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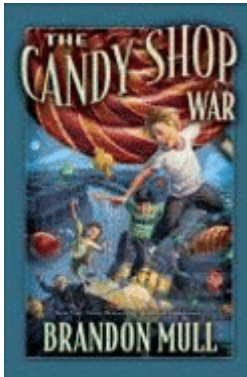
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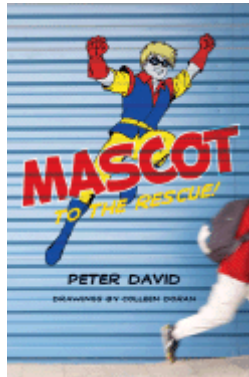
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**The Candy Shop War**  
Brandon Mull

Four young friends, Nate, Summer, Trevor, and Pigeon, are befriended by the owner of a new candy shop whose confections have magical side effects. She invites the kids on a special mission to retrieve a hidden treasure. However, she is not the only magician in town to search for the ancient artifact. Soon the four friends must rely on each other to save their town and the world from some diabolical magicians.

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**Mascot to the Rescue**  
Peter David

Sixth grader Josh Miller has a secret. Everything that happens to Mascot, the superhero sidekick in the Captain Major comic books, also happens to Josh. So when Josh finds out that Mascot is slated to die in the next Captain Major adventure, he knows he has to do something--and fast! A budding comics artist and writer himself, Josh and his new friend, Kelsey (aka Large Lass), take off to find Stan Kirby, the creator of the Captain Major series, so they can save Mascot-- and Josh's life.

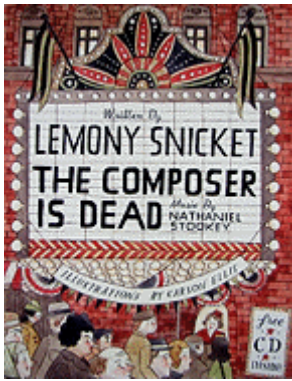
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**Chicken Cheeks**  
Michael Ian Black

Some bears will go to any length to get some honey. This one recruits every animal that comes along to form, well, a stack. The result? Tail of the duck to the gluteus maximus of the duck-billed platypus (with many other rears in between). Readers will giggle with delight at the bird's eye view of some hysterical animal bottoms. Follow this back-sided journey up the tree - where the real surprise awaits. The pairing of Black's minimal text with Hawkes's visual story line will keep you chuckling from the bottom up.

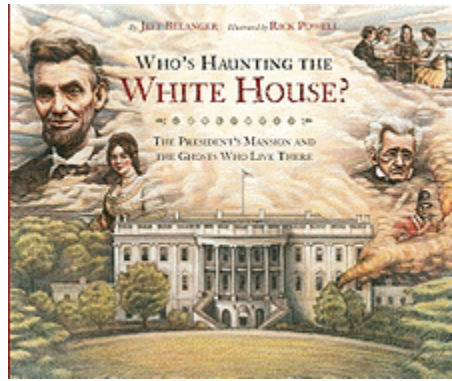
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**The Composer is Dead**  
Lemony Snicket

A murder has been committed in the symphony hall, and the culprit is lurking in the orchestra. A "Peter and the Wolf" for the 21st century, this book comes with a CD featuring narration by Lemony Snicket and original music performed by the San Francisco Symphony.

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**Who's Haunting the White House: The President's Mansion and the Ghosts Who Live There**  
Jeff Belanger

Come explore the spooky world inside the White House! It's one of America's most famous and haunted homes. Read true, scary stories from past Presidents and First Ladies, as well as from staff who work there every day and have had the chance to see it all. Is Abigail Adams still hanging laundry on the premises? Is Abraham Lincoln a permanent fixture in the bedroom that bears his name? These figures, and others, has been spotted or heard from. To increase the chills, a variety of archival images and original illustrations capture the hauntings.

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**Skeleton Creek**  
Patrick Carman

Strange things are happening in Skeleton Creek . . . and Ryan and Sarah are trying to get to the heart of it. But after an eerie accident leaves Ryan housebound and forbidden to see Sarah, their investigation takes two tracks: Ryan records everything in his journal, while Sarah uses her videocam to search things out. . .and then email the clips for Ryan to see.

In a new, groundbreaking format, the story is broken into two parts -- Ryan's text in the book, and Sarah's videos on a special website, with links and passwords given throughout the book.

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