

Adoption

Location	Author	Title
J AND	Anderson, John David	Minion
Michael Morn might be a villain, but he's really not a bad guy. When you live in New Liberty, known across the country as the City without a Super, there are only two kinds of people, after all: those who turn to crime and those who suffer. Michael and his adoptive father spend their days building boxes – special devices with mysterious abilities – which they sell to the mob at a price. They provide for each other, they look out for each other, and they'd never betray each other. But then a Super comes to town, and Michael's world is thrown into disarray. The Comet could destroy everything Michael and his dad have built, the safe and secure life they've made for themselves. And now Michael and his father face a choice: to hold tight to their life or to let it unravel.		
J BAU	Bauer, Joan	Soar
Moving to Hillcrest, Ohio, when his adoptive father accepts a temporary job, twelve-year-old Jeremiah, a heart transplant recipient, has sixty days to find a baseball team to coach.		
J CAO	Cao, Wenxuan	Bronze and Sunflower
Sunflower is an only child, and when her father is sent to the rural Cadre School, she has to go with him. Her father is an established artist from the city and finds his new life of physical labor and endless meetings exhausting. Sunflower is lonely and longs to play with the local children in the village across the river. When her father tragically drowns, Sunflower is taken in by the poorest family in the village, a family with a son named Bronze. Until Sunflower joins his family, Bronze was an only child, too, and hasn't spoken a word since he was traumatized by a terrible fire. Bronze and Sunflower become inseparable, understanding each other as only the closest friends can.		
J CAR	Carter, Caela	Forever, or a Long, Long, Time
Having shared so many foster homes that they are unable to trust that the family that has adopted them will last, Flora and her brother, Julian, are assisted by their new mother on a journey to resolve their past so that they can build a future.		
J CHE	Cheng, Andrea	The Year of the Baby
Last year, Anna learned how to be a good friend. Now that her family has adopted a baby girl from China, she wants to learn how to be a good sister. But the new year proves challenging when the doctor warns that the baby isn't thriving. Can Anna and her best friends, Laura and Camille, create a science project that saves the day?		
Sequel: <i>The Year of the Fortune Cookie.</i>		

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J CON

Connor, Leslie

All Rise for the Honorable Perry T. Cook

Eleven-year-old Perry was born and raised by his mom at the Blue River Co-ed Correctional Facility in tiny Surprise, Nebraska. His mom is a resident on Cell Block C, and so far Warden Daugherty has made it possible for them to be together. That is, until a new district attorney discovers the truth--and Perry is removed from the facility and forced into a foster home. When Perry moves to the "outside" world, he feels trapped. Desperate to be reunited with his mom, Perry goes on a quest for answers about her past crime. As he gets closer to the truth, he will discover that love makes people resilient no matter where they come from .. but can he find a way to tell everyone what home truly means?

J COV

Coville, Katherine

The Cottage in the Woods

Ursula is a young she-bear who has come to work as a governess at the Vaughn estate. Although she is eager to instruct her young charge, Teddy, she is also frightened, especially when inexplicable things happen in the huge house after dark. Ursula is sure she has heard footsteps in the hallways at night, and that something is following her during her walks in the Enchanted Forest. Then there is Mr. Bentley, a young bear also employed by Mr. Vaughn, whose superior disposition is enough to drive Ursula to tears . . . and yet why does he also make her heart race? As Ursula works to unravel the mysteries of the Vaughn manor, she will have to be very, very careful. After all, true love, justice, and a girl with golden locks are at stake. And in the Enchanted Forest, not every fairy tale is destined for a happily ever after.

J CRO

Crowder, Melanie

Three Pennies

In San Francisco, eleven-year-old Marin desperately searches for her birthmother knowing time is running out before she is adopted, and discovers for the first time in her life what it feels like to be truly wanted by someone.

J FUN

Funke, Cornelia

The Thief Lord

Two brothers, having run away from the aunt who plans to adopt the younger one, are sought by a detective hired by their aunt, but they have found shelter with - and protection from - Venice's "Thief Lord." Ages 9 and Up.

