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Alexander, Kwame *The Crossover*, 237 pgs. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing, 2014. \$16.99. Language: G (0 swears); Violence: PG; Mature Content: PG. EL, MS - - ESSENTIAL Lisa Librarian

Andreu, Maria E. *The Secret Side of Empty*, 336 p. Language: PG-13 (30 swears, 0 'f'); Violence: PG-13 (father beats daughter); Mature Content: PG-13 (pot, beer, pills, thoughts of suicide). HS - ADVISABLE. Cindy, Library Teacher

Applegate, Katherine Ivan: *the remarkable true story of the shopping mall gorilla*, illustrated by G. Brian Karas. PICTURE BOOK. Clarion (Houghton), 2014. \$18. Content: G. EL, MS - ESSENTIAL. Cindy - Library Teacher

Baker, E. D. *A Question of Magic*, 262 p. Bloomsbury, 2014. \$17. Language: G. Violence: G (war mentioned, but not described); Mature Content: G. EL, MS – ESSENTIAL. Cindy, Library Teacher

Berry, Julie *The Scandalous Sisterhood of Prickwillow Place*, 345 pgs. Roaring Brook Press, 2014. \$15.99. Language: G; Violence: PG; Mature Content: PG. EL MS HS - - ESSENTIAL Lisa Librarian

Scientists in the Field Series:

***Burns, Loree Griffin** *Beetle Busters: A rogue insect and the people who track it*, 61 p. NON-FICTION. Houghton Mifflin, 2014. \$19. Content: G. EL, MS - ESSENTIAL. Cindy - Library Teacher

***Carson, Mary Kay** *Park Scientists: Gila Monsters, Geysers, and Grizzly Bear in America's Own Backyard*, 72 p. NONFICTION. Houghton Mifflin, 2014. \$19. EL, MS – ESSENTIAL

***Montgomery, Sy** *Chasing Cheetahs*, photographs by Nic Bishop 70p. NON-FICTION. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2014. \$18.99. Content: G. EL, MS - ESSENTIAL. Cindy - Library Teacher

***Rusch, Elizabeth** *The Next Wave: The quest to harness the power of the oceans*, 73 p. NON-FICTION. Houghton Mifflin, 2014. \$19. Content: G. EL, MS, HS – ESSENTIAL.

Crowe, Chris *Death Coming Up the Hill*, 202 pgs. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2014. \$16.99 Content: Language: PG-13 (12 swears); Mature Content: PG; Violence: PG. MS, HS- ESSENTIAL. Reviewer, C. Peterson.

Droyd, Ann *If You Give a Mouse an iPhone*, PICTURE BOOK. Content: G. Blue Rider Press, 2014. \$15.95. EL, MS - ADVISABLE. Cindy, Library Teacher

Elvgren, Jennifer *The Whispering Town*, illustrated by Fabio Santomauro. PICTURE BOOK. Karben Publishing, 2014. \$7.95. Content: PG. EL, MS -- ESSENTIAL. Reviewer: Caryn

Freedman, Russell *Because They Marched*, 83p. NON-FICTION. Holiday House, 2014. \$20.00. Language: G (2 swears, 0 "f"); Mature Content: G; Violence: PG-13. MS – ESSENTIAL. Cindy -

Library Teacher

Gephart, Donna *Death by Toilet Paper*, 260 pgs. Random House Children's Books, 2014. \$16.99. Language: G (0 swears) Violence: PG; Mature Content: G. MS - ESSENTIAL - - Lisa Librarian

Gibbs, Stuart *Space Case*, 356 p. Simon, 2014. \$17. Language: G; Mature Content: G; Violence: PG (mild). EL, MS - ESSENTIAL. Cindy, Library Teacher

Gill, J. Duddy *The Secret of Ferrell Savage*, 166 pgs. Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2014. \$15.99. Content: PG. MS -- ESSENTIAL. Reviewer: Caryn

Han, Jenny *To All the Boys I've Loved Before*, 352 pgs. Simon and Schuster, 2014. \$17.99 Content: Language: R (33 swears; 2 "F"); Mature Content: PG-13; Violence: G. HS-ADVISABLE, MS-OPTIONAL. Reviewer, C. Peterson.

Holm, Jennifer L. *The Fourteenth Goldfish*, 190 pgs. Random House, 2014. \$16.99 Content: G. EL (4-6), MS-ESSENTIAL. Reviewer, Isabelle, age 11.

