100 Great New Books: Fall 2012

Ali-Karamali, Sumbul. Growing *Up Muslim: Understanding Islamic Beliefs and Practices.*

Author Sumbul Ali-Karamali offers her personal account, discussing the many and varied questions she fielded from curious friends and schoolmates from diet, to dress, to prayer and holidays and everything in between.

Angleberger, Tom. *Fake Mustache*. Amulet, 2012

Fake mustache, or, How Jodie O'Rodeo and her wonder horse (and some nerdy kid) saved the U.S. Presidential election from a mad genius criminal mastermind.

Barrett, Tracy. *The Missing Heir*. (Book #4)Henry Holt, 2011.

Xena and Xander Holmes use clues from their ancestor Sherlock Holmes' casebook to help classmate Alice Banders, who goes missing following the announcement that she will be crowned queen of Borogovia after her thirteenth birthday.

Bauer, Joan. *Almost Home*. Viking, 2012

Sugar and her mother lose their house and experience the harsh world of homelessness.

Bondy, Halley. *Don’t Sit on the Baby*. Zest Books, 2012.

Provides teenage babysitters with advice for the job, including how to get good positions and negotiate with parents and recipes.

Borden, Louise. *His Name Was Raoul Wallenberg*. Houghton Mifflin, 2012.

Chronicles the life of Raoul Wallenberg, a Swede, who at the end of World War II was able to save thousands of Hungarian Jews from the Nazi concentration camps.

Carman, Patrick. *3 Below*. Scholastic, 2012.

Leo has explored the Whippet Hotel, discovering trains, flying goats, and mazes, and when he learns the secret beneath the hotel, a new adventure will begin.

Coben, Harlan. *Seconds Away*. Putnams, 2012

When tragedy strikes close to home, Mickey Bolitar and his new friends find themselves at the center of a murder mystery.

#### Corey, Shana. Here Come the Girl Scouts. Scholastic, 2012.

#### Introduces Juliette Gordon Low to readers and describes how her life-long love of the outdoors led her to found the Girl Scouts.

Corriveau, Art. *12 Hangmen.* Amulet, 2012

In the attic bedroom of the house, Tony comes together with four other boys from different times in history, and they are all connected to a murder, a mystery, and a treasure.

Dashner, James. *A Mutiny in Time*. Scholastic, 2012.

Time has gone wrong, and best friends Dak Smyth and Sera Froste, together with the young Hystorian Riq, must use the infinity ring to travel back to one of the Great Breaks--a mutiny on the Santa Maria--to correct history and defeat the SQ.

Deutsch, Stacia. *Mean Ghouls*. Scholastic, 2012

Megan expected life at her new boarding school to be boring, but she soon discovers that a mysterious virus is slowly turning her classmates into zombies.

Dowell, Frances O’Roark. The *Second Life of Abigail Walker.*

Bullied by two mean girls in her sixth-grade class, a lonely, plump girl gains self-confidence and makes new friends after a mysterious fox gently bites her.

Eamer, Claire. *The World in Your Lunchbox*. Annick Press, 2012.

Contains historical and scientific facts about everyday foods

Ellis, Deborah. *My Name is Parvana*. Groundwood, 2012

Sequel to: The breadwinner. Parvana recounts memories from the past four years of her life as she awaits foreign military forces to determine her fate.

Ellis, Deborah. *No Ordinary Day*. Groundwood, 2011

Valli has always been afraid of the lepers living on the other side of the train tracks in the coal town of Jharia, India, so when a chance encounter with a doctor reveals she also has leprosy, Valli rejects help and begins an uncertain life on the streets.

Fitzmaurice, Katherine. *A Diamond in the Desert*. Viking, 2012

After the bombing of Pearl Harbor, Tetsu and his family are sent to the Gila River Relocation Center in Arizona where a fellow prisoner starts a baseball team, but when Tetsu's sister becomes ill and he feels responsible, he stops playing.

Flake, Sharon. *Pinned.* Scholastic, 2012

Autumn, who struggles with a learning disability and exceeds at wrestling, and Adonis, who is confined to a wheelchair and loves books, learn how their weaknesses can become assets.

Fleming, Candace. *On the Day I Died*. Schwartz and Wade, 2012

Teen ghosts recount the stories of their deaths in different time periods, from 1870 to the present, to sixteen-year-old Mike, who unknowingly picked up a phantom hitchhiker.

