

# Basketball

Location	Author	Title
<b>NEWBERY 2015</b>	Alexander, Kwame	<b>The Crossover</b>
Fourteen-year-old twin basketball stars Josh and Jordan wrestle with highs and lows on and off the court as their father ignores his declining health.		
<b>J BAR</b>	Barber, Tiki	<b>Jump Shot</b>
When Tiki and Ronde make the junior high school basketball team, they see that they each have their own skills and the most important skill is teamwork.		
<b>J BIL</b>	Bildner, Phil	<b>Rookie of the Year</b>
Just when they think they've got the hang of things, Rip and Red find that fifth grade continues to challenge them in head-spinning ways. Tiki, a new girl whose Egyptian dad is an animal-rights activist, has just joined their class. She's charismatic, funny—and she's got game! Rip has his world turned upside down as Tiki proves to be tough competition on the Clifton United basketball team and leads a rebellion against the lousy new food service in the school cafeteria. Red—a kid on the autism spectrum—is struggling with the upheavals as well. But as these two funky and funny best friends discover, sometimes radical change is the right move, on the court and off.		
<b>J BOW</b>	Bowen, Fred	<b>Outside Shot</b>
Richie Mallon has always known he was a shooter. Now that he is facing basketball tryouts under a tough new coach, will his amazing shooting talent be enough to keep him on the team?		
<b>J CHR</b>	Christopher, Matt	<b>The Basket Counts</b>
Long practice improves Mel's value as a basketball player, but he finds it difficult to surmount the prejudice of Caskie Bennett, the basketball team's star player and Mel's new neighbor.		
<b>J CHR</b>	Christopher, Matt	<b>Shoot for the Hoop</b>
When Rusty Young is diagnosed with diabetes, his parents want him to stop playing basketball, but Rusty doesn't want to. When Rusty learns that his friends have formed a summer league team, he is determined to persuade his parents to let him join them.		
<b>SERIES BAILEY</b>	Dadey, Debbie	<b>Leprechauns Don't Play Basketball!</b>
Something very weird is going on at Bailey Elementary School. It's plenty weird enough when you think your teacher is a vampire from the Transylvanian mountains, but what are you supposed to do when your substitute gym teacher seems to be a leprechaun?? Mr. O'Grady is from Ireland, and is perhaps the shortest, most wrinkled man in the world. But boy, can he dance a jig and play basketball!! Why, it's almost magical the way he moves so fast and gets that ball through that hoop so easily! And what's with that bag of jewels he's always carrying with him?? Strange things seem to happen when he touches them...		

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<b>SERIES GO GIRL</b>	Kalkipsakis, Thalia	<b>Basketball Blues</b>
When Angie is told that she plays basketball like a boy she is heart-broken. She quits her favorite basketball team and dreams of cheerleading instead. But can cheerleading make Angie happy, or is basketball her real love?		
<b>J LUP</b>	Lupica, Mike	<b>Fast Break</b>
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.		
<b>J LUP</b>	Lupica, Mike	<b>Hot Hand</b>
In the wake of his parents' separation, ten-year-old Billy seems to have continual conflicts with his father, who is also his basketball coach, but his quiet, younger brother Ben, a piano prodigy, is having even more trouble adjusting, and only Billy seems to notice.		
<b>J LUP</b>	Lupica, Mike	<b>Play Makers</b>
Still living large off their incredible football championship win just weeks before, Ben McBain and his crew must now prepare for basketball season. Ben is known as the best point guard throughout the league. And now that Shawn O'Brien has joined their team, they are a shoo-in to win it all. But there is a new kid in town, Chase Braggs, a point guard like Ben who seems to be better, stronger, and faster. Refusing to let his team down, Ben hits the courts hard to practice. Ben's rivalry with Chase seems to take the fun out of playing ball with his best friends. Will Ben be able to pull it together for his team and for himself?		
<b>J LUP</b>	Lupica, Mike	<b>Point Guard</b>
It's basketball season for the home team but Gus must wrestle with prejudice when he's the only one bothered by Cassie joining the boys' team and his teammate Steve makes fun of Gus' Dominican heritage.		
<b>J MAD</b>	Maddox, Jake	<b>Bad-luck Basketball</b>
Brandon's junior high school basketball team is struggling to make the playoffs, and Brandon is starting to feel that his bad luck is dragging them down--and when their bus breaks down on the way to the big game, Brandon has to turn luck into opportunity.		
<b>J MAD</b>	Maddox, Jake	<b>Free Throw</b>
Since Derek is now the tallest player on his basketball team, the coach decides to have him play center but Jason, the former center, has little confidence in Derek and will not pass him the ball.		
<b>J MAD</b>	Maddox, Jake	<b>Full Court Dreams</b>
Last year, Annie didn't make the basketball team. But this year, there's a new coach, and Annie's been practicing her heart out. Annie is determined to make the team this year, and she isn't going to let anything stand in her way!		

