

Science Fiction

Location	Author	Title
J AND	Anderson, M.T.	He Laughed With His Other Mouths
Boy Technonaut Jasper Dash enlists the help of his friends to find his missing father in this science fiction adventure chock-full of aliens, spaceships, friendship, and plenty of death rays.		
J AND	Anderson, M. T.	Whales on Stilts
Racing against the clock, shy middle-school student Lily and her best friends, Katie and Jasper, must foil the plot of her father's conniving boss to conquer the world using an army of whales.		
J ANG	Angleberger, Tom	Fuzzy
When Max (Maxine Zealster) befriends her new robot classmate Fuzzy, she helps him navigate Vanguard Middle School and together they reveal the truth behind the Robot Integration Program.		
SERIES ANIMORPHS	Applegate, Katherine	The Hork-Bajir Chronicles
Before the Animorphs, on another world, the fight began. Prior to their invasion of Earth, the Yeerks attacked a gentle and docile species known as the Hork-Bajir. This is the story of a special Hork-Bajir, his Andalite friend, and their future enemy, Visser Three.		
J APP	Appleton II, Victor	Tom Swift and His Airship, or, The Stirring Cruise of the Red Cloud
Originally published in 1910. In this classic series of adventures, the young inventor builds an airship, makes a trial trip, and experiences a smash-up in midair.		
J ASC	Asch, Frank	Star Jumper : Journal of a Cardboard Genius
Determined to get far away from his evil little brother, Alex works to design a spaceship that will take him so far away from Earth that not even the NASA experts can find him, yet when his brother catches on to his plan, Alex fears that his nearly finished project may be ruined before he gets his chance to take-off.		
J BAL	Ball, Justin	Space Dogs
Commanders Belka and Strelka, of the planet Gersbach, board their dog-shaped vehicle and head for earth, where they encounter Lucy Buckley and her family, attempt to capture two power-seeking renegades, and hope to save their own planet from destruction.		
J BLA	Blakemore, Megan Frazier	The Firefly Code
Mori and her friends live a normal life on Firefly Lane in Old Harmonie, a utopian community where every kid knows he or she is genetically engineered to be better and smarter, but when a strangely perfect new girl named Ilana moves in, the friends begin to question the only world they have ever known.		
<u>Sequel:</u> <i>The Daybreak Bond.</i>		

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J BRO	Brown, Jennifer	Life on Mars
Twelve-year-old Arcturus Betelgeuse Chambers' quest to find life on other planets seems at an end when his parents decide to move to Las Vegas, but while they look for a house he stays with his neighbor, an astronaut who soon becomes a friend.		
J BRO	Brown, Peter	The Wild Robot
Roz the robot discovers that she is alone on a remote, wild island with no memory of where she is from or why she is there, and her only hope of survival is to try to learn about her new environment from the island's hostile inhabitants.		
J BUZ	Buzbee, Lewis	Bridge of Time
Best friends Lee Jones and Joan Lee have more in common than their twisted names, they have both learned that their parents are getting divorced, and while on their class trip to San Francisco they go off on their own to talk about the divorces and fall asleep but when they wake up they find the Golden Gate Bridge gone and they meet a man named Sam Clemens who is on the run from a mysterious stranger.		
J CAS	Castle, M.E.	Popular Clone
Meet Fisher Bas: 12 years-old, growth-stunted, a geeky science genius, and son of the Nobel Prize-winning creators of the Bas-Hermaphrodite-Sea-Slug-Hypothesis. No surprise: Fisher isn't exactly the most popular kid in his middle-school, tormented daily by the beefy, overgrown goons he calls The Vikings. But he senses relief when he comes upon the idea of cloning himself--creating a second Fisher to go to school each day while he stays at home playing video games and eating Cheetos with ketchup. It's an ingenious plan that works brilliantly, until Fisher's clone turns out to be more popular than him--and soon after gets clone-napped by the evil scientist Dr. Xander.		
J CLA	Clark, Henry	What We Found in the Sofa and How it Saved the World
Finding a rare zucchini-colored crayon leads twelve-year-old River Monroe and his friends on an adventure with their eccentric neighbor to save Earth from invading interstellar storm troopers.		
J COO	Cooper, Susan	Green Boy
Bahamians Trey, age 12, and his mute brother Lou, 7, find themselves tugged between two parallel worlds: their own happy island life, threatened by big-business developers, and a murky, sinister otherworld called Pangaea, entered accidentally through a magical window between worlds. In a series of journeys between the two realms, Lou is saluted by underground rebels as their mythic savior Lugh, and the siblings are asked to lead the Greenwar against the Government ("the destroyers"). Along the way, Trey and Lou encounter hideous mutant insects, murderous floods in tunnels, helicopter attacks, and capture by the pro-progress, high-tech Government.		

