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Planet Omar: Accidental Trouble Magnet - Zanib Mian 2020-02-04

An exciting #OwnVoices middle-grade debut starring a Muslim boy with a huge imagination. An NPR Best Book of the Year. Welcome to the imaginative brain of Omar! Omar and his family have just moved, and he is NOT excited about starting at a new school. What if the work is too hard or the kids are mean or the teacher is a zombie alien?! But when Omar makes a new best friend, things start looking up. That is, until a Big Mean Bully named Daniel makes every day a nightmare! Daniel even tells Omar that all Muslims are going to be kicked out of the country . . . Could that possibly be true? Luckily, Omar's enormous imagination and goofy family help him get through life's ups and downs. Omar's funny, relatable narrative is the perfect answer to the call for both mirrors and windows to fill bookshelves with diverse stories. -An NPR Best Book of the Year -USBBY Outstanding International Book Selection -2020 Global Read Aloud Selection -Kirkus Reviews Best Book of the Year -Middle East Book Award Nominee -New York Public Library Best Book of the Year (top 10)

Me, Frida, and the Secret of the Peacock Ring - Angela Cervantes 2018-03-27

A room locked for fifty years. A valuable peacock ring. A mysterious brother-sister duo. Paloma Marquez is traveling to Mexico City,

birthplace of her deceased father, for the very first time. She's hoping that spending time in Mexico will help her unlock memories of the too-brief time they spent together. While in Mexico, Paloma meets Lizzie and Gael, who present her with an irresistible challenge: The siblings want her to help them find a valuable ring that once belonged to beloved Mexican artist Frida Kahlo. Finding the ring means a big reward -- and the thanks of all Mexico. What better way to honor her father than returning a priceless piece of jewelry that once belonged to his favorite artist! But the brother and sister have a secret. Do they really want to return the ring, or are they after something else entirely?

**Write from the Beginning** - Allison E. Ward 2003-09-01

Build strong writers with 180 activities and 36 popular early childhood themes. Each thematic unit offers a full-color poster to prompt prior knowledge and initiate student conversation, word cards to facilitate word association and spelling, and writing prompts to spark personal student response. 112 pages. Kindergarten-Grade 1. This book is designed to enhance circle time and center time Demonstrates the relationship between oral and written language Helps develop age-appropriate writing skills Promotes concepts of print such as capitalization, punctuation, and spelling Provides reproducible word cards and writing prompts

Gaby, Lost and Found - Angela Cervantes 2013-07-30

Wanted: One amazing forever home for one amazing sixth grader. "My name is Gaby, and I'm looking for a home where I can invite my best friend over and have a warm breakfast a couple of times a week. Having the newest cell phone or fancy clothes isn't important, but I'd like to have a cat that I can talk to when I'm home alone." Gaby Ramirez Howard loves volunteering at the local animal shelter. She plays with the kittens, helps to obedience train the dogs, and writes adoption advertisements so that the strays who live there can find their forever homes: places where they'll be loved and cared for, no matter what. Gaby has been feeling like a bit of a stray herself, lately. Her mother has recently been deported to Honduras and Gaby is stuck living with her inattentive dad. She's confident that her mom will come home soon so that they can adopt Gaby's favorite shelter cat together. When the cat's original owners turn up at the shelter, however, Gaby worries that her plans for the perfect family are about to fall apart.

**The Rhino in Right Field** - Stacy DeKeyser 2019-05-21

"Laugh-out-loud fun...A winner in every way." —Kirkus Reviews (starred review) "Funny and good-hearted." —Publishers Weekly A boy who loves baseball must get past his hard-working immigrant parents—and the rhino in the outfield—to become a batboy in this laugh-out-loud middle grade novel in the tradition of *The Sandlot*. Nick wants to change his life. For twelve years, he's done what his hard-working, immigrant parents want him to do. Now he's looking for his own American dream and he thinks he's found it. The local baseball team is having a batboy contest, and Nick wants to win. But the contest is on a Saturday—the day Nick has to work in his father's shop. There's one other tiny—well, not so tiny—problem. A 2,000-pound rhinoceros named Tank. Nick and his friends play ball in the city zoo—and Tank lives just beyond the right field fence. Nick's experience getting the ball out of Tank's pen has left him frozen with fear whenever a fly ball comes his way. How's a lousy fielder going to win the contest? Nick practices every day with his best friend, Ace, and a new girl who has an impressive throwing arm! But that's not enough—to get to the contest, Nick has to lie to his parents and

blackmail his uncle. All while dodging the school bully, who's determined to win even by playing dirty. Nick will need to keep his eye on the ball in this fast, funny story about a game that can throw you some curveballs—just like life!

