

# BIRTHDAY BOOKS AVAILABLE

Reading Level is listed after book title

## PICTURE BOOKS

***The Day Roy Riegels Ran the Wrong Way by Dan Gutman 2.5***

A boy's grandfather tells him about the famous Rose Bowl game in 1929 when the University of California Golden Bears lost after one of their players ran the wrong way down the football field.

***Valensteins (a love story) by Ethan Long 1.8***

On a cold, dark night perfect for scaring, Fran is making a valentine, causing other members of Fright Club to howl and hiss over the idea of being in love.

***Vanilla Ice Cream by Bob Graham 2.2***

When a young, curious sparrow enjoys his freedom and follows food, a chance encounter with little Edie Irvine transforms her life.

***When Sophie Thinks She Can't... by Molly Bang 2.5***

Sophie is discouraged because she always struggles with math and puzzles--until her teacher shows her the hidden value of 'try' and 'yet'"--Provided by publisher.

## CHAPTER BOOKS

***The Case of the Feathered Mask by Holly Webb 4.7***

Junior sleuth Maisie Hitchins, who lives in her grandmother's boarding house in Victorian London, investigates the theft of a rare and valuable tribal mask from the Amazon rainforest.

***The Case of the Secret Tunnel by Holly Webb 5.2***

"Maisie sets out to uncover the true identity of the new lodger at her gran's boarding house and uncovers a more complicated--and dangerous--mystery than she could have imagined"

***Daniel Coldstar: The Relic War by Stel Pavlou 5.6***

Below the surface on a forgotten planet, Daniel Coldstar searches for relics from a lost civilization. Daniel has no memory of his past. All he knows is to do his job and fear the masters of the mines. Until he unearths a relic more powerful than anything he has ever seen. A relic that might help him escape.

***Danger Goes Berserk by Mac Barnett 4.1***

As soon as twelve-year-old Steve Brixton opens a detective office in his backyard, he and his best friend Dana are caught up in a tangle of cases, from breaking up a ring of pirate

smugglers, to recovering a stolen surfboard, to tracking down a fifth-grader's missing gym shorts.

***The Great Shelby Holmes by Elizabeth Eulberg 4.7***

Nine-year-old Shelby Holmes, the best detective in her Harlem neighborhood, and her new easy-going friend from downstairs, eleven-year-old John Watson, become partners in a dog-napping case.

***Max Quick: The Pocket and the Pendant by Mark Jeffrey 4.1***

Young Max, a troubled boy with a mysterious past, joins two other youths unaffected when the rest of the world was frozen in time, on a journey across America - and time itself - seeking the source of the "Time Stop."

***Mystery on Pine Lake by Tamra Wight 4.4***

Book 1 of the Cooper and Packrat Series: Cooper and Packrat who are spending the summer at the Wilder Family Campground and Pine Lake must try and solve who is destroying a loon nest.

***Mystery of the Missing Fox by Tamra Wight 4.2***

Book 3: "When Cooper and Packrat find a fox caught in an illegal trap on the campground's land, they must find the culprit and protect the fox kits from any future dangers"

***The Nutcracker Mice by Kristin Kladstrup 5.1***

A young mouse must save her production of The Nutcracker, a new ballet set to debut during the Christmas season.

***You Throw Like a Girl by Rachele Alpine 5.0***

When Gabby goes to sign up for the summer softball league, she discovers that there wasn't enough interest to justify a girls' team this year. A horrible miscommunication ends with Gabby signed up to participate in the Miss Popcorn Festival--the annual pageant that Gabby's mom dominated when she was younger. Besides not having any interest in the pageant life, Gabby made a promise to her dad that she would play softball for the summer. Gabby creates a master plan: disguise herself as a boy and sign up for the boy's baseball team instead--and try to win the pageant to make Mom happy. Can Gabby juggle perfecting her pageant walk and perfecting her fastball? Or will this plan strike out?

## **NONFICTION BOOKS**

***Being a Toucan by Katherine Ponka 4.2***

An introduction to the toucan that discusses different species, its habitat and eating habits, and toucans as pets.

***Fall Shakes to Harvest Bakes by Marilyn LaPenta 6.0***

Contains ideas and recipes for making nutritious and tasty foods using seasonal ingredients, including pumpkin muffins, baked stuffed apples, kale chips, and others; includes tips on preparation and safety.

***From Wood to Baseball Bat by Robin Nelson 2.6***

An introduction to the process of making a baseball bat, from cutting the wood, to shipping the bat to the store.

***The Great White Shark Scientist by Sy Montgomery 6.2***

Follow Dr. Greg Skomal, biologist and head of the Massachusetts Shark Research Program, as he strives to better understand the habits and habitats of Great Whites in order to save this amazing, if maligned, creature of the deep

***Green Berets by Lee Slater 5.1***

"Explores the Green Berets history, key missions, role in the US military, major accomplishments, required training, weapons, gear, technology, and other information.

***Growing Up Pedro by Matt Tavares 4.6***

An illustrated biography of Pedro Martinez that describes his childhood and how he became a famous baseball player.

***Mount Rushmore: Myths, Legends and Facts by Jessica Gunderson 5.7***

Explores the myths, facts and legends associated with Mount Rushmore.

***Octopuses One to Ten by Ellen Jackson 4.9***

A counting journey through the mysterious world of octopuses"

***Super Hockey Infographics by Jeff Savage 5.4***

A collection of infographics that provides facts and statistics about hockey.