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J COT	Cottrell Boyce, Frank	Chitty Chitty Bang Bang Over the Moon
<p>The Tootings are stuck in 1966! Somebody's stolen Chitty Chitty Bang Bang and left them behind. But that's not their biggest problem. Their biggest problem is that Little Harry's been kidnapped by whoever stole their magical car. There's only one solution: the Tootings must find the Potts – the family that originally built Chitty. Sharing their combined knowledge of how Chitty works, the families may stand a chance of rescuing Little Harry and finding the most brilliant car in the world. But a fiendish criminal has different plans, ones that involve flying Chitty Chitty Bang Bang to the moon and putting an explosive scheme into action.</p>		
J COT	Cottrell Boyce, Frank	Cosmic
<p>Liam is a big lad. So big that strangers mistake the 12-year-old for an adult. Life is hard for poor, burdened Liam – until, that is, he decides to enter the Greatest Dad Ever Contest and in short order finds himself on a rocket ship that is off course and 200,000 miles above the earth.</p>		
J COT	Cottrell Boyce, Frank	Sputnik's Guide to Life on Earth
<p>Prez knows that the best way to keep track of things is to make a list. That's important when you have a grandfather who is constantly forgetting. And it's even more important when your grandfather can't care for you anymore and you have to go live with a foster family. Prez is still learning to fit in at his new home when he answers the door to meet Sputnik - a kid who is more than a little strange. First, he can hear what Prez is thinking. Second, he looks like a dog to everyone except Prez. Third, he can manipulate the laws of space and time. Sputnik is an alien, and he's got a mission that requires Prez's help: the Earth has been marked for destruction, and the only way they can stop it is to come up with ten reasons why the planet should be saved. Thus begins one of the most fun and eventful summers of Prez's life, as he and Sputnik set out on a journey to compile the most important list Prez has ever made - and discover just what makes our world so remarkable.</p>		
J COV	Coville, Bruce	I Was a Sixth Grade Alien
<p>Aliens make contact with Earth and decide to place their worldwide embassy in Syracuse, NY. The alien ambassador brings his son, Pleskit, who ends up in the same class as Tim Tompkins, an avid science-fiction buff.</p>		
J COV	Coville, Bruce	Aliens Ate My Homework
<p>Down-to-earth Rod Allbright, doesn't quite believe his eyes when a small blue spaceship flies through his bedroom window and lands in a vat of papier-mâché he is using for a science project. Within minutes the startled boy meets the spaceship's curious crew, and is recruited to become an integral player in their mission to apprehend an alien criminal whose specialty is cruelty.</p>		