J GIF

Giff, Patricia Reilly

Pictures of Hollis Woods

A troublesome twelve-year-old orphan, staying with an elderly artist who needs her, remembers the only other time she was happy in a foster home, with a family that truly seemed to care about her. Grades 4 - 7.

J GRI

Grimes, Nikki

The Road to Paris

Inconsolable at being separated from her older brother, eight-year-old Paris is apprehensive about her new foster family but just as she learns to trust them, she faces a life-changing decision. Grades 5-7.

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Hill, Kirkpatrick

Bo at Ballard Creek

It's the 1920s, and Bo was headed for an Alaska orphanage when she won the hearts of two tough gold miners who set out to raise her, enthusiastically helped by all the kind people of the nearby Eskimo village.

Sequel: *Bo at Iditarod Creek.*

J HOR

Horvath, Polly

Everything on a Waffle

Eleven-year-old Primrose living in a small fishing village in British Columbia recounts her experiences and all that she learns about human nature and the unpredictability of life in the months after her parents are lost at sea. Grades 4 – 7.

J HOR

Horvath, Polly

The Night Garden

Twelve-year-old Franny Whitekraft lives quietly with her adopted parents on a farm on Vancouver Island until the spring of 1945 when the three Madden children move in, UFOs and ghosts appear, an important military airplane disappears, and wishes made in Old Tom's forbidden night garden will hopefully get everyone out of trouble.

J HOR

Horvath, Polly

One Year in Coal Harbor

In a small fishing village in British Columbia, twelve-year-old Primrose tries to be a matchmaker for her Uncle Jack, befriends Ked, a new foster child, tries to decide if she is willing to go to jail for her convictions, and together with Ked, publishes a cook book to raise money for the Fisherman's Aid.

J IBB

Ibbotson, Eva

The Star of Kazan

After twelve-year-old Annika, a foundling living in late nineteenth-century Vienna, inherits a trunk of costume jewelry, a woman claiming to be her aristocratic mother arrives and takes her to live in a strangely decrepit mansion in Germany.

**SERIES
DISASTER**

Kennedy, Marlane

Blizzard Night

Taking a winter trip to bond with his new foster family, Jayden and his siblings Maggie and Connor are forced by a terrible car accident into a bleak storm to search for help and survive the elements.

J KUR

Kurtz, Jane

Planet Jupiter

Jupiter and her family are buskers--folk singers and musicians, moving on when the tourists do--but her life is turned upside down when her newly adopted cousin Edom comes to live with them for the summer.

J LEV

Levy, Dana Alison

The Misadventures of the Family Fletcher

Relates the adventures of a family with two fathers, four adopted boys, and a variety of pets as they make their way through a school year, Kindergarten through sixth grade, and deal with a grumpy new neighbor.

J LOR

Lord, Cynthia

Touch Blue

When the state of Maine threatens to shut down their island's one-room schoolhouse because of dwindling enrollment, eleven-year-old Tess, a strong believer in luck, and her family take in a trumpet-playing foster child, to increase the school's population.

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Lupica, Mike

Fast Break

Since his mother's death, Jayson, twelve, has focused on basketball and surviving but he is found out and placed with an affluent foster family of a different race, and must learn to accept many changes, including facing his former teammates in a championship game.

J LUP

Lupica, Mike

Safe at Home

Playing baseball was the one thing that made twelve-year-old Nick Crandall feel at home until he found acceptance with adoptive parents, but he faces a new struggle to fit in when he becomes the first seventh-grader ever to make the varsity baseball team. Grades 4-6.

J MAR

Marsh, Katherine

The Door by the Staircase

Happy to be adopted at last, twelve-year-old orphan Mary Hayes soon learns a terrifying secret about her new mother, the mysterious Madame Z.

J MCK

McKay, Hilary

Permanent Rose

While trying to reconnect with her friend Tom, who has returned to the United States without leaving a forwarding address, eight-year-old Rose inadvertently discovers the identity of her adopted sister Saffy's father. Grades 5 – 8.

