Shelley are very excited. They've been friends fur-ever. At their new teacher's suggestion, the friends decide to search for something unique to show at school, but they swim to Tortoiseshell Reef, a very scary place where barracudas, giant squids, and sharks live. When the Purrmaids discover a shipwreck, they want to explore! It's "meow or never." Will it be a cat-tastrophe or will they learn that there are good fish in the sea?



Best for Grades 1-3





Moby Shinobi: Ninja at the Pet Shop

by Luke Flowers

Booktalk!

Ninjas are heroic, honest, and brave. That's why when Moby finds a lost puppy, he takes it to a pet shop right away. When he gets there, he finds out they are having a pet festival! They could really use a hand with the hounds, so Moby helps by scrubbing the dogs with soap and water, but they soon turn the place into a bubbly mess. Then during feeding time, Moby mixes up the treats and gives the wrong ones to most of the animals. Snakes are given bones, and puppies get carrots. Oops! When a big python is set loose, Moby has one more chance to redeem himself. What will he do?



Best for Grades K-2



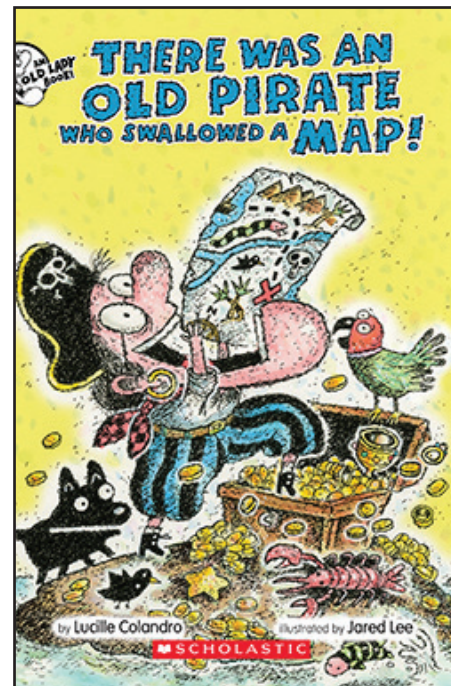


There Was an Old Pirate Who Swallowed a Map!

by Lucille Colandro, illustrated by Jared Lee

Booktalk!

It's not known why the old pirate actually swallowed a map. "But it wasn't a trap!" She needs to know which way to go, and reading a map will let her know. Will she swallow a line to hold the map? After all, the line is used to hoist the sail, which will steer the pirates toward their trail. She even swallows a sword to cut the line! Now that the old pirate has swallowed all of these things, the other pirates can plant a flag and stake their claim. This adventure proves to be one wild pirate ship ride!



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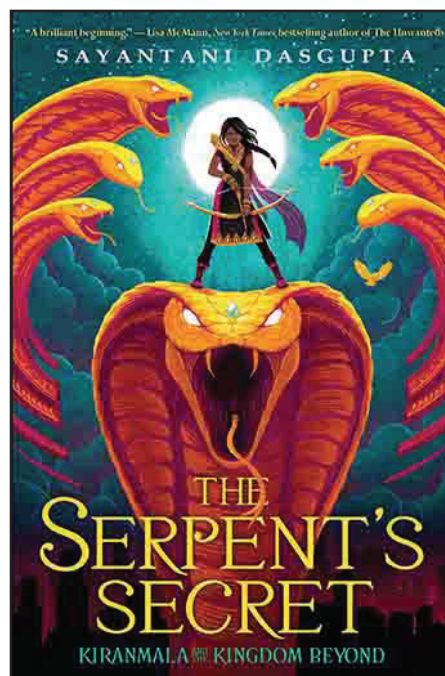


Kiranmala and the Kingdom Beyond #1: The Serpent's Secret

by Sayantani DasGupta

Booktalk!

Most of us look forward to our birthdays, but when Kiranmala returns home from school on her 12th birthday, she is more than surprised at what is waiting for her. First, her parents are nowhere to be found. Then, a massive, drooling demon is tearing apart their kitchen, one appliance at a time. When two princes arrive at her door on horseback, she thinks she must be dreaming! But then, the princes tell her the story her parents have been telling her for as long as she can remember. Turns out, Kiranmala is a real princess! Now, she must return to the magical realm and become who she really is in order to save her parents.