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J CRI	Crilley, Mark	Akiko Series
<p>The stories center on the adventures of Akiko, a Japanese American girl, on and around the planet Smoo. She is accompanied by her alien friends, Mr. Beeba the academic, the crude Spuckler, Gax the broken down robot, and the mysterious Poog.</p> <p>In this series: <i>Akiko on the Planet Smoo; Akiko in the Sprubly Islands; Akiko and the Great Wall of Trudd; Akiko in the Castle of Alia Rellapor; Akiko and the Intergalactic Zoo; Akiko and the Alpha Centauri 5000; Akiko and the Journey to Toog; Akiko: The Training Master; Akiko: Pieces of Gax.</i></p>		
J CUE	Cuevas, Michelle	The Care and Feeding of a Pet Black Hole
<p>When eleven-year-old Stella Rodriguez shows up at NASA to request that her recording be included in Carl Sagan's Golden Record, something unexpected happens: A black hole follows her home, and sets out to live in her house as a pet. The black hole swallows everything he touches, which is challenging to say the least—but also turns out to be a convenient way to get rid of those items that Stella doesn't want around. Soon the ugly sweaters her aunt has made for her all disappear within the black hole, as does the smelly class hamster she's taking care of, and most important, all the reminders of her dead father that are just too painful to have around.</p> <p>It's not until Stella, her younger brother, Cosmo, the family puppy, and even the bathroom tub all get swallowed up by the black hole that Stella comes to realize she has been letting her own grief consume her. And that's not the only thing she realizes as she attempts to get back home.</p>		
J DAH	Dahl, Roald	Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator
<p>Taking up where Charlie and the Chocolate Factory leaves off, Charlie, his family, and Mr. Wonka find themselves launched into space in the great glass elevator.</p>		
J DEW	DeWitt, Fowler	The Contagious Colors of Mumpley Middle School
<p>Wilmer Dooley is a budding scientist, and he has a serious crush on fellow sixth-grader Roxie McGhee. So when a virus breaks out at school, and Roxie falls ill, Wilmer dedicates himself to finding the cure, which could also win him the sixth-grade science medal.</p>		
J DUP	DuPrau, Jeanne	City of Ember
<p>In the year 241, twelve-year-old Lina trades jobs on Assignment Day to be a messenger to run to new places in her decaying but beloved city, perhaps even to glimpse Unknown Regions.</p> <p>Also in this series: <i>The People of Sparks; The Prophet of Yonwood; The Diamond of Darkhold.</i></p>		

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J ELL	Elliott, David	The Transmogrification of Roscoe Wizzle
After eating constantly at the fast food restaurant known as Gussy's, ten-year-old Roscoe finds himself turning into a giant bug.		
J FEI	Feig, Paul	Ignatius MacFarland, Frequent!
Bullied in school and called "Piggy MacFarland," twelve-year-old Iggy longs to travel to another planet and live among extraterrestrials, until an explosion transports him to a scary alternate reality.		
J FIE	Fields, Bryan	Lunchbox and the Aliens
Lunchbox is an ordinary basset hound until he is abducted by aliens, zapped by a mental enhancer, and sent back to convert Earth's garbage into food--a task that would be easier if he had opposable thumbs, or at least tentacles.		
J FOX	Fox, Helen	Eager
When their much-loved, old-fashioned robot begins to run down, Gavin Bell and his sister Fleur try EGR3 (Eager), an experimental new robot. When the eerily human robots begin to behave suspiciously, Eager and the Bells are drawn into a great adventure.		
<i>Sequel: Eager's Nephew.</i>		
J GIB	Gibbs, Stuart	Space Case
Like his fellow lunarnauts – otherwise known as Moonies – living on Moon Base Alpha, twelve-year-old Dashiell Gibson is famous the world over for being one of the first humans to live on the moon. And he's bored out of his mind. Kids aren't allowed on the lunar surface, meaning they're trapped inside the tiny moon base with next to nothing to occupy their time – and the only other kid Dash's age spends all his time hooked into virtual reality games. Then Moon Base Alpha's top scientist turns up dead. Dash senses there's foul play afoot, but no one believes him. Everyone agrees Dr. Holtz went onto the lunar surface without his helmet properly affixed, simple as that. But Dr. Holtz was on the verge of an important new discovery, Dash finds out, and it's a secret that could change everything for the Moonies – a secret someone just might kill to keep...		
J GIB	Gibbs, Stuart	Spaced Out
In 2041, twelve-year-old Dashiell Gibson is a resident of Moon Base Alpha, and at the moment he is faced with a number of problems: coping with the nasty Sjoberg twins, finding out how the commander of the base has managed to disappear from a facility no bigger than a soccer field, and dealing with the alien Zan who communicates with him telepathically from afar--and who is hiding a secret which may threaten the whole Earth.		