J MCK

McKay, Hilary

Saffy's Angel

After learning that she was adopted, thirteen-year-old Saffron's relationship with her eccentric, artistic family changes, until they help her go back to Italy where she was born to find a special memento of her past. Grades 4 – 7.

J MIL

Milford, Kate

Greenglass House

At Greenglass House, a smuggler's inn, twelve-year-old Milo, the innkeepers' adopted son, plans to spend his winter holidays relaxing but soon guests are arriving with strange stories about the house sending Milo and Meddy, the cook's daughter, on an adventure.

Sequel: *Ghosts of Greenglass House.*

J NIM

Nimmo, Jenny

Charlie Bone and the Castle of Mirrors

Charlie and his magically gifted friends and relatives work together to rescue Billy Raven, a young orphan, from a mysterious and dangerous couple who have adopted him. Grades 4 – 6.

J NIX

Nixon, Joan Lowery

A Family Apart

When their mother can no longer support them, six siblings are sent by the Children's Aid Society of New York City to live with farm families in Missouri in 1860. Ages 10 and up.

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Patron, Susan

The Higher Power of Lucky

Fearing that her legal guardian plans to abandon her to return to France, ten-year-old aspiring scientist Lucky Trimble determines to run away while also continuing to seek the Higher Power that will bring stability to her life. Grades 4-6.

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J PAT

Patron, Susan

Lucky Breaks

Having reached the mature age of eleven in the tiny California town of Hard Pan (population 43), Lucky discovers that there is still much to learn about friendship, parental trust, and the Milky Way galaxy. Grades 4-6.

J PAU

Paulsen, Gary

Tucket's Gold

Fifteen-year-old Francis and the two children he has adopted travel across the Old West, evade Comancheros, discover a treasure, and wind up rich beyond their wildest dreams. Grades 4 - 7.

J PAU

Paulsen, Gary

Tucket's Home

Francis Tucket, Lottie, and Billy have survived extraordinary, hair-raising adventures in their quest to find Tucket's family, lost when he was kidnapped from a wagon train on the Oregon Trail. In this final adventure of the "Tucket Adventures", they head home at last, and an epilogue tells what happens to them on the Oregon frontier. Grades 4 - 7.

J SCA

Scaletta, Kurtis

Mudville

For twenty-two years, since a fateful baseball game against their rival town, it has rained in Moundville, so when the rain finally stops, twelve-year-old Roy, his friends, and foster brother Sturgis dare to face the curse and form a team.

J SHE

Shevah, Emma

Dara Palmer's Major Drama

Meet eleven-year-old Dara Palmer. She loves dancing and dreams of being a world-famous actress - which means she has to get the main part in the school play. When she doesn't get any part at all, Dara begins to wonder whether it's because of her looks rather than her acting skills. But Dara has big ideas - and is determined not to let prejudice stop her from being in the spotlight .

J SNI

Snicket, Lemony

A Series of Unfortunate Events

Thirteen witty mock-gothic novels featuring the misadventures of 14-year-old Violet, 12-year-old Klaus and infant Sunny Baudelaire. From the first, things look unfortunate indeed for the trio: a fire destroys their home, killing their parents along with it. Grades 4 - 6.

In this series: *The Bad Beginning; The Reptile Room; The Wide Window; The Miserable Mill; The Austere Academy; The Ersatz Elevator; The Vile Village; The Hostile Hospital; The Carnivorous Carnival; The Slippery Slope; The Grim Grotto; The Penultimate Peril; The End.*

J STE

Stewart, Paul

Beyond the Deepwoods

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. Grades 4 - 6.

In this series: *Stormchaser; Midnight over Sanctaphrax.*

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J WOO

Woodson, Jacqueline

Peace, Locomotion

Through letters to his little sister, who is living in a different foster home, sixth-grader Lonnie, also known as "Locomotion," keeps a record of their lives while they are apart, describing his own foster family, including his foster brother who returns home after losing a leg in the Iraq War. Grades 4-6.

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