

Juvenile Fantasy

13 Treasures Harrison, Michelle

Bedeviled by evil fairies that only she can see, thirteen-year-old Tanya is sent to stay with her cold and distant grandmother at Elveden Manor, where she and the caretaker's son solve a disturbing mystery that leads them to the discovery that Tanya's life is in danger. [Check library catalog.](#)

100 Cupboards (100 Cupboards trilogy; book 1) Wilson, N.D.

After his parents are kidnapped, timid twelve-year-old Henry York leaves his sheltered Boston life and moves to small-town Kansas, where he and his cousin Henrietta discover and explore hidden doors in his attic room that seem to open onto other worlds. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Akhenaten Adventure (Children of the Lamp series; book 1) Kerr, P.B.

When twelve-year-old twins Philippa and John discover that they are descended from a long line of djinn, their mother sends them away to their Uncle Nimrod, who takes them to Cairo where he starts to teach them about their extraordinary powers. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Amulet of Samarkand (The Bartimaeus series) Stroud, Jonathon Nathaniel, a magician's apprentice, summons up the djinni Bartimaeus and instructs him to steal the Amulet of Samarkand from the powerful magician Simon Lovelace. [Check library catalog.](#)

Artemis Fowl (Artemis Fowl series; book 1) Colfer, Eoin

When a twelve-year-old evil genius tries to restore his family fortune by capturing a fairy and demanding a ransom in gold, the fairies fight back with magic, technology, and a particularly nasty troll. [Check library catalog.](#)

Beyond the Deepwoods (The Edge Chronicles; book 1) Stewart, Paul

Thirteen-year-old Twig, having always looked and felt different from his wood troll family, learns that he is adopted and travels out of his Deepwoods home to find the place where he belongs. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Black Book of Secrets Higgins, F.E.

When Ludlow Fitch runs away from his thieving parents in the City, he meets up with the mysterious Joe Zabbidou, who calls himself a secret pawnbroker, and who takes Ludlow as an apprentice to record the confessions of the townspeople of Pagus Parvus, where resentments are many and trust is scarce. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Book of Three (The Chronicles of Prydain; book 1) Lloyd, Alexander
Taran, Assistant Pig-Keeper to a famous oracular sow, sets out on a hazardous mission to save Prydain from the forces of evil. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Capture (Guardians of Ga'hoole series; book 1) Lasky, Kathryn
Soren is born in the forest of Tyto, a tranquil kingdom where the Barn Owls dwell. But evil lurks in the owl world, evil that threatens to shatter Tyto's peace and change the course of Soren's life forever. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Castle in the Attic (sequel Battle for the Castle) Winthrop, Elizabeth
A gift of a toy castle, complete with silver knight, introduces William to an adventure involving magic and a personal quest. [Check library catalog.](#)

Charmed Life (The Chrestomanci Chronicles; book 1) Jones, Diana Wynne
Gwendolen Chant and her brother Cat find the Chrestomancie Castle family's magic powers difficult to counter with the inferior powers of the Coven Street witches. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Coming of Dragons (Darkest Age series; book 1) Lake, A.J.
Two eleven-year-olds named Edmund and Elspeth discover that they have been given fantastic gifts to use against the ancient and evil forces that have been awakened by powerful magic during the Dark Ages in Great Britain. [Check library catalog.](#)

The City of the Beasts (The Alexander Cold trilogy; book 1) Allende, Isabel
When fifteen-year-old Alexander Cold accompanies his individualistic grandmother on an expedition to find a humanoid Beast in the Amazon, he experiences ancient wonders and a supernatural world as he tries to avert disaster for the Indians. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Dark Hills Divide (The Land of Elyon series; book 1) Carman, Patrick
When she finds the key to a secret passageway leading out of the walled city of Bridewell, twelve-year-old Alexa realizes her lifelong wish to explore the mysterious forests and mountains that lie beyond the wall. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Doll People (sequels The Meanest Doll in the World and The Runaway Dolls) Martin, Ann M.
A family of porcelain dolls that has lived in the same house for one hundred years is taken aback when a new family of plastic dolls arrives and doesn't follow The Doll Code of Honor. Annabelle Doll is eight years old- she has been for more than a hundred years. Not a lot has happened to her, cooped up