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J GIB	Gibbs, Stuart	Waste of Space
<p>Moon Base Alpha was supposed to be an exciting place to live, but Dash didn't expect for it to be this exciting. After solving a murder and rescuing the moon base commander, he just wants to have a calm, quiet thirteenth birthday. But of course multi-billionaire and total pain Lars Sjoburg ruins it – by being poisoned. Now there's a murderer loose on Moon Base Alpha again. And Dash is charged with finding out who it could have been. Everyone has a motive, and time is running out.</p>		
J HAD	Haddix, Margaret Peterson	Under Their Skin
<p>Twelve-year-old twins Nick and Eryn investigate why their mother and new stepfather are keeping secrets, why they are forbidden to meet their stepsiblings, and most important, why their lives are in danger.</p> <p>Sequel: <i>In Over Their Heads.</i></p>		
J HAM	Hamilton, K.R.	The Mesmer Menace
<p>Daring dachshund Noodles narrates as evil Mesmers bent on world domination arrive at the Amazing Automated Inn, where eleven-year-old inventor Wally Kennewickett, aided by Noodles and the inn's automatons, tries to foil their plans.</p>		
J HAM	Hamilton, K.R.	The Ire of Iron Claw
<p>The daring and loyal dachshund Noodles, the boy inventor Wally Kennewickett, and his scientific genius family and staff of automatons join forces with Nikola Tesla to defeat sky pirates, cross Europe in a giant mechanical spider, and defy the evil Mesmers.</p>		
J HAR	Harrison, Zac	Crash Landing
<p>When John Riley gets on the wrong bus, he finds himself at Hyperspace High, an elite academy on an enormous spaceship, where his classmates are aliens, and the penalty for failing is harsh.</p> <p>Also in the Hyperspace High series: <i>Frozen Enemies; Warlord's Revenge; Robot Warriors; Galactic Battle; Space Plague.</i></p>		
J HAW	Hawking, Lucy & Stephen	George's Secret Key to the Universe
<p>Follows the adventures of a young boy and his neighbor friend as they travel through a computer portal into outer space, where they explore such mysteries as black holes and the origins of the universe, while trying to evade an evil scientist.</p> <p>Also in this series: <i>George's Cosmic Treasure Hunt; George and the Big Bang.</i></p>		
J HOB	Hobbs, Will	Go Big or Go Home
<p>Fourteen-year-old Brady and his cousin Quinn love extreme sports, but nothing could prepare them for the aftermath of Brady's close encounter with a meteorite after it crashes into his Black Hills, South Dakota, bedroom.</p>		

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J HOL	Holm, Jennifer	The Fourteenth Goldfish
Ellie's scientist grandfather has discovered a way to reverse aging, and consequently has turned into a teenager--which makes for complicated relationships when he moves in with Ellie and her mother, his daughter.		
J HOL	Holt, K. A	Mike Stellar: Nerves of Steel
Mike is suspicious when his family joins an expedition to Mars at the last minute, and his fears are confirmed when all of the adults on the colonizing mission, including his parents, begin to act strangely.		
J JEN	Jennings, Patrick	Invasion of the Dognappers
Nothing gets past Logan. When he observes that the neighborhood's dogs are mysteriously vanishing, he suspects nothing less than a full-scale alien dognapping invasion. The adults don't believe him, of course, so he enlists his friends to investigate and soon they make a shocking discovery. Now man's best friend needs help. Fast. Suddenly, Logan and his team are on a mission unlike anything known to man.		
J JUN	Jung, Mike	Geeks, Girls, and Secret Societies
Twelve-year-old Vincent and his fellow members of the Captain Stupendous Fan Club help out when someone new becomes Earth's most famous superhero, without knowing anything about him, just as evil Professor Mayhem and his robot arrive in Copperplate City.		
J KIR	Kirby, Matthew	Spell Robbers
Ben Warner is invited to join a "science camp" led by a quantum physicist Dr. Madeleine Hughes, and with his new friend Peter he discovers the secret art of Actuation--the ability to change reality by imagining it differently--but he also finds that there are people willing to kill for that secret.		
J KLO	Kloepfer, John	Galaxy's Most Wanted
When thirteen-year-old Kevin Brewer and his camp buddies summon an alien to earth, they know they'll win a blue ribbon in the science competition--but they don't expect to find themselves in the middle of an interstellar war.		
J KOR	Korman, Gordon	Masterminds
Eli Frieden lives in the most perfect town in the world: Serenity, New Mexico. In this idyllic place, every lawn is perfectly manicured and everyone has a pool and a tree house. Honesty and integrity are valued above all else. The thirty kids who live there never lie – they know it's a short leap from that to the awful problems of other, less fortunate places. Eli has never left Serenity . . . Why would he ever want to? Then one day he bikes to the edge of the city limits and something so crazy and unexpected happens, it changes everything.		
Also in this series: <i>Criminal Destiny; Payback.</i>		