Ford, Christopher. *Stickman Odyssey: The Wrath of Zozimos*. Philomel, 2012

Zozimos efforts to reclaim the Sticathan royal throne from his stepmother lead him out to sea, where he faces new obstacles in the forms of mercenary centaurs and giant gods.

Fredericks, Heather Vogel. *Once Upon a Toad*. Simon and Schuster, 2012.

When her mother goes on a NASA mission, Cat is sent to live with her father, stepsister Olivia, and younger brother Geoffrey, but interference by her inept fairy godmother causes toads to appear when Cat speaks and gems to fall from Olivia's mouth.

Freitas, Donna. *Gold Medal Summer*. Arthur A Levine, 2012

After Joey experiences her first kiss and learns that her friend wants to quit competitive gymnastics, she considers giving up her dream of winning gold medals in order to have a normal life, even as her sister and assistant coach urge her to reach a new level.

Gennari, Jennifer. *My Mixed-Up, Berry Blue Summer*. Houghton Mifflin, 2012.

June Farrell spends the summer getting used to the woman her mother is planning to marry and practicing her pie-baking skills, as she hopes to win the blue ribbon at the fair.

Gerber, Linda. *Lights, Camera, Cassidy!* Puffin, 2012. (series)

Cass is to be featured on camera and is paired with a local teenage escort to show her around Valencia, Spain, but troubles mount when Cass catches a criminal in the act on her video blog and Logan returns to the show.

Gibbs, Stuart. *Spy School*. Simon and Schuster, 2012.

Twelve-year-old Ben Ripley leaves his public middle school to attend the CIA's highly secretive Espionage Academy, which everyone is told is an elite science school.

Green, Tim. *Unstoppable*. HarperCollins, 2012.

Foster child Harrison, who dreams of playing in the NFL, is happy when he is put into a home with loving parents and a foster father who is a football coach, but, after becoming the star running back and suffering an injury, a cancer diagnosis threatens his future.

Greenwald, Tommy. Charlie *Joe Jackson’s Guide to Extra Credit*. Roaring Brook, 2012

Bright but unenthusiastic middle school student Charlie Joe Jackson signs up for the school play in an attempt to get straight As on his last quarter report card in order to avoid having to go to Camp Rituhbukkee over the summer.

Haddix, Margaret Peterson. *Game Changer*. Simon and Schuster, 2012

While playing in the championship softball game, star pitcher KT Sutton blacks out and awakes to a changed world where the roles of academics and sports at her school have flipped, making talented athletes, such as KT, outcasts and brainy nerds popular.

Harkrader, Lisa. *The Adventures of Beanboy*. Houghton Mifflin, 2012

Tucker MacBean loves comic books, so when his favorite comic has a contest to create a sidekick, he is hopeful that he can win, thereby fixing his struggling family.

Harrington, Kim. *Partners in Crime*. Scholastic, 2012.

When Darcy and Norah have to create a fake business for a school assignment, they form a detective agency, but then their pretend agency gets a real case; unfortunately, there's someone who doesn't want the two detectives stirring up any trouble.

Harris, R.P. *Tua and the Elephant*. Chronicle Books, 2012.

In Chiang Mai, Thailand, nine-year-old Tua releases an abused elephant from its chains, but it will be a challenge to get the elephant to refuge without getting caught.

Haworth, Danette. *A Whole Lot of Lucky*. Walker, 2012

When Hailee's family wins the lottery, her life changes in unexpected--and not always good--way.

Henry, April. *The Night She Disappeared*. Henry Holt, 2012.

Gabie and Drew set out to prove that their missing co-worker Kayla is not dead, and to find her before she is, while the police search for her body and the man who abducted her.

Herlong, M.H. *Buddy*. Viking, 2012

Twelve-year-old Li'l T and his family face great losses caused by Hurricane Katrina, including leaving Buddy, their very special, three-legged dog, behind when they must evacuate.

Hiaasen, Carl. *Chomp*. Knopf, 2012

The star of the television show, "Expedition Survival," disappears on location in the Everglades, where they were filming animals from the wildlife refuge run by Wahoo Crane's family.

Hill, Will. *The Rising*. (book 20Razorbill, 2012.

Now a member of Department 19, Jamie is part of an agency of vampire hunters who must find the stolen remains of Dracula before the vampire can return and seize power.

Holm, Jennifer and Matthew. *Squish: Power of the Parasite*. Random House, 2012

At swim camp, Squish's new friend Basil helps him avoid learning to swim, but the comic book exploits of Super Amoeba, help him deal with Basil and conquer his fear.