Our Sunday stories - Sunday Stories 1887

*Zero Day* - Jan Gangsei 2016-01-12

Eight years ago, Addie Webster was the victim of the most notorious kidnapping of the decade. Addie vanished—and her high-profile parents were forced to move on. Mark Webster is now president of the United States, fighting to keep the oval office after a tumultuous first term. Then the unthinkable happens: the president's daughter resurfaces. Addie is brought back into her family's fold, but who is this sixteen-year-old girl with a quiet, burning intelligence now living in the White House? There are those in the president's political circle who find her timely return suspicious. When a national security advisor approaches Darrow Fergusson, Addie's childhood best friend and the son of the president's chief of staff, he doesn't know what to think. How could the girl he's missed for all these years be a threat to national security? Still, at the risk of having his own secrets exposed, Darrow agrees to spy on Addie. He soon realizes that his old friend is much more than the traumatized victim of a sick political fringe group. Addie has come with a mission...but will she choose to complete it?

**Sweep** - Jonathan Auxier 2018-09-25

For nearly a century, Victorian London relied on "climbing boys"—orphans owned by chimney sweeps—to clean flues and protect homes from fire. The work was hard, thankless, and brutally dangerous. Eleven-year-old Nan Sparrow is quite possibly the best climber who ever lived—and a girl. With her wits and will, she's managed to beat the deadly odds time and time again. But when Nan gets stuck in a deadly chimney fire, she fears her time has come. Instead, she wakes to find herself in an abandoned attic. And she is not alone. Huddled in the corner is a mysterious creature—a golem—made from ash and coal. This is the creature that saved her from the fire. *Sweep* is the story of a girl

and her monster. Together, these two outcasts carve out a life—saving one another in the process. By one of today’s most powerful storytellers, Sweep is a heartrending adventure about the everlasting gifts of friendship and hope.

[A Big Guy Took My Ball!](#) - 2013-05-21

Piggie is upset because a whale took the ball she found, but Gerald finds a solution that pleases all of them.

[Cenzontle/Mockingbird](#) - Daniel García Ordaz 2018-04-23

Poetry and drama that encourages readers to perform the text aloud as a form of empowerment, to celebrate the dynamics of the human voice.

Teacher and performance poet Daniel García Ordaz, the Poet Mariachi, author of *You Know What I'm Sayin'?*, now presents his second collection, a polythetic assortment of poetry and drama--an adaptation of Shakespeare's "Romeo & Juliet"--that serves as a polyglottic exhibition of empowerment through performance/mimicry. (Separate YA edition is planned.)

[The American Superintendent 2020 Decennial Study](#) - Christopher H. Tienken 2021-03-15

The 2020 AASA Decennial Study of the Superintendent is an extension of national decennial studies of the American school superintendent that began in 1923. The research was conducted in late 2019 and early 2020. The results are presented in various ways throughout the study, ranging from aggregate findings to two and three level crosstabs that disaggregate data by eight different enrollment categories. Just as findings from previous decennial studies suggested, the various job-related happenings of superintendents are not always homogeneous. They can be influenced by a multitude of factors such as district enrollment, demographic characteristics of the superintendents, and characteristics of the students and communities they serve.

