**Duck on a Tractor**
by David Shannon
Preschool—Grade 1

Hilarity ensues when a duck goes on a rural joyride with his barnyard friends. Can you invent a sound for a tight-lipped giraffe? A reticent rabbit? A bashful basenji?
Silly barnyard zingers.

**The Bear and the Piano**
by David Litchfield
Preschool—Grade 2

Heartwarming tale with lavish illustrations can start conversations about the variety of places and friends that can all simultaneously share our hearts. Touching friendships everywhere.

**Snappsy the Alligator (Did Not Ask to Be in This Book)**
by Julie Falatko
Preschool—Grade 2

Humorous in the vein of Mo Willems, young writers and Scrabble players will find word choice inspiration in this funny tale.
Sassy narrator, meta.

**Ballet Cat Dance! Dance! Underpants!**
by Bob Shea
Preschool—Grade 2

Twosome’s tutu trouble.

**Groovy Joe: Ice Cream & Dinosaurs**
by Eric Litwin
Preschool—Grade 2

Positive attitude musician.

**Fly Guy Presents: The White House**
by Tedd Arnold
Kindergarten—Grade 2

Fly Guy is a punny, puny fellow of good humor and even better information. Extend the learning online with the official White House interactive tour
Humorous tour guide.

**There Is a Tribe of Kids**
by Lane Smith
Preschool—Grade 3

Perfectly walks the line between humorous and educational. Explore animal classifications (Kingdom, Phylum, Class, Order, Family, Genus, Species) for more proper nouns after reading this book.
Playful plurals lesson.

**Rainbow Weaver**
by Tejedora Del Arcoiris
Kindergarten—Grade 3

Resourceful Mayan go-getter.

**A Celebration of Beatrix Potter: Art and Letters**
by More than 30 of Today’s Favorite Children’s Book Illustrators
Grades 3 and Up

Intergenerational cuddle puddle.
Chapter Books

**Pax**
by Sara Pennypacker
Grades 3-6
This book packs an emotional punch from its very first pages. Great for family conversations about responsibility to those more vulnerable than us, and moving to a new life.
Responsibility lost, found.

**Ghosts**
by Raina Telgemeier
Grades 4-7
Sweet and slightly spooky graphic novel with a plot centering on sibling drama? Perfect for tweens!
Other-worldly but grounded.

**I Survived: The Eruption of Mount St. Helens, 1980**
by Lauren Tarshis
Grades 2-5
Scholastic has a huge hit with this fast-paced series. Share with your kids what 1980 was like for you!
Rapid, safe thrills.

**Sting**
by Jude Watson
Grades 3-6
Sequel to the mischievous “Loot” this book tells the story of jewelry heisting twins who get mixed up in a cat-and-mouse game between organized crime and government agencies. Who in your house can do the best James Bond accent or mobster voice?
Trickster twins thieve.

**All Rise for the Honorable Perry Cook**
by Leslie Connor
Grades 3-7
Conversations on resiliency, home, family, and the rule of law will flow naturally from reading this book of a boy—born in prison and surreptitiously raised there—being moved into foster care.
Child imprisoned everywhere.

**Secrets of Valhalla**
by Jasmine Richards
Grades 3-7
Riordan read-alike.

**Raymie Nightingale**
by Kate DiCamillo
Grades 3-7
Emotionally complex pageant.

**Wolf Hollow**
by Lauren Wolk
Grades 5-8
Social justice bildungsroman.

**Maybe a Fox**
by Kathi Appelt
Grades 4-6
Sister’s love reincarnated.

**Ms. Bixby’s Last Day**
by John David Anderson
Grades 3-7
Heartfelt, quirky volunteering.
Teen Books

**Everland** by Wendy Spinale
Grades 6-9
This radical reimagining of Peter Pan is an imaginative thriller—perfect for those not ready to fully commit to the Age of Unbelieving.
Reimagined Peter Pan.

**Ashes** by Laurie Halse Anderson
Grades 7 and Up
Third in Halse Anderson’s acclaimed series, this conclusion to the trilogy will have readers at the edge of their seats, longing for the slaves of the Revolutionary War to escape their condition and achieve the American Dream.
Colonial slaves’ freedom

**Scythe** by Neal Shusterman
Grades 8 and Up
In a world where humans are immortal, Death recruits two teenagers to help him cull the population. Before they are fully trained, Death eliminates himself and the teens face the terrifying truth: neither can become Death while the other lives.
Reaper’s teen apprentices.

**A World Without You** by Beth Revis
Grades 8 and Up
First love, suicide.

**Replica** by Lauren Oliver
Grades 8 and Up
This book weaves two perspectives into one story of parental secrets, government experiments, and the limits of humanity.
Define moral, human.

**Heartless** by Melissa Meyer
Grades 8 and Up
Queen’s apologist sequel.

**Tell Me Something Real** by Calla Devlin
Grades 9 and Up
Cancer, family, and betrayal.

**Three Truths and a Lie** by Brent Hatinger
Grades 9 and Up
Murderer amongst them.

**Last True Love Story** by Brendan Kelly
Grades 10 and Up
Illicit Alzheimer’s roadtrip.

**Swan Riders** by Erin Bow
Grades 10 and Up
Princess Grace brokered peace by becoming Artificial Intelligence, but now she’s withering in her human-Al hybrid body. A journey with the AI leader threatens her morals and the tenuous peace.
Enemies’ peace quest.