in the dollhouse, with the same doll people, day after day, year after year...until one day the Funcrafts move in. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Door to Time (Ulysess Moore series; book 1) Baccalario, Pierdomenico
After moving from London to an old mansion on the English coast, eleven-year-old twins Jason and Julia discover that their new home has twisting tunnels, strange artifacts from around the world, and a mysterious, locked door. [Check library catalog.](#)

Dragon Rider Funke, Cornelia

After learning that humans are headed toward his hidden home, Firedrake, a silver dragon, is joined by a brownie and an orphan boy in a quest to find the legendary valley known as the Rim of Heaven, encountering friendly and unfriendly creatures along the way, and struggling to evade the relentless pursuit of an old enemy. [Check library catalog.](#)

Endymion Spring Skelton, Matthew

Having reluctantly accompanied his academic mother and pesky younger sister to Oxford, twelve-year-old Blake Winters is at loose ends until he stumbles across an ancient and magical book, secretly brought to England in 1453 by Gutenberg's mute apprentice to save it from evil forces, and which now draws Blake into a dangerous and life-threatening quest. [Check library catalog.](#)

Eragon (The Inheritance Trilogy; book 1) Paolini, Christopher

In Aagaesia, a fifteen-year-old boy of unknown lineage called Eragon finds a mysterious stone that weaves his life into an intricate tapestry of destiny, magic, and power, peopled with dragons, elves, and monsters. [Check library catalog.](#)

Fablehaven (Fablehaven series; book 1) Mull, Brandon

When Kendra and Seth go to stay at their grandparents' estate, they discover that it is a sanctuary for magical creatures and that a battle between good and evil is looming. [Check library catalog.](#)

Fairy Tale Detectives (Sisters Grimm series; book 1) Buckley, Michael

Orphans Sabrina and Daphne Grimm are sent to live with an eccentric grandmother that they have always believed to be dead. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Field Guide (The Spiderwick Chronicles; book 1) DiTerlizzi, Tony

When the Grace children go to stay at their Great Aunt Lucinda's worn Victorian house, they discover a field guide to fairies and other creatures and begin to have some unusual experiences. [Check library catalog.](#)

The False Princess O'Neal, Eilis

For sixteen years, Nalia has been raised as the princess of Thorvaldor, but one day she learns that her real name is Sinda and that she is part of a complicated plot that would change the future of her country forever. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Frog Princess (Tales of the Frog Princess; book1) Baker, E.D.

After reluctantly kissing a frog, an awkward, fourteen-year-old princess suddenly finds herself a frog, too, and sets off with the prince to seek the means--and the self-confidence--to become human again. [Check library catalog.](#)

Foundling (Monster Blood Tattoo series; book 1) Cornish, D.M.

Having grown up in a home for foundlings and possessing a girl's name, Rossamünd sets out to report to his new job as a lamplighter and has several adventures along the way as he meets people and monsters who are more complicated than he previously thought. [Check library catalog.](#)

Gods of Manhattan (Gods of Manhattan series; book 1) Mebus, Scott

Thirteen-year-old Rory discovers a spirit world that thrives alongside his contemporary New York City, filled with fantastical creatures and people from the city's colorful past who have become gods and goddesses and who have chosen Rory to perform a dangerous mission. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Golden Compass (His Dark Materials Trilogy; book 1) Pullman, Philip

Accompanied by her daemon, Lyra Belacqua sets out to prevent her best friend and other kidnapped children from becoming the subject of gruesome experiments in the Far North. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Graveyard Book Gaiman, Neil

Nobody Owens is a normal boy, except that he has been raised by ghosts and other denizens of the graveyard. [Check library catalog.](#)