Hunt, Lynda Mullaly. *One for the Murphys*. Nancy Paulsen Books, 2012

Carley struggles with being open to love after she suffers a betrayal that forces her to move in with a foster family.

Hunter, Nick. *Inside the Olympics*. Raintree, 2012.

Examines the history of the Olympic Games and their modern revival, looks at the highlights of the global games since World War II, and discusses host countries, Olympic sports, and controversies.

Ibbotson, Eve. *One Dog and His Boy*. Scholastic, 2012.

When lonely, Hal learns that his wealthy but neglectful parents only rented Fleck, the dog he always wanted, he and new friend Pippa take Fleck and four other dogs from the rental agency on a trek from London to Scotland, where Hal's grandparents live.

Johnson, Peter. *The Amazing Adventures of John Smith, Jr., aka Houdini*. Harper, 2012

John "Houdini" Smith tries to write a book about what is happening in his life, from his parents' worries about money and his brother in Iraq, to his new understandings of people while he and his friends rake lawns in their East Side Providence, Rhode Island neighborhood.

Johnson, Rebecca L. Zombie *Makers: True Stories of Nature’s Undead*. Millbrook Press, 2013

Examines real-life accounts of zombies in nature, including a fly-enslaving fungus, a suicide worm, and a cockroach-taming wasp, and related topics.

Kimmel, Elizabeth Cody. *Stories from New York*. Grossett and Dunlap, 2012

Over their Thanksgiving break, four girls who publish a middle school magazine travel to the "Big Apple" to observe the operations at City Nation magazine.

King, Wesley. *The Vindico*. G.P. Putnam’s Sons, 2012

When supervillains of the Vindico realize they are getting too old to fight the League of Heroes, they kidnap and begin training five teens, but James, Lana, Hayden, Emily, and Sam will not become the next generation of evil without a fight.

Korman, Gordon. *Ungifted*. Balzer and Bray, 2012

Due to an administrative mix-up, troublemaker Donovan Curtis is sent to the Academy of Scholastic Distinction, a special program for gifted and talented students, after pulling a major prank at middle school.

Kowitt, Holly. *The Loser List: Revenge of the Loser.* Scholastic, 2012.

Danny Shine thinks his problems are over now that he has finally gotten his name off the "Loser List" in the girls' bathroom, but Ty Randall, who appears to be perfect, ruins everything and leaves Danny wanting revenge.

Krinsky, Lee. *The Longest Fall.* Universe, 2009

Julian and the other boys on the track team try to regain their reputation and take the title, despite their apparent lack of talent, and they slowly realize the fall season will be their toughest yet.

Krokos, Dan. *False Memory*. Hyperion, 2012

Soon after Miranda awakens with no memory, she discovers that she can release an energy that incites terror in everyone around her except Peter, who tells her she is part of an elite force of genetically-altered teens.

Kurlansky, Mark. *Battle Fatigue*, 2011

Joel Bloom chronicles his life experiences during the 1960's which eventually lead him to oppose the war in Vietnam and to flee to Canada rather than be forced to kill Vietnamese.

Lambert, Joseph. *Annie Sullivan and the Trials of Helen Keller*. Disney/Hyperion, 2012

A graphic novel that explores the role of Annie Sullivan as teacher and companion and discusses the bond that formed between the two women as Helen went on to accomplish many feats.

Larson, Hope. *A Wrinkle in Time: The Graphic Novel*. Farrar Straus Giroux, 2012

A graphic novel adaptation of "A Wrinkle in Time" in which Meg Murry, her brother Charles, and their friend Calvin, embark on a journey through space and time, assisted by three otherworldly women, when they set out to find Meg's father, a physicist who disappeared.

Levy, Joanne. *Small Medium at Large*. Bloomsbury, 2012

After being hit by lightning, Lilah discovers that she can communicate with dead people, including her grandmother who wants Lilah to find a new wife for Lilah's divorced father.

Lin, Grace. *Dumpling Days*. Little, Brown, 2012

Pacy and her family go to Taiwan to celebrate Grandma's sixtieth birthday, and Pacy is excited when her parents sign her up for a Chinese painting class, but she cannot speak the language and struggles to make friends and understand the teacher's instructions.

Lorentz, Dayna. *The Storm: Dogs of the Drowned City*. Scholastic, 2012.

Shep the German shepherd is confused when his family leaves him behind when a hurricane forces them to evacuate, but after his food runs out another dog convinces him to explore the city which is full of adventure and danger.