*Liberating Leadership Capacity* - Linda Lambert 2016

During the past quarter century, conceptions of leadership have evolved in concert with breakthrough discoveries in science and generative learning. *Liberating Leadership Capacity* captures these new ideas through the integration of the authors’ earlier works in constructivist

leadership and leadership capacity. What emerges is a pathway through which educators can become the primary designers of their own learning and that of their students, thus creating sustainable systems of high leadership capacity. This vision of leadership reframes professional learning designs and knowledge creation, describing how these ideas are richly manifested in local, national, and international programs. The context is democratic communities; the learning is constructivist; the leadership is shared. The result is wise schools, organizations, and societies. *Liberating Leadership Capacity* speaks to all adult learners who are engaged in educational improvement. Book Features: A new concept of leadership as fostering capacity through the complex, dynamic processes of purposeful, reciprocal learning. Leadership strategies constructed from the values of learning, democracy, equity and diversity. Professional learning designed to involve community members in building leadership capacity. A timely approach for the effective implementation of the Every Child Succeeds Act (S. 1177). An in-depth analysis of the standards movement through the lens of capacity building. An understanding of systemic change as an organic process arising from practice rather than being imposed on practice—approaches that unleash a sense of agency and wisdom. “This book strikes a chord with those who believe that emerging leadership should define the experiences of students and teachers alike.” —Deborah Walker, Collaborative for Teaching and Learning (CTL) “The authors have designed a model that is at once sustainable, distributive, ecological, and transformational.” —Dean Fink, author and consultant “Describes organizational conditions that promote skillful dialogue, continual learning, building trust, and sharing a common vision among members. In such schools teachers become the leaders of learning and students become the leaders of the future.” —Arthur L. Costa, professor emeritus, California State University, Sacramento

**Where's My Mummy?** - Carolyn Crimi 2009

One deep, dark night, as all of the monsters are preparing for bed, Little Baby Mummy bravely searches for his mother until he sees a truly terrifying creature.

*Swashby and the Sea* - Beth Ferry 2020

No-nonsense Captain Swashby is used to the sea meeting all of his needs and when, after his retirement, new neighbors disturb his solitary life, the sea helps in just the right way.

*Providers of Adult Education* - Jim Witte 2001-12-01

**Lety Out Loud** - Angela Cervantes 2019-02-26

Award-winning author Angela Cervantes returns to the fan favorite animal shelter featured in *Gaby, Lost and Found*, with a heartfelt novel about friendship and finding your voice. Can Lety find her voice before it's too late? Lety Muñoz's first language is Spanish, and she likes to take her time putting her words together. She loves volunteering at the animal shelter because the dogs and cats there don't care if she can't always find the right words. When the shelter needs a volunteer to write animal profiles, Lety jumps at the chance. But classmate Hunter also wants to write profiles-so he devises a competition to determine the official shelter scribe. Whoever gets their animals adopted the fastest wins. Lety agrees, but she's worried that if the shelter finds out about the contest, they'll kick her out of the volunteer program. Then she'll never be able to adopt Spike, her favorite dog at the shelter! A Kirkus Reviews Best Book of 2019A New York Public Library Best Book of 2019A 2020 Pura Belpré Honor Award Book

**The Memory of Light** - Francisco X. Stork 2016-01-26

"When Vicky Cruz wakes up in the Lakeview Hospital Mental Disorders ward, she knows one thing: After her suicide attempt, she shouldn't be alive. But then she meets Mona, the live wire; Gabriel, the saint; E.M., always angry; and Dr. Desai, a quiet force. With stories and honesty, kindness and hard work, they push her to reconsider her life before Lakeview, and offer her an acceptance she's never had. But Vicky's newfound peace is as fragile as the roses that grow around the hospital. And when a crisis forces the group to split up, sending Vicky back to the life that drove her to suicide, she must try to find her own courage and strength. She may not have them. She doesn't know. Inspired in part by the author's own experience with depression, *The Memory of Light* is the

rare young adult novel that focuses not on the events leading up to a suicide attempt, but the recovery from one -- about living when life doesn't seem worth it, and how we go on anyway."