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J KRO	Krokos, Dan	The Planet Thieves
<p>Two weeks ago, thirteen-year-old Mason Stark and seventeen of his fellow cadets from the Academy for Earth Space Command boarded the SS Egypt. The trip was supposed to be a short routine voyage to log their required spacetime for summer quarter.</p> <p>But routine goes out the airlock when they're attacked by the Tremist, an alien race who have been at war with humanity for the last sixty years.</p> <p>With the captain and crew dead, injured, or taken prisoner, Mason and the cadets are all that's left to warn the ESC. And soon they find out exactly why the Tremist chose this ship to attack: the Egypt is carrying a weapon that could change the war forever. Now Mason will have to lead the cadets in a daring assault to take back the ship, rescue the survivors, and recover the weapon. Before there isn't a war left to fight.</p>		
J KUR	Kurtz, Jane	Planet Jupiter
<p>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.</p>		
NEWBERY 1963	L'Engle, Madeleine	A Wrinkle in Time
<p>Meg Murray, her little brother Charles Wallace, and their mother are having a midnight snack on a dark and stormy night when an unearthly stranger appears at their door. He claims to have been blown off course and goes on to tell them that there is such a thing as a "tesseract," which, if you didn't know, is a wrinkle in time. Meg's father had been experimenting with time-travel when he suddenly disappeared. Will Meg, Charles Wallace and their friend Calvin outwit the forces of evil as they search through space for their father?</p> <p>Other titles in the series: <i>A Wind in the Door, A Swiftly Tilting Planet, Many Waters, An Acceptable Time.</i></p>		
J LER	Lerangis, Peter	The Colossus Rises
<p>Teens Jack, Marco, Aly, and Cass begin a quest to find seven pieces of Atlantis' power that were hidden long ago and that will, if returned to Atlantis, save them from certain death due to the genetic abnormality that also gives them superior abilities.</p> <p>Also in the Seven Wonders series: <i>Lost in Babylon; The Tomb of Shadows; Curse of the King; Legend of the Rift.</i></p>		
NEWBERY 1994	Lowry, Lois	The Giver
<p>Given his lifetime assignment at the Ceremony of Twelve, Jonas becomes the receiver of memories shared by only one other in his community and discovers the terrible truth about the society in which he lives.</p>		