Lowry, Lois. *Son*. Houghton Mifflin, 2012

Unlike the other Birthmothers in her community, teenaged Claire forms an attachment to her baby, feeling a great loss when he is taken to the Nurturing Center to be adopted by a family unit.

Lu, Marie. *Legend.* Putnam’s 2012.

In a dark future, when North America has split into two warring nations, fifteen-year-olds Day, a famous criminal, and prodigy June, the brilliant soldier hired to capture him, discover that they have a common enemy.

Lundquist, Jenny. *Seeing Cinderella*. Aladdin, 2012

"Callie" Meadow Anderson wishes her life was more like a fairy tale; instead her best friend is acting weird, her parents' marriage is rocky, and she needs very large glasses, but things start getting better when she discovers her glasses are magic.

Lupica, Mike. *Game Changers*. Scholastic, 2012

When the coach's son, Shawn O'Brien, is chosen to play quarterback, Ben McBain is not surprised--but when he tries to be a good teammate and help the inconsistent Shawn, he is startled to learn that his new friend does not really want the position.

Lupica, Mike. *True Legend.* Philomel, 2012

Fifteen-year-old Drew "True" Robinson loves being the best point-guard prospect in high school basketball, but learns the consequences of fame through a former player, as well as through the man who expects to be his manager when True reaches the NBA.

Lynch, Chris. *Fire-Free Zone*. Scholastic, 2012

Rudi is a Marine in Vietnam, and he likes being part of a squad--but the way some of his fellow soldiers behave toward their officers, the Vietnamese, and the war itself, is starting to trouble him.

Magoon, Kekla*. Fire in the Streets*. Aladdin, 2012.

Sequel to: The rock and the river. In the aftermath of Dr. King's assassination in 1968, Chicago Maxie longs to join the Black Panthers, whether or not her brother Raheem, ex-boyfriend Sam, or her friends like it.

McAuley, Amy. *The Violins of Autumn*. Walker and Co. 2012

When World War II breaks out, Betty, an American studying in England, trains as a spy and parachutes into German-occupied France to join the Resistance, but after meeting a young American pilot she begins to realize fully the brutality of the war.

Messner, Kate. *Capture the Flag*. Scholastic, 2012

When the original Star Spangled Banner is stolen, seventh-graders Anne, Jose, and Henry, all descendants of the Silver Jaguar Society, pursue suspects on airport carts and through baggage handling tunnels while stranded at a Washington, D.C., airport during a snowstorm.

Messner, Kate. *Eye of the Storm*. Walker, 2012

Jaden's summer visit with her meteorologist father, who has just returned from spending four years in Russia conducting weather experiments not permitted in the United States, fills her with apprehension and fear as she discovers that living at her father's planned community Placid Meadows is anything but placid.

Miller, Ashley Edward. *Colin Fischer*. Razorbill, 2012.

A boy with autism teams up with the high school bully to get to the bottom of a cafeteria crime.

Monaghan, Annabel. *A Girl Named Digit*. Houghton Mifflin, 2012

After identifying a terrorist plot, a brilliant seventeen-year-old girl from Santa Monica, California, gets involved with the young FBI agent who is trying to ensure her safety.

Moore, Wes. *Discovering Wes Moore.* Delacorte, 2012.

The author, a Rhodes scholar and combat veteran, analyzes factors that influenced him as well as another man of the name and from the same neighborhood who was drawn into a life of drugs and crime and ended up serving life in prison, focusing on the influence of relatives, mentors, and social expectations that could have led either of them on different paths.

Morris, Taylor. *Hello, Gorgeous: Blowout*. Grosset and Dunlap, 2012 (series)

When Mickey starts working at her mother's fabulous hair salon and tells secrets she learns there to people at school in order to be more popular, her plans backfire.

Moskowitz, Hannah. *Zombie Tag*. Roaring Brook Press, 2012

In the months since Wil's older brother Graham died, Wil has spent most of his time playing a game he invented, but when he finds a way to bring Graham and others back from the dead, fighting zombies is suddenly no longer a game.

Moss, Marissa. *A Soldier’s Secret.* Amulet, 2012

Sarah masquerades as a man during the Civil War, serving as a nurse on the battlefield and a spy for the Union Army, escaping from the Confederates, and falling in love with one of her fellow soldiers. Based on the life of Sarah Emma Edmonds.

Murphy, Jim. *Invincible Microbe: Tuberculosis and the Never-ending search for the cure*. Clarion, 2012

Discusses the history of tuberculosis and the attempts to find a cure.

