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Grade	Author	Title	Genre	Lexile
5-9	Bloor, Edward	<b>Tangerine</b> Living in surreal Tangerine County, Fla., a legally blind boy begins to uncover the ugly truth about his football-hero brother.	Fiction	680L
4-8	Collier, James & Christopher	<b>My Brother Sam is Dead</b> Recounts the tragedy that strikes the Meeker family during the American Revolution when one son joins the rebel forces while the rest of the family tries to stay neutral in Tory Town.	Historical Fiction	770L
7-12	Cooney, Caroline	<b>The Face on the Milk Carton</b> A milk carton portrait causes a 15-year-old girl to question her true identity and her family.	Fiction	660L
5-12	Cooper, James Fenimore	<b>Last of the Mohicans</b> Deep in the forests of upper New York State, the brave woodsman Hawkeye (Natty Bumppo) and his loyal Mohican friends Chingachgook and Uncas become embroiled in the bloody battles of the French and Indian War.	Historical Fiction	1350L
4-7	Curtis, Christopher Paul	<b>Bud, Not Buddy</b> It's 1936, in Flint, Michigan, and when 10-year-old Bud decides to hit the road to find father, nothing can stop him. <b>Newbery Award Winner, 2000</b> <b>Coretta Scott King Award Winner, 2000</b>	Historical Fiction	950L
7-12	Dogar, Sharon	<b>Annexed</b> This novel is written from the viewpoint of Peter van Pels, who is nearly 16 in 1942 when he and his parents join the Franks in hiding in their Amsterdam attic to his last days in the Nazi death camp.	Historical Fiction	HL470L

3-7	Gaiman, Neil	<b>Coraline</b> When Coraline and her parents move into a new house, she notices a mysterious, closed-off door that leads her to a parallel universe and tries to trap her there.	Science Fiction/ Fantasy	740L
4-8	Grahame, Kenneth	<b>The Wind in the Willows</b> Good friends; Toad, Rat, Mole, and Badger, have a series of exciting adventures, engaging in a comic caper, or simply relaxing by the River Thames	Fantasy Fiction	1140L
4-7	Hinton, S. E.	<b>Outsiders</b> Fourteen-year-old Ponyboy is tough and confused, yet sensitive behind his bold front. Since his parents' death, his loyalties have been to his brothers and his gang. A nightmare of violence begins when his best friend kills a member of a rival gang.	Urban Fiction	750L
5-12	Keyes, Daniel	<b>Flowers for Algernon</b> When brain surgery makes a mouse into a genius, dull-witted Charlie Gordon wonders the same surgery might also work for him.	Fiction	910L
3-7	Lowry, Lois	<b>Number the Stars</b> The gripping story of a ten-year-old Danish girl and her family's courageous efforts to smuggle Jews out of their Nazi-occupied homeland to the safety in Sweden. <b>Newberry Award Winner, 1990</b>	Historical Fiction	670L
4-8	Matas, Carol	<b>Daniel's Story</b> Daniel, whose family suffers as the Nazis rise to power in Germany, describes his imprisonment in a concentration camp and his eventual liberation.	Historical Fiction	720L
5-9	Mikaelsen, Ben	<b>Touching Spirit Bear</b> A violent bully agrees in a court sentencing to participate in an alternative based on the Native American Circle Justice is sent to a remote Alaskan island where an encounter with the "Spirit Bear" changes his life.	Fiction	670L
4-8	O'Dell, Scott	<b>Island of the Blue Dolphin</b> The Story of 12-year old Karana on a Pacific island after she leaps from a rescue ship. Isolated on the island for 18 years, she forges for food, builds weapons to fight predators and finds strength and peace in her seclusion. <b>Newbery Winner, 1961</b>	Historical Fiction	1000L
6-9	Paulsen, Gary	<b>Brian's Winter</b> What would have happened to Brian (protagonist of Hatchet) had he been forced to survive the winter in the wilderness with only his survival pack and hatchet.	Fiction	1140L

3-7	Philbrick, Rodman	<p><b>Freak the Mighty</b></p> <p>Two boys – a slow learner stuck in the body of a teenage giant and a tiny Einstein in leg braces - forge a unique friendship when they pair up to create one formidable human force.</p>	Fiction	1000L
4-9	Riordan, Rick	<p><b>The Lightning Thief</b></p> <p>After learning that he is the son of a mortal woman and Poseidon, god of the sea, twelve-year-old Percy is sent to summer camp for demigods like himself, and joins his new friends on a quest to prevent a war between the gods.</p>	Fantasy Fiction	740L
7-8	Ryan, Pamela Munoz	<p><b>Esperanza Rising</b></p> <p>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 workere on the eve of the Great Depression</p>	Historical Fiction	750L
3-7	Snyder, Zilpha Keatly	<p><b>The Egypt Game</b></p> <p>Two girls get involved in an elaborate "Egypt game," a fantasy game that soon leads to strange, unexplainable happenings.</p> <p><b>Newbery Honor Book, 1968</b></p>	Fantasy Fiction	1010L
5-9	Sonneblick, Jordan	<p><b>Drums, Girls &amp; Dangerous Pie</b></p> <p>Steven has a totally normal life, well, almost. He plays drums in the All-City-Jazz Band, has a crush on the hottest girl in school, and is constantly annoyed with his younger brother, Jeffery. But, when Jeffery gets sick, Steven's world is turned upside down.</p>	Fiction	940L
6-10	Spinelli, Jerry	<p><b>Maniac Magee</b></p> <p>After his parents die, Jeffrey Lionel Magee's life becomes legendary, as he accomplishes athletic and other feats which awe his contemporaries.</p> <p><b>Newbery Winner, 1991</b></p>	Fiction	820L
8-12	Trueman, Terry	<p><b>Stuck in Neutral</b></p> <p>Shawn McDaniel's life is not what it may seem to anyone looking at him. But, trapped in a body that is unable to voluntarily move; his mind is sharp enough to recognize that his life is in danger from his father who believes that Shawn may want released from this world.</p>	Fiction	820L
5-12	Yolen, Jane	<p><b>Devil's Arithmetic</b></p> <p>Hannah dreads going home to her family's Passover Seder. Her relatives always tell</p>	Historical Fiction	730L

the same stories, and it's always about the past. But when she opens the front door to symbolically welcome the prophet Elijah, she's immediately transported to a Polish village in the year 1942 when the Nazi soldiers are taking everyone away. Only Hannah know the unspeakable truth and the horrors that await the villagers.