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<b>J MAD</b>	Maddox, Jake	<b>Hoop Hustle</b>
Brian Worth Jr. plans on trying out for his middle school's basketball team, but the trouble is he has always relied on his height to give him an advantage and that is no longer enough--but at the local senior center, where he reluctantly volunteers, he discovers a friend in George, a former player, who sets out to teach him some of the skills he is missing.		
<b>J MAD</b>	Maddox, Jake	<b>Off the Bench</b>
There are five guys on the Wildcats who always start, and forward Daniel Friedland isn't one of them. But when the star forward goes on vacation, Daniel gets his chance at the spotlight. It's his turn to shine. Daniel has worked hard at improving his free throws, but he's terrible at layups, and everybody knows it. He'll need to work hard if he wants to be a starting Wildcat.		
<b>J MAD</b>	Maddox, Jake	<b>Point Guard Prank</b>
Somebody is playing nasty tricks on Ryan DeMoss, point guard for the Hillcrest Hammers, and it is starting to interfere with his game right before the big tournament.		
<b>SERIES JAKE MADDOX</b>	Maddox, Jake	<b>Rebound Time</b>
Twin girls Sarit and Allie have always been coached in basketball by their father, but now that their parents are divorced and he has moved away, Sarit is unhappy playing on the school team, and resentful that her sister still enjoys the game.		
<b>J MAD</b>	Maddox, Jake	<b>Slam Dunk Shoes</b>
When Jamal is asked to join the elite Cyclone basketball team, he worries that his ratty old shoes--all his family can afford--will hurt his image on the team.		
<b>J MCK</b>	McKnight, Marty	<b>Jim Nasium is a Basket Case</b>
Fourth-grader Jim Nasium is trying out his hand at basketball, and he knows he is really good at one trick shot--but when he and his equally unskilled friends take on the school's more athletic kids he will have to do some quick thinking, or they will be completely embarrassed.		
<b>J ROB</b>	Robinson, Sharon	<b>Slam Dunk!</b>
Elijah Jumper Breeze is settling into his new life in Harlem and entering a new school. His plans include hitting the books and hitting the court for some serious b-ball. But first, he and his best friend, Kelvin, have to help their coach get the school gym fixed so there can even be a basketball team.		
<b>J STO</b>	Stoudemire, Amar'e	<b>Double Team</b>
Eleven-year-old Amar'e Stoudemire starts competing in basketball tournaments with his two best friends, Deuce and Mike, and they are winning. After a few big wins, Amar'e starts getting attention from some of the older, more elite players in Lake Wales. Amar'e wants to elevate his game and the only way to do that is to move on.		

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**J STO** Stoudemire, Amar'e **Home Court**

Between sports, school, and working for his father, eleven-year-old Amar'e's life is full and he is not yet ready to concentrate on basketball--but when a group of older boys start hogging the local basketball court he knows that he has to do something to help his friends.

**J STO** Stoudemire, Amar'e **Slam Dunk: Standing Tall and Talented**

When some of the older kids get on Amar'e for not being able to dunk, he sets a goal to make that happen soon. But when Amar'e's playing time is put on hold, he'll have to come to terms with all of the other things he's been neglecting.

**J WAL** Wallace, Rich **Dunk Under Pressure**

Free throw specialist Cornell "Dunk" Duncan joins the YMCA summer basketball league all-star team, but after losing his confidence in an important game the seventh-grader makes some decisions about becoming an all-around player.

**J WHI** Whitsitt, Claudia **Beyond the Lines**

The Dream Girls - Hattie, Crackers, and Beverly Jo - are back with the same determination and resolve they displayed in *Between the Lines*. This time, it's Crackers who has a dream. She has oodles of talent, can outshoot any guy, and she wants to be the first girl on the boys' basketball team. Everybody knows she's the best player at school. The problem is, the rules say: No girls allowed on the team. Ever. But the Dream Girls have challenged old-fashioned notions before, and they're not about to give up now.

**J WAL** Wallace, Rich **Second-String Center**

As his own self-confidence grows, seventh-grader Dunk learns to be supportive both on and off the basketball court when his friend Jared goes through a difficult time, even though Jared's failure would provide Dunk more opportunities to prove himself.

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