*La Madre Goose* - Susan Middleton Elya 2016-07-19

Classic favorites get a modern Latino twist The itsy arañita climbed up the water spout. Down came la lluvia and washed la araña out. Classic Mother Goose rhymes get a Latino twist in this cozy collection. From young Juan Ramón sitting in el rincón to three little gatitos who lost their mitoncitos, readers will be delighted to see familiar characters in vibrant, luminous scenes brimming with fanciful details. *La Madre Goose* will make a playful multicultural addition to every modern bookshelf. A Chicago Public Library Best Book of 2016

**Stories from Webb** - Todd Nesloney 2017-12-17

This book shares stories from Webb Elementary, intended to remind teachers that education isn't just a job, it's a calling. It's a role that comes with the responsibility to care deeply and to persist despite countless challenges, from state testing to budget cuts to long hours.

*Shakespeare Bats Cleanup* - Ronald Koertge 2006

When Kevin Boland, a fourteen-year-old baseball player, catches mononucleosis, he discovers that keeping a journal and experimenting with poetry not only helps fill the time, it also helps him deal with life, love, and loss. Reprint.

**Hilda Bee's Special Home** - Gerard Cervantes 2012-02-28

Hilda Bees Special Home is a story in which a bee faces many challenges. . Although Hilda Bee attends school and always tries her very best, she just cant seem to do things like the rest. Although encouragement and support will always be there for Hilda Bee, her limitations must be realized. It will take the special love and incredible insight of her teacher to help her students realize that they must accept Hilda Bee just as she is. The story itself uses the timetested, prevailing technique of rhythm and rhyme, a technique that is widely used by both parents and educators alike to help foster phonological awareness.

*Smokefall* - Noah Haidle 2017

Quixotic, gorgeous a very fine new American play. Chris Jones, "

*Ages of American Capitalism* - Jonathan Levy 2021-04-20

A leading economic historian traces the evolution of American capitalism from the colonial era to the present—and argues that we’ve reached a turning point that will define the era ahead. “A monumental achievement, sure to become a classic.”—Zachary D. Carter, author of *The Price of Peace* In this ambitious single-volume history of the United States, economic historian Jonathan Levy reveals how capitalism in America has evolved through four distinct ages and how the country’s economic evolution is inseparable from the nature of American life itself. The Age of Commerce spans the colonial era through the outbreak of the Civil War, and the Age of Capital traces the lasting impact of the industrial revolution. The volatility of the Age of Capital ultimately led to the Great Depression, which sparked the Age of Control, during which the government took on a more active role in the economy, and finally, in the Age of Chaos, deregulation and the growth of the finance industry created a booming economy for some but also striking inequalities and a lack of oversight that led directly to the crash of 2008. In *Ages of American Capitalism*, Levy proves that capitalism in the United States has never been just one thing. Instead, it has morphed through the country’s history—and it’s likely changing again right now. “A stunning accomplishment . . . an indispensable guide to understanding American history—and what’s happening in today’s economy.”—Christian Science Monitor “The best one-volume history of American capitalism.”—Sven Beckert, author of *Empire of Cotton*

*Ugly Lies the Bone* - Stephen Laughton 2017-02-23

'Beauty is but skin deep, ugly lies the bone; beauty dies and fades away, but ugly holds its own.' After three tours of duty in Afghanistan, wounded veteran Jess finally returns home to Florida, where she must confront her scars - and a hometown that may have changed even more than her. Undergoing an experimental virtual reality therapy, she builds a breathtaking new world where she can escape her pain. As Jess advances further into that world, she begins to restore her relationships, her life and, slowly, herself. *Ugly Lies the Bone* received its European premiere at the National Theatre, London, in 2017, in a production directed by

Indhu Rubasingham and starring Kate Fleetwood. It was a New York Times Critics' Pick during its sold-out run Off-Broadway in 2015.

*Flipgrid in the InterACTIVE Class* - Joe Merrill 2021-01-19

Coauthors and classroom teachers, Joe and Kristin Merrill, have seen firsthand how the practical ideas they share in *Flipgrid in the InterACTIVE Class* can impact learning. By equipping teachers to design more opportunities for students to share their voices and create more equitable learning experiences, *Flipgrid* opens the door for interaction and discussion in the elementary classroom. In this practical and idea-packed book, you will . . . Learn how you can see and hear from every student in class and foster fun and supportive social learning. Explore how you can take learning outside the four walls of your classroom and connect with educators and students around the globe. Discover how to safely incorporate social learning into the classroom while protecting the privacy of students.