Best for Grades 4-8



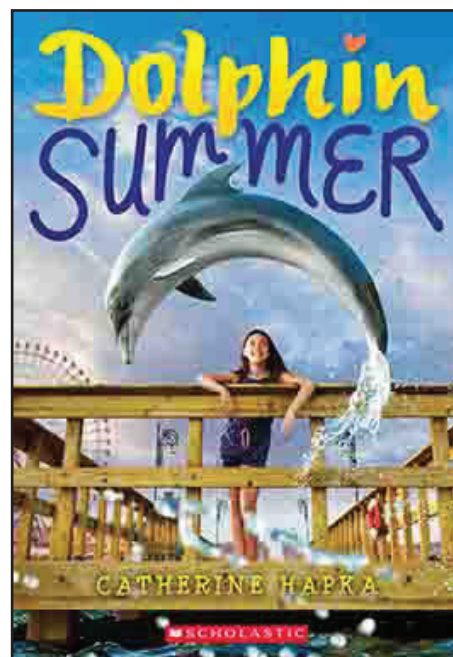


Dolphin Summer

by Catherine Hapka

Booktalk!

Summer vacation looks like it might be a total disaster for Lily. Her best friends leave for summer camp without even asking, and then her parents give her a mandatory summer reading list! All Lily wants to do is hang out at the local aquarium and learn how to become a marine biologist. When Lily discovers a dolphin trapped in one of the nearby canals, she knows it means danger, if not death, for the beautiful creature. If the dolphin doesn't find its way back into the bay, it could be in serious trouble. Could saving this dolphin be Lily's destiny?



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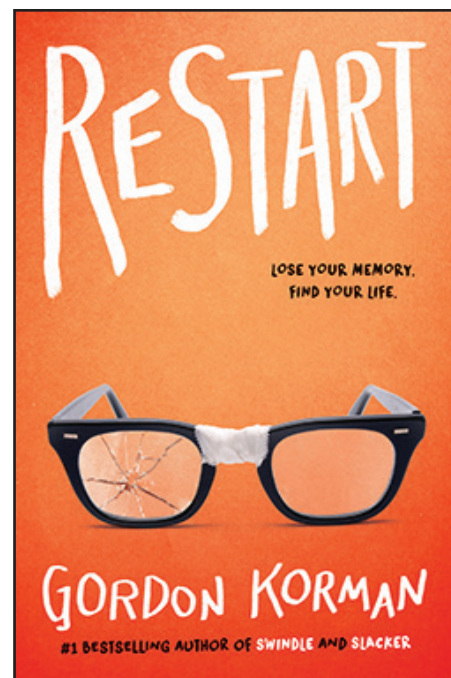


Restart

by Gordon Korman

Booktalk!

Chase Ambrose thinks the worst thing about falling off his roof is the loss of his memory. But it turns out that learning about the person he was before the fall is even worse! Chase finds out he was the school's star athlete and big man on campus — and he also finds out that he was a bully. He's even been sentenced to community service at the local senior center for a prank that literally blew up in his face. Now, Chase actually enjoys helping people, and even befriends some of his former victims. He has the chance to hit the restart button on his life, but which version of Chase will he decide to be?



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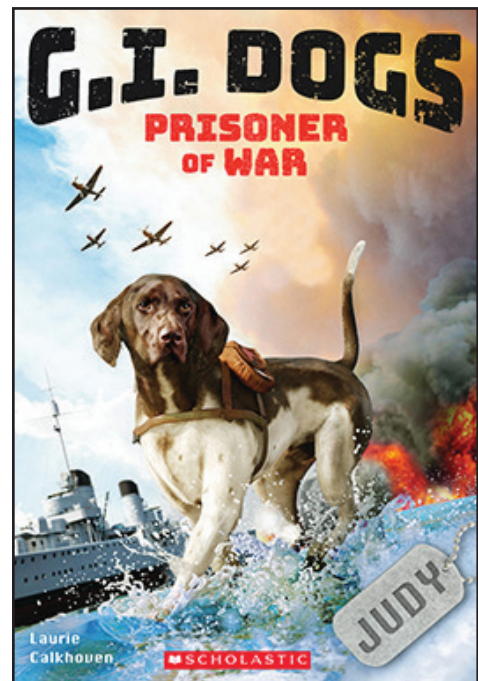
Booktalk!