Gregor the Overlander (The Underland Chronicles; book 1) Collins, Suzanne

When eleven-year-old Gregor and his two-year-old sister are pulled into a strange underground world, they trigger an epic battle involving men, bats, rats, cockroaches, and spiders while on a quest foretold by ancient prophecy. [Check library catalog.](#)

Half Magic (The Magic series; book 1) Eager, Edward

Faced with a dull summer in the city, Jane, Mark, Katharine, and Martha suddenly find themselves involved in a series of extraordinary adventures after

Jane discovers an ordinary-looking coin that seems to grant wishes. [Check library catalog.](#)

Inkheart (Inkheart trilogy; book 1) Funke, Cornelia

Twelve-year-old Meggie learns that her father, who repairs and binds books for a living, can "read" fictional characters to life when one of those characters abducts them and tries to force him into service. [Check library catalog.](#)

Into the Land of Unicorns (The Unicorn Chronicles; book 1) Coville, Bruce
Having jumped into the fantasy land of Luster, Cara joins Lightfoot the unicorn in the search for Queen Arabella Skydancer. [Check library catalog.](#)

Into the Wild (Warriors series; book 1) Hunter, Erin

For generations, four clans of wild cats have shared the forest. When their warrior code is threatened by mysterious deaths, a house cat named Rusty may turn out to be the bravest warrior of all. [Check library catalog.](#)

Into the Wild (sequel Out of the Wild) Durst, Sarah Beth

Having escaped from the Wild and the preordained fairy tale plots it imposes, Rapunzel, along with her daughter Julie Marchen, tries to live a fairly normal life, but when the Wild breaks free and takes over their town, it is Julie who has to prevent everyone from being trapped in the events of a story. [Check library catalog.](#)

Into the Woods Gardner, Lyn

Pursued by the sinister Dr. DeWilde and his ravenous wolves, three sisters-- Storm, the inheritor of a special musical pipe, the elder Aurora, and the baby Any--flee into the woods and begin a treacherous journey filled with many dangers as they try to find a way to defeat their pursuer and keep him from taking the pipe and control of the entire land. [Check library catalog.](#)

Kenny and the Dragon DiTerlizzi, Tony

Book-loving Kenny the rabbit has few friends in his farming community, so when one, bookstore owner George, is sent to kill another, gentle dragon Grahame, Kenny must find a way to prevent their battle while satisfying the dragon-crazed townspeople. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Lightning Thief (Percy Jackson and the Olympians series; book 1) Riordan, Rick

Twelve-year-old Percy Jackson learns he is a demigod, the son of a mortal woman and Poseidon, god of the sea. His mother sends him to a summer camp

for demigods where he and his new friends set out on a quest to prevent a war between the gods. [Check library catalog.](#)

Lionboy (Lionboy trilogy; book 1) Corder, Zizou

In the near future, a boy with the ability to speak the language of cats sets out from London to seek his kidnapped parents and finds himself on a Paris-bound circus ship learning to train lions. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe (The Chronicles of Narnia; book 1) Lewis, C. S.

Four English schoolchildren find their way through the back of a wardrobe into the magic land of Narnia and assist Aslan, the golden lion, to triumph over the White Witch, who has cursed the land with eternal winter. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Lost Years of Merlin (Lost Years of Merlin series; book 1) Barron, T.A.

A young boy who has no identity nor memory of his past washes ashore on the coast of Wales and finds his true name after a series of fantastic adventures. [Check library catalog.](#)

Magyk (Septimus Heap series; book 1) Sage, Angie

After learning that she is the Princess, Jenna is whisked from her home and carried toward safety by the Extraordinary Wizard, those she always believed were her father and brother, and a young guard known only as Boy 412--pursued by agents of those who killed her mother ten years earlier. [Check library catalog.](#)

Midnight for Charlie Bone (Children of the Red King series; book 1) Nimmo, Jenny

Charlie Bone's life with his widowed mother and two grandmothers undergoes a dramatic change when he discovers that he can hear people in photographs talking. [Check library catalog.](#)

