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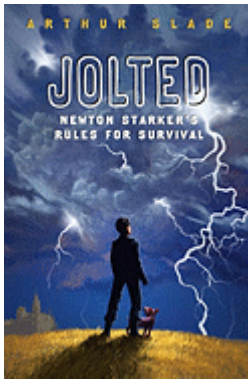
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Jolted: Newton Starker's Rules for Survival
Arthur Slade

Newton Goddard Starker lives with a mysterious curse. Members of the Starker family attract lightning, and nearly all his relatives have died from lightning strikes. Newton is determined to beat the odds, and he may have found the answer: Jerry Potts Academy for Survival, a boarding school in Moose Jaw, Canada. Its motto is: Survival Through Fierce Intelligence.

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Lost Island of Tamarind
Nadia Aguiar

Maya Nelson isn't your typical thirteen-year-old. She's spent her whole life living on the sea with her marine biologist parents, her younger brother, Simon, and baby sister, Penny. Maya used to love living on a sailboat, but lately, everything feels terribly claustrophobic. Maya longs to go to school on land. To make friends. To lead a normal life. But when a violent storm hits and Maya's parents are washed overboard, life becomes anything but normal. The children manage to steer the boat toward a mysterious island, to a place that doesn't exist on a map. Welcome to Tamarind, where fish can fly, pirates patrol the waters, jaguars lurk, the islanders are at war, and an evil, child-stealing enchantress rules the jungle.

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Fablehaven
Brandon Mull

For centuries, mystical creatures of all description were gathered to a hidden refuge called Fablehaven to prevent their extinction. Enchanting? Absolutely. Exciting? You bet. Safe? Well, actually, quite the opposite ... Kendra and her brother Seth have no idea their grandfather is the current caretaker of Fablehaven. Inside the gated woods, ancient laws give relative order among greedy trolls, mischievous satyrs, plotting witches, spiteful imps, and jealous fairies. However, when the rules get broken, an arcane evil is unleashed, forcing Kendra and Seth to face the greatest challenge of their lives. To save her family, Fablehaven, and perhaps the world, Kendra must find the courage to do what she fears most.

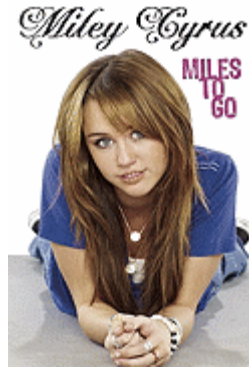
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Red Blazer Girls: The Ring of Rocamadour
Michael D. Beil

It all began with *The Scream*. And ended with . . . well, if we told you that, it wouldn't be a mystery! But in between *The Scream* and *The Very Surprising Ending*, three friends find themselves on a scavenger hunt set up for a girl they never met, in search of a legendary ring reputed to grant wishes. Are these sleuths in school uniforms modern-day equivalents of Nancy, Harriet, or Scooby? Not really, they're just three nice girls who decide to help out a weird lady, and end up hiding under tables, tackling word puzzles and geometry equations, and searching rather moldy storage rooms for "the stuff that dreams are made of" (that's from an old detective movie). Oh, and there's A Boy, who complicates things. As boys often do. Intrigued? "The Red Blazer Girls" offers a fun, twisty adventure for those who love mystery, math (c'mon, admit it!), and a modest measure of mayhem.

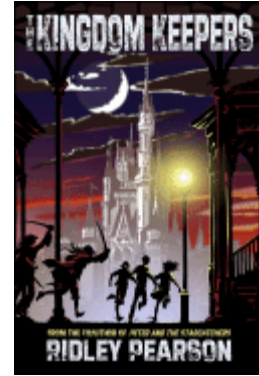
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Miles to Go
Miley Cyrus

For the first time ever, fans of Miley Cyrus will get a chance to hear her story. Covering everything from her Southern roots in Tennessee to her meteoric triumphs in television, music, and film, this is the must-have book for any fan of the teen sensation. Includes never-before-seen photos, poems, drawings, and stories.

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The Kingdom Keepers
Ridley Pearson

When Disney comes looking for five teenagers to serve as actors for a new technology there is more to it than meets the eye. Strange things have been happening inside the Florida park: parts from one ride are found mysteriously moved to another; in the Fantasmic! show, the dragon unexplainably triumphs over Mickey. Finn Whitman, a middle-schooler, goes to sleep one night and has the dream of a lifetime: he "wakes up" inside Disney World as his DHI character, a glowing hologram. He meets an old man there, Wayne, who claims to be one of the original Imagineers and explains to Finn that he "and your friends" have a mission to save the park from forces that humans can neither see nor hear. Not believing his dream, but not totally discounting it, Finn, back in real life, sets out to find the four other kids who were chosen and in doing so he learns an eerie fact: he is not alone in this "dream." The others have had similar experiences. What if this is for real?

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