**Bernice Buttman, Model Citizen** - Niki Lenz 2021-01-26

Bernice Buttman is tough, crass, and hilarious, and she just might teach you a thing or two about empathy in this novel for fans of *The Great Gilly Hopkins*. When you're a Buttman, the label "bully" comes with the territory, and Bernice lives up to her name. But life as a bully is lonely, and if there's one thing Bernice really wants (even more than becoming a Hollywood stuntwoman), it's a true friend. After her mom skedaddles and leaves her in a new town with her aunt (who is also a real live nun), Bernice decides to mend her ways and become a model citizen. If her plan works, she just might be able to get herself to Hollywood Hills Stunt Camp! But it's hard to be kind when no one shows you kindness, so a few cheesy pranks may still be up her sleeve. . . . Get ready to laugh out loud—and maybe even shed a tear—with this fantastic new middle-grade voice!

[Library Media Specialist](#) - National Learning Corporation 2019-02

The New York State Teacher Certification Exams (NYSTCE) are required for all candidates seeking licensure in the State. The NYSTCE series consists of many different tests assessing skills and abilities necessary for teachers. The Passbook(R) for the Content Specialty Test in Library Media Specialist provides hundreds of multiple-choice questions in the

areas that will likely be covered on your upcoming certification exam, including but not limited to: various types of library resources; student literature; research and location of resources; program development; and other related areas.

**Bruiser** - Neal Shusterman 2010-06-29

The New York Times bestselling author of *Challenger Deep*, Neal Shusterman, delivers a suspenseful, eloquent, and thrilling novel that you won't be able to stop thinking about after you've put it down. Tennyson is not surprised, really, when his family begins to fall apart, or when his twin sister, Brontë, starts dating the misunderstood bully, Brewster (or *The Bruiser*, as the entire high school calls him). Tennyson is determined to get to the bottom of *The Bruiser's* reputation, even if it means gearing up for a fight. Brontë, on the other hand, thinks there's something special underneath that tough exterior. And she's right...but neither she nor Tennyson is prepared for the truth of what lies below the surface. Told through Tennyson, Brontë, and *Bruiser's* points of view, this dark, twisting novel explores friendship, family, and the sacrifices we make for the people we love. A Texas Lone Star Reading List selection A Book Page Top Ten Book of the Year A Bank Street College of Education Best Book of the Year A Cooperative Children's Book Center Choice

**For Love of Birds** - Alesia Garlock 2019-10-11

Through photos, I follow the nesting of seven species of Egrets and Herons that nest in a City Park. From their arrival until their departure. I share their store through photographs.

**Caterpillar Summer** - Gillian McDunn 2019-04-02

This beautifully written, emotional debut perfect for fans of Lynda Mullaly Hunt or Ali Benjamin tells the story of a girl, her special needs brother, and the summer they will never forget. "An engaging, honest book." --Kimberly Brubaker Bradley, Newbery Honor-winning author of *The War That Saved My Life* "A beautiful story of family, forgiveness, life on an island, and growing up."--Kate Messner, author of *Breakout and The Seventh Wish* Cat and her brother Chicken have always had a very special bond--Cat is one of the few people who can keep Chicken happy. When he has a "meltdown" she's the one who scratches his back and

reads his favorite story. She's the one who knows what Chicken needs. Since their mom has had to work double-hard to keep their family afloat after their father passed away, Cat has been the glue holding her family together. But even the strongest glue sometimes struggles to hold. When a summer trip doesn't go according to plan, Cat and Chicken end up spending three weeks with grandparents they never knew. For the first time in years, Cat has the opportunity to be a kid again, and the journey she takes shows that even the most broken or strained relationships can be healed if people take the time to walk in one another's shoes. An Indies Introduce Pick A Parents Best Book of the Year A Kirkus Reviews Best Book of the Year An Amazon Best Book of the Year

**The Same High Standards for Migrant Students** - 2002

**La Princesa and the Pea** - Susan Middleton Elya 2017-09-05

The Princess and the Pea gets a fresh twist in this charming bilingual retelling, winner of the Pura Belpré Medal for Illustration. El príncipe knows this girl is the one for him, but, as usual, his mother doesn't agree. The queen has a secret test in mind to see if this girl is really a princesa, but the prince might just have a sneaky plan, too . . . Readers will be enchanted by this Latino twist on the classic story, and captivated by the vibrant art inspired by the culture of Peru.