Hurwitz, Michele Weber *The Summer I Saved the World in 65 Days*, 264 pgs. Random House Children's Books. 2014. \$16.99. Language: PG 5 swears (Diety); Violence: G; Mature Content PG. MS, HS - ESSENTIAL Lisa Librarian

Hutchinson, Shaun David *The Five Stages of Andrew Brawley*, 288 p. Simon Pulse, 2015. Language: R (60 swears, 22 'f'); Mature Content: PG-13 (many mentions of a variety of subjects - nothing graphic); Violence: PG-13 (beating, someone set on fire, cartoon depictions of violence). HS - OPTIONAL (content). Cindy, Library Teacher, MLS

Jay, Stacey *Princess of Thorns*, 388 p. Delacorte (Random), 2015. \$18. Language: PG (11 swears, 0 'f'); Violence: PG (fighting); Mature Content: PG-13 (body words, deflowering described mildly). MS, HS - ESSENTIAL. Cindy, Library Teacher

Keplinger, Kody *The Swift Boys & Me*, 265 p. Scholastic Press, 2014. \$17. Language: G; Mature Content: PG (affair mentioned, not described); Violence: PG (girl pushed down and kicked). EL - OPTIONAL; MS - ADVISABLE. Cindy, Library Teacher, MLS

Adaption by King, Stacy *Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen* 376 pgs. Udon Entertainment, 2014. \$24.99. Content: Language: G (0 swears); Mature Content: PG Violence: G. MANGA. 978-1927925188
HS - ADVISABLE Reviewer: Stephanie Elementary School Librarian & Author.

Larson, M.A. *Pennyroyal Academy*, 314 p. Putnam (Penguin), 2014. \$17. Language: G; Mature Content: G; Violence: PG (fantasy clashes). EL, MS - ESSENTIAL. Cindy, Library Teacher

Laurie, Victoria *When*, 323p. Hyperion, 2015. \$17.99. Language: PG-13 (42 swears, 0 "f"); Mature Content: G; Violence: PG (deaths, but never graphic); MS, HS - ESSENTIAL. Cindy - Library Teacher

Levine, Kristin *The Paper Cowboy*, 352 p. Putnam (Penguin), NOVEMBER 2014. \$17. Violence: PG (belt whipping, bullying); Mature Content: G; Language: G. EL, MS - ADVISABLE. Cindy, Library teacher

Liu-Perkins, Christine *At Home in Her Tomb: Lady Dai and the Ancient Chinese Treasures of Mawangdui*, 71 p. NON-FICTION. Charlesbridge, 2014. \$20. Content: G. EL - ADVISABLE (see cover); MS - ESSENTIAL. Cindy, Library Teacher

Lupica, Mike *Fantasy League*, 293 p. Philomel (Penguin), 2014. \$18. Content: G. EL, MS - ESSENTIAL. Cindy, Library Teacher

Lytton, Deborah *Silence*, 312 pgs. Shadow Mountain, 2015. Language – G, Sexual Content – PG; Violence – PG; HS – ESSENTIAL. Reviewer: Carolina Herdegen

McGuire, Sarah *Valiant*, 384 p. Egmont, JUNE 2015. \$17. Content: G. MS - ESSENTIAL. Cindy, Library Teacher, MLS

McKissack, Patricia and Fredrick Jr. *Best Shot in the West: The Adventures of Nat Love*, Illustrated by Randy Duburke, 131 pgs. Chronicle Books, 2012. \$19.99. Language: G; Violence: PG13 (mildly graphic illustrations) Mature Content: G. GRAPHIC NOVEL. EL, MS - - ADVISABLE Lisa Librarian

Monir, Alexandra *Suspicion*, 295 p. Delacorte (Random), 2015. \$18. MS, HS – ESSENTIAL. Cindy, Library Teacher

Novak, B.J. *The Book with No Pictures*. PICTURE BOOK. Dial Books for Young Readers, 2014. \$17.99. Content: G. EL -- ESSENTIAL. Reviewer: Caryn

Patterson, James *Homeroom Diaries*, 251 pgs. Hachette Book Group, 2014. \$18.00. Language: PG13 (25 swears 0 Fs); Violence: PG; Mature Content: PG13. MS HS - - ADVISABLE Lisa Librarian

Potter, David *The iPhone that Saved George Washington* (The Left Behinds #1), 336 p. Crown (Random House), 2015. \$17. Violence: PG (deaths, war, not graphic). MS – ESSENTIAL. Cindy, Library Teacher

Powell, William Campbell *Expiration Day*, 333 p. Tom Doherty, 2014. \$18. Language: PG-13 (22 swears, 0 'f'); Violence: G; Mature Content: G. MS, HS - ESSENTIAL. Cindy, Library Teacher

Price, Lissa *Starters*, 350 pgs. Delacorte Press, 2012. \$9.99 Content: Language: PG (1 swear); Violence: PG; Mature Content: PG. MS, HS-ESSENTIAL. Reviewer, C. Peterson.