G.I. Dogs #1: Judy, Prisoner of War

by Laurie Calkhoven

Booktalk!

During World War II, an English pointer named Judy was the only animal to become an official prisoner of war. Judy learned early in her life that not all humans were kind, but she also learned that humans needed dogs. A dog's sense of smell is 100,000 times stronger than a human's! Judy was able to sense when enemy war planes were close. And the soldiers' morale was always better when she was around. Newspapers wrote stories about Judy, and she even barked on the radio! This remarkable dog was even made a member of the Royal Air Force — uniform and all.



Best for Grades 4-6



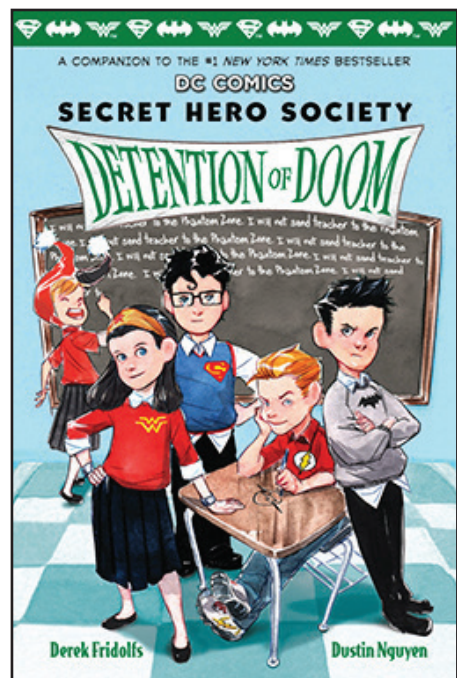


DC Comics Secret Hero Society: Detention of Doom

by *Derek Fridolfs and Dustin Nguyen*

Booktalk!

Young Clark Kent is invited to an awards ceremony sponsored by his rival Lex Luthor's family business. He is excited to see his friends Bruce Wayne and Diana Prince there, but the outstanding student awards turn out to be portals to another dimension! The future superheroes find themselves in phantom detention, and to escape they will have to battle shadow creatures in a realm that has nullified their powers. Bruce has his "Batcomputer" and the aid of a robotic drone, but will old-fashioned detective skills and teamwork be enough to get the friends back home?



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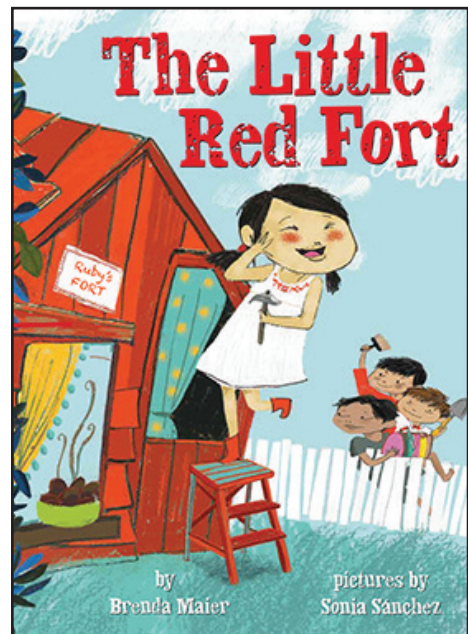
Booktalk!

The Little Red Fort

by Brenda Maier, illustrated by Sonia Sánchez

Booktalk!

Ruby's mind is always full of ideas. When she finds some old wood boards, she wants to build something, but first she'd like some help drawing plans, gathering supplies, cutting boards, and hammering nails. She asks her three brothers, but they are not interested in the project at all. "We don't want to play anyway," the boys say. But when Ruby's brothers see the incredible results of her hard work, maybe they'll help her build the fort after all, or at least make a mailbox, plant flowers, and paint it fire-engine red.