**Allie, First at Last** - Angela Cervantes 2016-03-29

Allie Velasco wants to be a trailblazer. A trendsetter. A winner. No better feeling exists in the world than stepping to the top of a winner's podium and hoisting a trophy high in the air. At least, that's what Allie thinks . . . she's never actually won anything before. Everyone in her family is special in some way -- her younger sister is a rising TV star; her brother is a soccer prodigy; her great-grandfather is a Congressional Medal of Honor winner. With a family like this, Allie knows she has to make her mark or risk being left behind. She's determined to add a shiny medal, blue ribbon, or beautiful trophy to her family's award shelf. When a prestigious school contest is announced, Allie has the perfect opportunity to take first -- at last. There's just one small snag . . . her biggest competition is also her ex-best friend, Sara. Can Allie take top prize and

win back a friend -- or is she destined to lose it all?

**That Leadership Thing...** - Richard King 2018

**My Food, Your Food** - Lisa Bullard 2017-08-01

Audisee® eBooks with Audio combine professional narration and text highlighting for an engaging read aloud experience! It's food week in Manuel's class. Each student tells about something special his or her family eats. Manuel learns that families have different food traditions. Some eat noodles with chopsticks. Others use a fork. Some families eat flat bread. Others eat puffy bread. What kind of food will Manuel share with his class? Join him to find out how deliciously different and alike food can be.

*Fahrenheit 451* - Center for Learning (Rocky River, Ohio) 1990-08

Lessons and activities for use in teaching Bradbury's *Fahrenheit 451*.

**Leadership Capacity for Lasting School Improvement** - Linda Lambert 2003

Uses charts and action steps to analyze a school's leadership capacity and explores how to sustain a learning community where everyone takes ownership of improvement efforts.

**How the Star Got Its Twinkle** - Eliud George Garcia 2020-08

Stef Soto, Taco Queen - Jennifer Torres 2017-01-17

A heartwarming and charming debut novel about family, friends, and finding your voice all wrapped up in a warm tortilla. Estefania "Stef" Soto is itching to shake off the onion-and-cilantro embrace of Tia Perla, her family's taco truck. She wants nothing more than for Papi to get a normal job and for Tia Perla to be a distant memory. Then maybe everyone at

school will stop seeing her as the Taco Queen. But when her family's livelihood is threatened, and it looks like her wish will finally come true, Stef surprises everyone (including herself) by becoming the truck's unlikely champion. In this fun and heartfelt novel, Stef will discover what matters most and ultimately embrace an identity that even includes old Tia Perla.

**The Innocent Classroom** - Alexs Pate 2020-08-17

When children of color enter their classrooms each year, many often encounter low expectations, disconnection, and other barriers to their success. In *The Innocent Classroom*, Alexs Pate traces the roots of these disparities to pervasive negative stereotypes, which children are made aware of before they even walk through the school door. The cumulative weight of these stereotypes eventually takes shape as guilt, which inhibits students' engagement, learning, and relationships and hurts their prospects for the future. If guilt is the primary barrier for children of color in the classroom, then the solution, according to Pate, is to create an Innocent Classroom that neutralizes students' guilt and restores their innocence. To do so, readers will embark on a relationship "construction project" in which they will deepen their understanding of how children of color are burdened with guilt; discover students' "good," or the motivation behind their behaviors, and develop strategic responses to that good; and nurture, protect, and advocate for students' innocence. Ultimately, students will reclaim their innocence and begin to make choices that will lead to their success. Teachers will renew their commitment to their students. And the current ineffective system can give way to one that reflects a more enlightened understanding of who our children are—and what they are capable of.