Murphy, Jim. *The Giant and How He Humbugged America*. Scholastic Press, 2012

A description of the Cardiff Giant mystery in which a man in upstate New York buried a ten-foot-tall, petrified model of a man, which was discovered by well diggers a year later, and set into motion a money-making spectacle.

Nielsen, Jennifer A. *The False Prince*. Scholastic, 2012

In the country of Carthya, a devious nobleman engages four orphans in a brutal competition to be selected to impersonate the king's long-missing son in an effort to avoid a civil war.

Patterson, James. *Middle School: Get Me Out of Here!* Little, Brown, 2012

After surviving sixth grade, Rafe expects seventh grade to be a fun zone because he has been accepted to art school in the big city, but when he discovers it is more competitive than he expected, he sets out to turn his boring life into the inspiration for a work of art.

Peacock, Carol Antoinette. *Red Thread Sisters*. Viking, 2012

After an American family adopts eleven-year-old Wen from a Chinese orphanage, she vows to find a family for her best friend, too.

Pearshall, Shelley. *Jump Into the Sky*. Alfred A. Knopf, 2012

In 1945, Levi is sent to find the father he has not seen in three years, going from Chicago, to segregated North Carolina, and finally to Oregon,where he learns that his father's unit, the all-Black 555th paratrooper battalion, will never see combat but finally has a mission.

Pilkey, Dav. *Captain Underpants and the Terrifying Return of Tippy Tinkletrousers.* Scholastic, 2012.

After being sent to jail for the rest of their lives, George and Harold are taken on a trip back in time by Tippy Tinkletrousers back to their Kindergarten days where they must deal with their bully without the help of Captain Underpants.

Poblocki, Dan. *The Ghost of Graylock*. Scholastic, 2012

Staying with their aunts over the summer, Neil Cady, his sister Bree, and their new friends Wesley and Eric, set out to explore Greylock Hall, an abandoned psychiatric hospital which is supposed to be haunted by the ghost of Nurse Janet.

Preus, Margi. *Shadow on the Mountain*. Amulet, 2012.

In Nazi-occupied Norway, fourteen-year-old Espen joins the resistance movement, graduating from deliverer of illegal newspapers to courier and spy.

Price, Lissa. *Starters*. Delacorte, 2012

Callie, having lost every family member besides her little brother when a genocide spore killed all of those who were not vaccinated, thinks she has found a way to support them by renting her body to seniors who want to be young again, but after a neurochip malfunction results in her being stuck in the life of her rich renter, she uncovers the horrible plan of her boss and must race against time to stop it.

Pyron, Bobbie. *The Dogs of Winter*. Arthur A. Levine, 2012.

Brought to Moscow in 1990s Russia by his mother's abusive boyfriend, five-year-old Mishka is forced by a gang of homeless children to lie and steal until he finds comfort and love with a pack of dogs. Includes historical note.

Reedy, Trent. *Stealing Air*. Arthur A. Levine, 2012.

Three sixth-grade boys band together to build an experimental aircraft, enduring social and practical difficulties in the process.

Rinn, Diane. *Tokyo Heist.* Viking, 2012

After a high-profile art heist of three van Gogh drawings in her home town of Seattle, Violet Rossi finds herself in Japan with her artist father, searching for the related van Gogh painting.

Ripken, Cal. *Super-Sized Slugger*. Disney/Hyperion, 2012

Cody Parker moves to Baltimore, Maryland, where as a fat eighth-grader, he has to deal with brutal teasing from a baseball teammate, and his school is beset by a rash of mysterious thefts that threaten to sideline Cody and ruin a golden season for his team.

#### Roman, Dave. *TeenBoat! : the angst of being a teen, the thrill of being a boat!*

#### Follows the adventures of Teen Boat!, a teenage boy who can transform into a small yacht, as he navigates the waters of adolesence.

Russell, Rachel Renee. *Dork Diaries: Tales from a not-so-smart Miss Know-It-All*. Aladdin, 2012

Nikki is assigned to be the advice columnist, but after getting flooded with letters asking for her guidance, she becomes overwhelmed and must ask her friends for help.

Schoenbeck, Jeryl. *Athena’s Son*. Papyrus, 2012

Archimedes is blessed by Athena with extensive knowledge. He has to tread carefully when he applies the cold logic of Greek science in a sultry, mystical world of Egyptian culture. But when an ancient scroll puts him on the path of the killer, it also brings another god back from the dead. Now Archimedes is going to need Athena's war skills.

