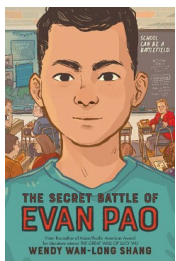
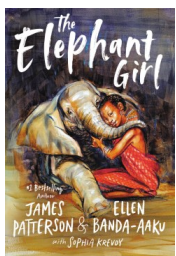


Realistic Fiction



The Secret Battle of Evan Pao

by Wendy Wan Long Shang
Moving to Haddington, Virginia, Evan Pao is targeted by a boy who is determined to make sure that Chinese American Evan is not included, forcing Evan to decide whether to react with the same cruelty shown to him or choose a different path.
AR: 4.3 / Call number: J F SHANG



The Elephant Girl

by James Patterson
When she and the baby elephant she befriended are blamed for two deaths—one human and one elephant—12-year-old Jama must convince the new boy, whose father is head ranger at the conservancy, to help them both.
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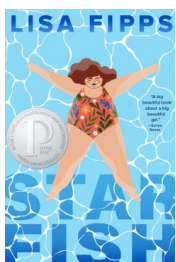
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Iveliz Explains it All

by Andrea Beatriz Arango
Twelve-year-old Iveliz is trying to manage her mental health and advocate for the help and understanding she deserves, but in the meantime her new friend calls her crazy and her abuela Mimi dismisses the therapy and medicine Iveliz needs to feel like herself.
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Starfish

by Lisa Fipps
A debut novel-in-verse follows the experiences of a girl who is bullied for her weight before a swimming hobby, a kind therapist, and an accepting new neighbor help her embrace her true self.
AR: 4.1 / Call number: J F FIPPS



Half Moon Summer

by Elaine Vickers
Deciding to spend their entire summer training for a half-marathon, 12-year-olds Drew and Mia, who have very different reasons for running, discover they have one crucial thing in common: hope for the future, for their families, and for each other.
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Swim Team

by Johnnie Christmas
When she has to take Swim 101, middle schooler Bree must face one of her greatest fears, but with a little help from an elderly neighbor and former swim team captain, she becomes her school's best hope to beat their rival.
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Not an Easy Win

by Chrystal D. Giles
Expelled from school after one too many fights, Lawrence spends his days at the rec center where he learns how to play chess, making moves that change everything as he finds himself still in the game.
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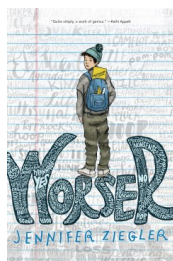
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Maizy Chen's Last Chance

by Lisa Yee
In Last Chance, Minnesota, with her family, Maizy spends her time at the Golden Palace, the restaurant that's been in her family for generations, where she makes some discoveries requiring her to go on a search for answers.
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Worser

by Jennifer Ziegler
William Wyatt Orser's life is turned upside down after his mother has a stroke, but the socially awkward, word-loving twelve-year-old finds glimmers of hope when he discovers friends who share his love of wordplay and books.
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Refugee

by Alan Gratz
Although separated by continents and decades, Josef, a Jewish boy living in 1930s Nazi Germany; Isabel, a Cuban girl trying to escape the riots and unrest plaguing her country in 1994; and Mahmoud, a Syrian boy in 2015 whose homeland is torn apart by violence and

destruction, embark on harrowing journeys in search of refuge, discovering shocking connections that tie their stories together.
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Realistic Fiction



It's Boba Time for Pearl Li!

by Nicole Chen

To save her favorite tea shop from closing, a big-hearted Taiwanese American girl with a passion for crochet decides to sell her amigurumi creations to raise money for the shop, which becomes more complicated than she could have ever imagined.

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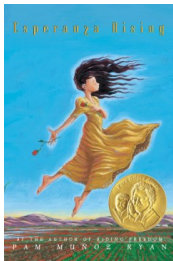


Jennifer Chan is Not Alone

by Tae Keller

When Jennifer Chan, a new girl who believes she can find aliens, goes missing, Mallory Moss sets out to find her and must figure out why Jennifer might have run—and face the truth inside herself.

AR: 4.6 / Call number: J F KELLER



Esperanza Rising

by Pam Muñoz Ryan

Esperanza and her mother are forced to leave their life of wealth and privilege in Mexico to go work in the labor camps of Southern California, where they must adapt to the harsh circumstances facing Mexican farm workers on the eve of the Great Depression.

AR: 5.3 / Call number: J F RYAN



Other Words for Home

by Jasmine Warga

Sent with her mother to the safety of a relative's home in Cincinnati when her Syrian community is overshadowed by violence, Jude worries for the beloved family members who were left behind and forges a new sense of identity shaped by friends and changing

perspectives.

AR: 5.3 / Call number: J F WARGA



Wonder

by R. J. Palacio

Auggie Pullman, who was born with extreme facial abnormalities, goes from being homeschooled to entering fifth grade at a private middle school in Manhattan, which entails enduring the taunting and fear of his classmates.

AR: 4.8 / Call number: J F PALACIO



Claudia and the Bad Joke

by Arley Nopra

While babysitting for practical joker Betsy Sobak, Claudia breaks her leg as a result of one of Betsy's pranks and wants to quit the club, prompting Kristy and the other babysitters to teach Betsy a lesson.

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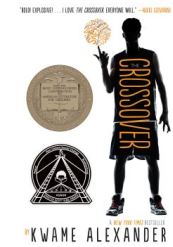


New Kid

by Jerry Craft

Enrolled in a prestigious private school where he is one of only a few students of color, talented seventh grade artist Jordan finds himself torn between the worlds of his Washington Heights apartment home and the upscale circles of Riverdale Academy.

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The Crossover

by Kwame Alexander

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.

AR: 4.3 / Call number: J F ALEXANDER (Newbery)



Rain Reign

by Ann M. Martin

Struggling with the challenges of OCD and Asperger's syndrome, Rose, a homonym enthusiast, shares an inseparable bond with a beloved dog, but when the dog goes missing during a storm, Rose is forced to confront the limits of her comfort levels, even if it

means leaving her routines and safe places in order to search for her pet.

AR: 4.3 / Call number: J F MARTIN



Efrén Divided

by Ernesto Cisneros

Worrying about his undocumented parents, who have worked hard to secure a safe life for their family, a young Mexican American struggles to find his inner courage when his beloved mother is arrested and deported.

AR: 4.5 / Call number: J F CISNEROS