Best for Grades K-3

Booktalk!

The Magician's Hat

by Malcolm Mitchell, illustrated by Joanne Lew-Vriethoff

Booktalk!

Nothing could be as special as the library's Family Fun Day! The games were fun, but when a magician shows up, everything changes. After performing tricks, he takes off his special hat, promising the kids in his audience they can find whatever they want to be inside his hat. One boy wants to be a football player, and when he reaches in the hat, he pulls out a football book that will teach him the skills he needs to fulfill his dream. Another boy doesn't believe the hat is special, so his dream didn't come true. But when the hat shows the boy's real desire, magic truly does happen, proving that magic is always inside a book!



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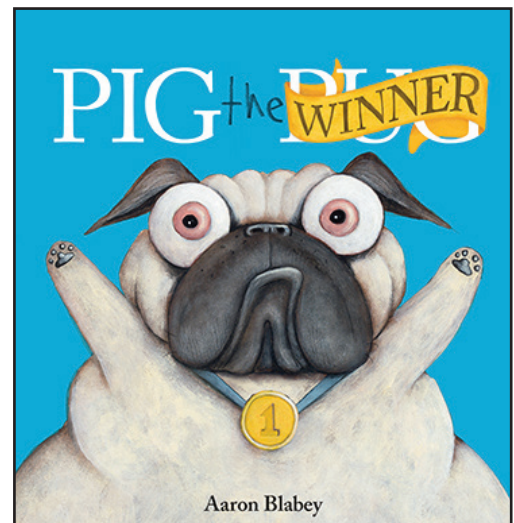
Booktalk!

Pig the Winner

by Aaron Blabey

Booktalk!

If Pig the Pug doesn't always win, it ruins his day. He must always come first, even if it means cheating! And when Pig loses, he screams, sobs, and sulks. Yes, Pig must always win, and he doesn't want anything to stop him! Meanwhile, Trevor just wants to have fun. Winning isn't important to him. And Trevor definitely does not want to compete in an eating race with Pig. But when Pig wolfs down his food so fast that he accidentally swallows his bowl, it's Trevor to the rescue! Maybe Pig the Pug will finally learn that winning at everything is not always fun.



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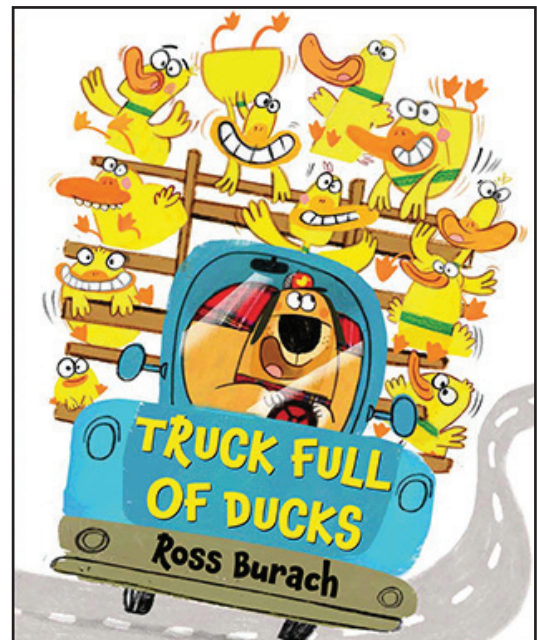
Booktalk!

Truck Full of Ducks

by Ross Burach

Booktalk!

Someone just called Bernie's delivery service requesting a truck full of ducks, but one of the ducks eats the customer's directions! Bernie isn't worried though, and he assures the ducks that they will find the right customer in time, even if that means asking lots of questions and making lots of stops! They answer delivery calls for a dump truck, an ice cream truck, a truck full of crackers, a tow truck, and even a duck removal truck. When the truck full of ducks arrives at a fox's house, they hope he isn't the one who made the call. Or is he?



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