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J MAC	Mackel, Kathy	Alien in a Bottle
With the help of a star-gazing classmate and an unusual assortment of aliens from outer space, teenager Sean Winger tries to find a way to convince his parents to let him pursue his dream of becoming a glass blower.		
J MAS	Mass, Wendy	Pi in the Sky
Joss comes from a family of overachievers, and is happy to let his older brothers shine. But when Earth suddenly disappears, Joss is tasked with the not-so-simple job of bringing it back. With the help of an outspoken girl from Earth named Annika, Joss embarks on the adventure of a lifetime and learns that the universe is an even stranger place than he'd imagined.		
J MCD	McDougall, Sophia	Mars Evacuees
Twelve-year-old Alice Dare is one of 300 seven- to sixteen-year-olds evacuated to Mars to attend school and train as soldiers, safe from the war with Earth's invading aliens, the Morrors, but when all of the adults and robots mysteriously disappear, the youths must survive on their own.		
J MIL	Miller, Wiley	The Extraordinary Adventures of Ordinary Basil
Bored with his life in a lighthouse, Basil sets out for adventure and soon arrives in a mysterious city in the clouds, where he discovers and tries to foil a plan that threatens the entire world.		
See Also: <i>Attack of the Volcano Monkeys.</i>		
J MIT	Mitchell, Todd	The Last Panther
Eleven-year-old Kiri has a secret: wild things call to her. More than anyone else, she's always had a special connection to animals. But when Kiri has an encounter with the last known Florida panther, her life is quickly turned on end. Caught between her conservationist father, who wants to send the panther to a zoo, and the village poachers, who want to sell it to feed their families, Kiri must embark on a journey that will take her deep into the wilderness. There has to be some way to save the panther, and for her dad and the villagers to understand each other. If Kiri can't figure out what it is, she'll lose far more than the panthers – she'll lose the only home she's ever known, and the only family she has left.		
J NEW	Newton, A.I.	The New Kid (The Alien Next Door)
Zeke the alien is on his way to his first day of school, feeling down because he has to start over again on a new planet, as his scientist parents constantly move to wherever their research takes them. When he gets to school, no one seems to notice anything strange or different about him except Harris, a kid obsessed with science fiction and aliens. Harris sees Zeke doing extraordinary things but can't convince anyone, least of all his best friend Roxy, that Zeke might be an alien. Roxy just thinks Harris is jealous that she's becoming friends with Zeke. But when Roxy invites Zeke over to Harris's house, will Harris find a way to prove that he's right?		

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J NYL	Nylund, Eric	Sterling Squadron
<p>Even as he trains to be a pilot for the Resisters, twelve-year-old Ethan Blackwood is still reeling from the news that aliens called the Ch'zar have taken over the world and put all the adults under their mind control. Now the Ch'zar mechanical bug armies are growing. The Resisters need more pilots like Ethan, kids who aren't afraid to think for themselves. Ethan knows just where the Ch'zar send troublemakers like that – to Sterling Reform School. Can Ethan find a way to break into Sterling and recruit new fighters before the enemy discovers the Resisters' underground base?</p>		
J PEC	Peck, Richard	The Great Interactive Dream Machine
<p>Josh Lewis is unwillingly drawn into the computer experiments of Aaron, his friend and fellow classmate at an exclusive New York private school, and the two find themselves uncontrollably transported through space and time.</p>		
J PFL	Pflugfelder, Bob	Nick and Tesla's High-Voltage Danger Lab
<p>Nick and Tesla are bright 11-year-old siblings with a knack for science, electronics, and getting into trouble. When their parents mysteriously vanish, they're sent to live with their Uncle Newt, a brilliant inventor who engineers top-secret gadgets for a classified government agency.</p> <p><u>Also in this series:</u> <i>Nick and Tesla's Robot Army Rampage; Nick and Tesla's Secret Agent Gadget Battle.</i></p>		
J PIL	Pilkey, Dav	Captain Underpants and the Preposterous Plight of the Purple Potty People
<p>George and Harold use the Purple Potty to travel to an alternate universe where teachers care, the library has books, and kids eat at a five-star gourmet cafeteria. Unfortunately they also encounter Evil George and Evil Harold, who transform good Mr. Krupp into Captain Blunderpants.</p>		
J REE	Reeve, Philip	Larklight, or, The Revenge of the White Spiders!, or, To Saturn's Rings and Back! : a Rousing Tale of Dauntless Pluck in the Farthest Reaches of Space
<p>In an alternate Victorian England, young Arthur and his sister Myrtle, residents of Larklight, a floating house in one of Her Majesty's outer space territories, uncover a spidery plot to destroy the solar system.</p> <p><u>See Also:</u> <i>Starcross, or the coming of the Moobs! : or our adventures in the fourth dimension!</i></p>		

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J REX

Rex, Adam

The True Meaning of Smekday

When her mother is abducted by aliens on Christmas Eve (or "Smekday" Eve since the Boov invasion), 11 year-old Tip hops in the family car and heads south to find her and meets an alien Boov mechanic who agrees to help her and save the planet from disaster.