Once Upon a Marigold Ferris, Jean

A young man with a mysterious past and a penchant for inventing things leaves the troll who raised him, meets an unhappy princess he has loved from afar, and discovers a plot against her and her father. [Check library catalog.](#)

Over Sea, Under Stone (The Dark is Rising Sequence; book 1) Cooper, Susan

Three children on a holiday in Cornwall find an ancient manuscript which sends them on a dangerous quest for a grail that would reveal the true story of King Arthur. [Check library catalog.](#)

Peter and the Starcatchers (Peter and the Starcatchers series; book 1) Barry, Dave

Soon after Peter, an orphan, sets sail from England on the ship Never Land, he befriends and assists Molly, a young Starcatcher, whose mission is to guard a trunk of magical stardust from a greedy pirate and the native inhabitants of a remote island. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Phantom Tollbooth Juster, Norton

A journey through a land where Milo learns the importance of words and numbers provide a cure for his boredom. [Check library catalog.](#)

Princess Academy Hale, Shannon

While attending a strict academy for potential princesses with the other girls from her mountain village, fourteen-year-old Miri discovers unexpected talents and connections to her homeland. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Princess Test (The Princess Tales; book 1) Levine, Gail Carson

In this humorous retelling of Hans Christian Andersen's "The Princess and the Pea," Lorelei must pass many difficult tests in order to prove that she is a true princess and win the hand of Prince Nicholas. [Check library catalog.](#)

Runemarks Harris, Joanne

Maddy Smith, who bears the mysterious mark of a rune on her hand, learns that she is destined to join the gods of Norse mythology and play a role in the fate of the world. [Check library catalog.](#)

Reckless Funke, Cornelia

Jacob and Will Reckless have looked out for each other ever since their father disappeared, but when Jacob discovers a magical mirror that transports him to a warring world populated by witches, giants, and ogres, he keeps it to himself until Will follows him one day, with dire consequences. [Check library catalog.](#)

Redwall (Redwall series; book 1) Jacques, Brian

When the peaceful life of ancient Redwall Abbey is shattered by the arrival of the evil rat Cluny and his villainous hordes, Matthias, a young mouse, determines to find the legendary sword of Martin the Warrior which, he is convinced, will help Redwall's inhabitants destroy the enemy. [Check library catalog.](#)

Revenge of the Witch (The Last Apprentice series; book 1) Delaney, Joseph
Young Tom, the seventh son of a seventh son, starts work as an apprentice for

the village spook, whose job is to protect ordinary folk from "ghouls, boggarts, and all manner of wicked beasties." [Check library catalog.](#)

The Ruins of Gorlan (Ranger's Apprentice series; book 1) Flanagan, John
When fifteen-year-old Will is rejected by battleschool, he becomes the reluctant apprentice to the mysterious Ranger Halt, and winds up protecting the kingdom from danger. [Check library catalog.](#)

Savvy (sequel Scumble) Law, Ingrid
Recounts the adventures of Mibs Beaumont, whose thirteenth birthday has revealed her "savvy"--a magical power unique to each member of her family--just as her father is injured in a terrible accident. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Sea of Trolls (sequel The Land of the Silver Apples) Farmer, Nancy
After Jack becomes apprenticed to a Druid bard, he and his little sister Lucy are captured by Viking Berserkers and taken to the home of King Ivar the Boneless and his half-troll queen, leading Jack to undertake a vital quest to Jotunheim, home of the trolls. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Shadow Thieves (Cronus Chronicles; book 1) Ursu, Anne
After her cousin Zee arrives from England, thirteen-year-old Charlotte and he must set out to save humankind from denizens of the underworld, Nightmares, Death, Pain, and a really nasty guy named Phil. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Secret of Platform 13 Ibbotson, Eva
Odge Gribble, a young hag, accompanies an old wizard, a gentle fey, and a giant ogre on their mission through a magical tunnel from their Island to London to rescue their King and Queen's son who had been stolen as an infant. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Search for Delicious Babbitt, Natalie
The Prime Minister is compiling a dictionary and when no one at court can agree on the meaning of delicious, the King sends his twelve-year-old messenger to poll the country. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Search for WondLa Diterlizzi, Tony
Living in isolation with a robot on what appears to be an alien world populated with bizarre life forms, a twelve-year-old human girl called Eva Nine sets out on a journey to find others like her. [Check library catalog.](#)