Rutkoski, Marie *The Winner's Curse*, 355 pgs. Farrar Straus Giroux (Macmillan), 2014. \$17.99 Content: Language: PG (6 swears); Mature Content: PG-13; Violence: PG-13. MS, HS-ADVISEABLE. Reviewer, C. Peterson.

Sandler, Martin W. *How the Beatles Changed the World*, 169 p. Bloomsbury, 2014. \$21. Content: G. MS, HS - ESSENTIAL. Cindy, Library Teacher

Segel, Jason and Kirsten Miller *Nightmares!*, illustrated by Karl Kwasny. 355 p. Delacorte (Random), 2014. \$17. Language: G; Mature Content: G; Violence: PG (nighmare-ish, but not bloody scariness).

EL, MS – ESSENTIAL. Cindy, Library Teacher

Sheinkin, Steve *Lincoln's Grave Robbers*, 207 pgs. Scholastic, 2012. \$16.99. NON FICTION
Language: G; Violence: G; Mature Content: G. EL, MS - ESSENTIAL Lisa Librarian

Shusterman, Neal *Challenger Deep*, 321pgs. *Harper Collins, 2015. \$17.99.* Language: PG (2 swears, 0 "f"); Mature Content: PG ; Violence: PG. MS, HS - ESSENTIAL Reviewer: Megan Straw, Language Arts Teacher

Shusterman, Neal *Tesla's Attic*, 246 p. Disney, 2014. \$17. EL, MS - ESSENTIAL. Cindy, Library Teacher

Smith, Jennifer E. *The Statistical Probability of Love at First Sight*, 256 pgs. Poppy, 2012. \$17.99. Language: PG (5 swears; 0 'f'); Mature Content: PG; Violence: PG. HS -- ESSENTIAL. Reviewer: Caryn

Swanson, James L., *The President Has Been Shot!: The Assassination of John F. Kennedy*. Pgs. 288. Scholastic Press, 2013. INFORMATION. \$18.99 ISBN 9780545490078
MS, HS. ESSENTIAL. Reviewer: Jessica Moody, Library Media Specialist, Olympus Jr. High.

Telgemeier, Raina *Sisters* 197 pgs. GRAPHIC NOVEL. Scholastic, 2014. \$8.99. Language: G; Violence: G; Mature Content: G.
EL MS -- ESSENTIAL Lisa Librarian

Templeman, McCormick *The Glass Casket*, 336 p. Delacorte, 2014. \$18. Violence: PG-13 (about 20 deaths, victims drained of blood, throats slit, organs removed). HS - ADVISABLE. Cindy, Library Teacher

Timberlake, Amy *One Came Home* 272 pgs. Knopf Books for Young Readers, 2013. \$11.55. Content: Language: G (0 swears); Mature Content: G ; Violence: PG13. EL, MS - ESSENTIAL Lisa Librarian

Todd, Ilima *Remake*, 304 p. Shadow Mountain, OCTOBER 2014. \$18. Language: G; Mature Content: G; Violence: PG (shark attack). MS, HS - ESSENTIAL. Cindy, Library Teacher

Waller, Sharon Biggs *A Mad, Wicked Folly*, 406 pgs. Viking, 2014. \$17.99 Language: PG (15 swears; 0 'f'); Mature Content: PG; Violence: PG. MS, HS—ESSENTIAL. AEB

Walters, Eric *The Rule Of Three*, 405 p. Farrar Straus Giroux, 2014. \$18. Language: PG (6 swears, 0 'f'); Violence: PG (many bloodless deaths); Mature Content: G. MS - ESSENTIAL. Cindy, Library Teacher

Whitaker, Alecia *The Queen Of Kentucky*, 375 p. Little, Brown And Company, 2012. \$18. Language: PG-13 (35+ swears, 0 'f'); Violence: PG (results of child abuse); Mature Content: PG-13 (girl body talk, drunk teens). MS - OPTIONAL. HS - ADVISABLE. Cindy, Library Teacher

Yang, Gene Luen *The Shadow Hero*, illustrated by Liew, Sonny GRAPHIC NOVEL 176 pgs. First Second, 2014. \$17.99 Content: Language: G (0 swears); Mature Content: PG13 Violence: PG13

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