See Also: *Smek for President!*

J ROS

Ross, Joel

The Fog Diver

Thirteen-year-old Chess and his friends Hazel, Bea, and Swedish sail their rickety air raft over the deadly Fog, scavenging the ruins for anything they can sell to survive. But now survival isn't enough. They must risk everything to get to the miraculous city of Port Oro, the only place where their beloved Mrs. E can be cured of fogsickness. Yet the ruthless Lord Kodoc is hot on their trail, for Chess has a precious secret, one that Kodoc is desperate to use against him. Now Chess will face any danger to protect his friends, even if it means confronting what he fears the most.

Sequel: *The Lost Compass.*

J RUT

Ruthven, Todd

Space Cat and the Kittens

Marty and Tailspin have adventures on a planet where the animals are miniature prehistoric type creatures.

J SAL

Sales, Leila

Once Was a Time

In World War II England, ten-year-old Lottie is transported via a portal to present day Wisconsin, where she must find her way back to her family and her best friend, Kitty.

J SAM

Samphire, Patrick

Secrets of the Dragon Tomb

While dreaming of being a spy like those in his favorite magazine, twelve-year-old Edward has been stuck holding his eccentric family together. When his parents are kidnapped, he leads his sisters and cousin in an effort to rescue them across the danger-filled landscape of nineteenth-century Mars.

J SCI

Scieszka, Jon

Frank Einstein and the Antimatter Motor

In his Grandpa Al's garage workshop, child genius Frank Einstein tries to invent a robot that can learn on its own, and after an accident brings wisecracking Klink and overly expressive Klank to life, they set about helping Frank perfect his Antimatter Motor until his archnemesis, T. Edison, steals the robots for his doomsday plan.

Also in this series: *Frank Einstein and the Electro-Finger*; *Frank Einstein and the BrainTurbo*; *Frank Einstein and the EvoBlaster Belt*; *Frank Einstein and the Bio-Action Gizmo*; *Frank Einstein and the Space-Time Zipper.*

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J SEE	Seegert, Scott	Sci-Fi Junior High
<p>Kelvin Klosmo isn't just the new kid at school; he's the new kid in the galaxy! Welcome to Sci-Fi Junior High: an inter-galactic space station with students of all shapes, sizes, smells, and slime content. As the son of Earth's two most famous geniuses, Kelvin isn't just the smartest kid in the world; he's the smartest kid in the UNIVERSE. At least, that's what everybody at Sci-Fi Junior High thinks. So, maybe Kelvin lied a little about being a genius to fit in. And maybe a mad scientist is about to take over the universe unless Kelvin can stop him. Maybe everyone is doomed. Well, at least Kelvin won't have to worry about math homework anymore.</p>		
J SEV	Seven, John	The Alchemist War
<p>Living in the twenty-fifth century, young Dawkins and Hypatia Faraday take time travel and technology like the NeuroNet for granted but in Prague in 1648, they are startled to find a rogue alchemist who is using advanced technology to change mercury into gold.</p> <p><u>Also in the Time-Tripping Faradays series:</u> <i>The Terror of the Tengu; The Outlaw of Sherwood Forest.</i></p>		
J SHU	Shusterman, Neil	Tesla's Attic
<p>After their home burns down, fourteen-year-old Nick, his younger brother, and their father move into a ramshackle Victorian house they've inherited. When Nick opens the door to his attic room, he's hit in the head by a toaster. That's just the beginning of his weird experiences with the old junk stored up there. After getting rid of the odd antiques in a garage sale, Nick befriends some local kids-Mitch, Caitlin, and Vincent-and they discover that all of the objects have extraordinary properties. What's more, Nick figures out that the attic is a strange magnetic vortex, which attracts all sorts of trouble. It's as if the attic itself has an intelligence...and a purpose.</p>		
J SMI	Smith, Greg Leitich	Little Green Men at the Mercury Inn
<p>Twelve-year-old Aidan lives and works at his parents' motel on the Space Coast in Florida, so he's seen a lot of weird stuff. Even his best friend, Louis, is a little bit crazy – he's obsessed with UFOs and swears he saw one two years ago. But things at the Mercury Inn are about to get a whole lot weirder. When an actual unidentified flying object suddenly appears in the sky over the motel, Aidan begins to realize that some of the residents of the Mercury Inn may be much more unusual than he thought. And Louis might not be so crazy after all.</p>		
J SPI	Spinner, Stephanie	Be First in the Universe
<p>While staying with their hippie grandparents, ten-year-old twins, Tod and Tessa, discover an unusual shop at the nearby mall, where they find a lie-detecting electronic pet, a Do-Right machine, and other alien gadgets which help them foil their nemeses, the evil Gneiss twins.</p>		