Scarrow, Simon. *Gladiator: Fight for Freedom*. Disney/Hyperion, 2012

Marcus Cornelius Primus learns what it takes to be an elite warrior and sets out to escape from gladiator school in order to right the wrongs that have been done to his family, without knowing he is carrying a secret that could lead to his freedom and the fall of the Empire.

Scieszka, Jon. *Guys Read: The Sports Pages*. Walden Pond, 2012

The Sports Pages is the third volume in the Guys Read Library of Great Reading.

Shan, Darren. *Zom-B*. Little, Brown, 2012.

B, who does not buy into his father's racism, but goes along with it to avoid being abused, acts out at school by getting into fights and being mean, but, when zombies attack, he must try to find students with whom to team up in order to fend them off.

Sherman, M. Zachary. *Heart of the Enemy*. Stone Arch, 2012

Lieutenant Commander Michael Alexander Donovan and SEAL Team Two are on a dangerous mission to capture a known terrorist and gun smuggler near the Iraq-Syria border but they could have been deceived by the local police chief.

Sheth, Kashmira. *The No-Dogs-Allowed Rule*. Almert Whitman, 2012

Third-grader Ishan Mehra wants his family to get a dog, but his efforts to convince his parents often get him into trouble.

Springer, Kristina. *Just Your Average Princess*. Farrar, Strauss, Giroux, 2012.

Working in her family's pumpkin patch every year, Jamie has dreamed of two things--dating co-worker Danny and being crowned Pumpkin Princess--but her beautiful and famous cousin Milan's visit may squash all of her hopes.

Stead, Rebecca. *Liar &Spy*. Wendy Lamb, 2012

Georges adjusts to moving from a house to an apartment, his father's efforts to start a new business, his mother's extra shifts as a nurse, being picked on at school, and Safer, a boy who wants his help spying on another resident of their building.

Stine, R.L. *Planet of the Lawn Gnomes*. Scholastic, 2012

Jay Gardener is trying to stay out of trouble in his new neighborhood, but when strange things keep happening to him, he wonders if it is the lawn gnomes are causing them.

Stone, Jeff. *Phoenix.* Random House, 2012

When their home is robbed, Phoenix, an amateur dirt-bike racer, discovers a shocking mystery about his grandfather, and Phoenix must travel to China and then to Texas to find some answers

Stoudemire, A’mare. *Home Court* (Standing Tall and Talented #1)Scholastic, 2012

Between sports, school, and working for his father, 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.

Sullivan, Mary. *Dear Blue Sky*. Nancy Paulsen Books, 2012

Shortly after Cass's big brother is deployed to fight in Iraq, Cass becomes pen pals with an Iraqi girl who opens up her eyes to the effects of war.

Tashjian, Janet. *For What It’s Worth*. Henry Holt, 2012

Living in Los Angeles' Laurel Canyon neighborhood, fourteen-year-old Quinn's life has been consumed by music and the famous musicians who live nearby, but in 1971, his first girlfriend, a substitute teacher, and a draft dodger help open his eyes about the Vietnam War.

Telgemeier, Raina. *Drama*. Graphix, 2012

Callie rides an emotional roller coaster while serving on the stage crew for a school production of Moon over Mississippi as various relationships start and end, and others never quite get going.

Tooke, Wes. *King of the Mound: My Summer with Satchel Paige*, Simon and Schuster 2012

Nick loves baseball so after a year in the hospital and with a brace on one leg, Nick takes a job with the team for which his father is catcher and gets to see the great pitcher, Satchel Paige, play during the 1935 season.

Vernon, Ursula. *When Fairies Go Bad*. Dial, 2012

Danny's mother has disappeared into a fairy ring growing in her backyard vegetable garden, and Danny and his friends, Wendell and Christiana, must go to Faerie to try to save her.

Weyn, Suzanne. *Invisible World.* Scholastic, 2012

After a shipwreck, Elsabeth James, a teenage girl with supernatural gifts, washes up on a South Carolina plantation where she falls in love and learns magic and healing, but her stay is cut short when she is sent as a servant to Salem, Massachusetts, and, once there, an evil spirit enters her village and she must find a way to save herself and the boy she loves.

Williams, Kathryn. *Pizza, Love, and Other Things that Made Me Famous*. Henry Holt, 2012

Although sixteen-year-old Sophie has grown up working in her family's Mediterranean restaurant in Washington, D.C., she is not prepared to compete on the new reality show, Teen Test Kitchen, when her best friend Alex convinces her to audition. Includes recipes.

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