Silverwing (The Silverwing trilogy; book 1) Oppel, Kenneth
When a newborn bat named Shade but sometimes called "Runt" becomes

separated from his colony during migration, he grows in ways that prepare him for even greater journeys. [Check library catalog.](#)

Skellig Almond, David

Unhappy about his baby sister's illness and the chaos of moving into a dilapidated old house, Michael retreats to the garage and finds a mysterious stranger who is something like a bird and something like an angel. [Check library catalog.](#)

Skulduggery Pleasant (Skulduggery Pleasant series; book 1) Landy, Derek

When twelve-year-old Stephanie inherits her weird uncle's estate, she must join forces with Skulduggery Pleasant, a skeleton mage, to save the world from the Faceless Ones. [Check library catalog.](#)

A Tale Dark and Grimm Gidwitz, Adam

Follows Hansel and Gretel as they walk out of their own story and into eight more tales, encountering such wicked creatures as witches, along with kindly strangers and other helpful folk. Based in part on the Grimms' fairy tales Faithful Johannes, Hansel and Gretel, The seven ravens, Brother and sister, The robber bridegroom, and The devil and his three golden hairs. [Check library catalog.](#)

Tunnels (Tunnels series; book 1) Gordon, Roderick

When Will Burrows and his friend Chester embark on a quest to find Will's archaeologist father, who has inexplicably disappeared, they are led to a labyrinthine world underneath London, full of sinister inhabitants with evil intentions toward "Topsoilers" like Will and his father. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Wee Free Men (sequels A Hat Full of Sky, Wintersmith and I Shall Wear Midnight) Pratchett, Terry

Tiffany Aching, a young witch-in-training, learns about magic and responsibility as she battles a disembodied monster with the assistance of the six-inch-high Wee Free Men and Mistress Weatherwax, the greatest witch in the world. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Well Between The Worlds (Lyonesse series; book 1) Llewellyn, Sam

Eleven-year-old Idris Limpet, living with his family in the once noble but now evil and corrupt island country of Lyonesse, finds his life taking a dramatic turn when, after a near-drowning incident, he is accused of being allied to the feared sea monsters and is rescued from a death sentence by a mysterious and fearsome stranger. [Check library catalog.](#)

Which Witch? Ibbotson, Eva

Deciding that he must sire a child to carry on his tradition of Loathing Light and Blighting the Beautiful, the Great Wizard Arriman announces a competition among the witches of Todcaster, one of whom will marry him. [Check library catalog.](#)

Wolf Brother (The Chronicles of Ancient Darkness; book 1) Paver, Michelle
6,000 years in the past, twelve-year-old Tarak and his guide, a wolf cub, set out on a dangerous journey to fulfill an oath the boy made to his dying father--to travel to the Mountain of the World Spirit seeking a way to destroy a demon-possessed bear that threatens all the clans. [Check library catalog.](#)

The Witch's Boy Gruber, Michael

A grotesque foundling turns against the witch who sacrificed almost everything to raise him when he becomes consumed by the desire for money and revenge against those who have hurt him, but he eventually finds his true heart's desire. [Check library catalog.](#)

Vampirates (Vampirates series; book 1) Somper, Justin

When twins Connor and Grace's ship is wrecked in a storm and Connor is rescued by pirates, he believes that Grace has been taken aboard the mythical Vampire's ship, and he is determined to find her. [Check library catalog.](#)