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J TOB	Tobin, Paul	How to Capture an Invisible Cat
Socially awkward fifth-grade genius Nate Bannister recruits his classmate Delphine to help him reverse one of his many experiments (a dinosaur-sized, invisible cat) while foiling the schemes of the world's most dastardly organization, the Red Death Tea Society.		
J TRI	Trine, Greg	Willy Maykit in Space
Earth-dwelling fourth-grader Willy Maykit couldn't be more excited about his school field trip to Planet Ed. Willy's class will blast off for the afternoon, learn about outer space, and be home in time for dinner. But when he wanders off on his own, Willy ends up being left behind on Ed! Can Willy, along with his classmate Cindy and an alien boy named Norp, outsmart the big hungry monsters on Ed until someone rescues them? With a little help from an android who likes knock-knock jokes and a seagull with terrific aim, they just might!		
J VER	Verne, Jules	20,000 Leagues Under the Sea
The story is told by Professor Aronnax, who agrees to investigate a series of attacks by a mysterious sea monster. He joins the crew of the ship Abraham Lincoln. The men encounter what they believe is the monster, but turns out to be a large, state-of-the-art submarine, the Nautilus. Aronnax and a hot tempered harpoonist, Ned Land, are imprisoned on this vessel, captained by the misanthropic recluse, Nemo. Nemo takes them around the world.		
J VOY	MacHale, D.J.	Voyagers: Project Alpha
Earth is about to go dark. Without a new power source, life as we know it will be toast. A global competition is under way to determine who will join the secret mission that might just save us all. Project Alpha is a contest of physical challenges, mental puzzles, and political alliances. The battle is fierce, and only four kids will make the cut. The Voyagers will journey to the far reaches of space, collecting unique elements and facing unbelievable dangers. The future of our planet is in the hands of four kids. Sure, they'll be the best in the world . . . but can they save the world?		
Also in this series: <i>Game of Flames; Omega Rising; Infinity Riders; Escape the Vortex; The Seventh Element.</i>		
J WAU	Waugh, Sylvia	Space Race
When he learns that he and his father must soon leave Earth, eleven-year-old Thomas Derwent is upset, but a terrible accident that separates the two of them makes Thomas's situation much worse.		
J WEL	Wells, H. G.	The Time Machine
A revolutionary Victorian scientist who claims to have invented a machine that allows him to travel through time recounts his adventures in the futurist world he visits in his time machine to a group of skeptical friends.		

Science Fiction

J WEL	Wells, H. G.	The War of the Worlds
The night after a shooting star is seen streaking through the sky from Mars, a cylinder is discovered on Horsell Common in London. Naïve locals approach the cylinder armed just with a white flag – only to be quickly killed by an all-destroying heat ray, as terrifying tentacled invaders emerge. Soon the whole of human civilization is under threat as powerful Martians build gigantic killing machines, destroying all life in their path with black gas and burning ray. The forces of Earth, however, may prove harder to beat than they appear.		
J WES	Weston, Robert Paul	Zorgamazoo
Imaginative and adventurous Katrina eludes her maniacal guardian to help Morty, a member of a vanishing breed of zorgles, with his quest to uncover the fate of the fabled zorgles of Zorgmazoo as well as of other creatures that seem to have disappeared from the earth.		
J WRO	Wronski, Gareth	Holly Farb and the Princess of the Galaxy
Kidnapped by alien pirates, Holly Farb must face bounty hunters, giant worms, perky holograms, and more as she tries to find the real princess and get home before her big test.		

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