

# Book Frenzy 2020

## ~Elementary~

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(B)=both lists; \*=other favorite  
(C)=CLAU also

### NOVELS

*All the Colors of Magic* by Valija Zinck. 277 pages. Scholastic, DECEMBER 2019. \$ 18.

Content: G

BUYING ADVISORY: EL, MS – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

(B)*Batting Order* by Mike Lupica, 293 pages.

Simon and Schuster, 2019. \$ 18.

Content: G

BUYING ADVISORY: EL, MS – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

*A Drop of Hope* by Keith Calabrese, 305 pages. Scholastic Press, 2019. \$ 16.99

Language: PG (1 swear, 0 "f"); Mature Content: PG; Violence: G

BUYING ADVISORY: EL, MS – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

*Guts* by Raina Telgemeier 224 pages GRAPHIC NOVEL Graphix (Scholastic) 2019. \$ 13.

Language: G (0 swears 0 'f) Mature Content: PG (references to periods) Violence: G.

BUYING ADVISORY: EL, MS – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

(B)*Homerooms and Hall Passes* by Tom O'Donnell, 352 pages. Balzer and Bray (Harper), 2019. \$ 17

BUYING ADVISORY: EL, MS – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

*Legends of the Sky* by Liz Flanagan, 357 pages. Scholastic, 2019. \$ 19

Language: G; Mature Content: G; Violence: PG (War battles)

BUYING ADVISORY: EL, MS – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

(B)*Maybe He Just Likes You* by Barbara Dee, 283 pages. Aladdin (Simon), 2019. \$ 18.

Content: G

BUYING ADVISORY: EL, MS – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: ADVISABLE

\**More to the Story* by Hena Khan, 257 pages. Salaam Reads (Simon & Schuster), 2019. \$ 18.

Content: G

BUYING ADVISORY: EL, MS – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: AVERAGE

*Mr. Wolf's Class* by Aron Nels Steinke, 153 pages. GRAPHIC NOVEL. Graphix (Scholastic), 2018. \$ 19.

BUYING ADVISORY: EL – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

*Not If I Can Help It* by Carolyn Mackler, 240 pages. Scholastic Press, AUGUST 2019. \$ 17

Content: G (1 swear)

BUYING ADVISORY: EL – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

*Planet Earth is Blue* by Nicole Panteleakos, 240 pages. Random House, 2019. \$ 17.

Language: G (1 swears, 0 "f"); Mature Content: ; Violence:

BUYING ADVISORY: EL – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL:

AVERAGE

(B)*The Revenge of Magic* by James Riley, 400 pages. Aladdin (Simon), 2019.

\$ 18.

Language: G(0 swears, 0 "f"); Mature Content: G; Violence: PG (some danger, some fighting)

BUYING ADVISORY: EL, MS – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

*The Serpent's Secret (Kiranmala and the Kingdom Beyond # 1)* by Sayantani Dasgupta, 338 pgs, Scholastic Press, \$ 18

Language: G(0 swears, 0 "F"); Mature Content: G; Violence: G



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BOOK**

BUYING ADVISORY: EL, MS ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

***Small Spaces* by Katherine Arden**, 218 pages. G.P. Putnam's Sons (Penguin Young Readers Group), 2018. \$17  
Language: G. Mature Content: PG (scary images, not for age 7 and under); Violence: PG (people are zombified and their faces are sewn into scarecrows)

BUYING ADVISORY: EL, MS - ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

***Some Places More Than Others* by Renee Watson**, 194 pages. Bloomsbury, 2019. \$17.

Content: G

BUYING ADVISORY: EL, MS – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: AVERAGE

***The Truth About Martians* by Melissa Savage**, 317 pages. Crown Books for Young Readers, 2018. \$17.

Language: G (4 swears, 0 “F”); Content: G; Violence: G

BUYING ADVISORY: EL – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: AVERAGE

***Willow Moss and the Lost Day (Starfell #1)* by Dominique Valente**, 288 pages. HarperCollins, 2020. \$17.

9780062879400

Content: G (mild danger)

BUYING ADVISORY: EL – ESSENTIAL; MS – ADVISABLE

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

## PICTURE BOOKS

***The Brain Storm* by Linda Ragsdal, illustrated by Claudio Molina**. PICTURE BOOK. Flowerpot Children's Press, 2019. \$17.

9781486715565

BUYING ADVISORY: EL (K-3), EL - ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: AVERAGE

***Can I Touch Your Hair? Poems of Race, Mistakes, and Friendship* by Irene Latham and Charles Waters, illustrated by Sean Qualls and Selina Alko** PICTURE BOOK, POETRY Carolrhoda Books (Lerner Imprints), 2018. \$17.99. 9781512404425

BUYING ADVISORY: EL - ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: AVERAGE

***Goodbye, Friend! Hello, Friend!* By Cori Doerrfeld**. PICTURE BOOK. Dial (Penguin Random), 2019. \$18. 9780525554233

BUYING ADVISORY: EL (K-3) –ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

***Hair Love* by Matthew A. Cherry, illustrated by Vashti Harrison**. PICTURE BOOK. Kokila (Penguin), 2019. \$18.

9780525553366

BUYING ADVISORY: Pre-K, EL (K-3): ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

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***I Love My Colorful Nails* by Alicia Acosta and Luis Amavisca, illustrated by Gusti**. PICTURE BOOK. NubeOcho, 2019. \$16. 9788417123598

BUYING ADVISORY: Pre-K, EL (K-3) – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

***(B)Jacob's Room to Choose* by Sarah and Ian Hoffman, illustrated by Chris Case**. PICTURE BOOK. Magination Press, MAY 2019. \$18. 9781433830730

BUYING ADVISORY: EL (K-3), EL, MS, HS, ADULTS – ESSENTIAL AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

***The Many Colors of Harpreeet Singh* by Supriya Kelkar, illustrated by Alea Marley**. PICTURE BOOK. Sterling Children's Books, 2019. \$17. 9781454931843

BUYING ADVISORY: EL (K-3) - ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: AVERAGE

**\**The Second Sky* by Patrick Guest, illustrated by Jonathan Bentley**. PICTURE BOOK. Eerdmans Books, 2019. \$18.

9780802855206

BUYING ADVISORY: Pre-K, EL (K-3) – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

***(C)Sign Off* by Stephen Savage**. WORDLESS PICTURE BOOK. Beach Lane (Simon), 2019. \$18. 9781534412101

BUYING ADVISORY: Pre-K, EL (K-3) – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

***Straw* by Amy Krouse Rosenthal, illustrated by Scott Magoon**. PICTURE BOOK. Disney, 2019. \$17. 9781484749555

BUYING ADVISORY: Pre-K, EL (K-3) – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

***Sulwe* by Lupita Nyong'o, illustrated by Vashti Harrison**. PICTURE BOOK. Simon & Schuster, 2019. \$18. 9781534425361

BUYING ADVISORY: EL (K-3) - ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

**\*This is Not That Kind of Book** by Christopher Healy, illustrated by Ben Mantle. PICTURE BOOK. Random House, 2019. \$18. 9780525580294.

BUYING ADVISORY: EL (K-3), EL – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

**This Book Just Stole My Cat!!** by Richard Byrne. PICTURE BOOK. Henry Holt (Macmillan), 2019. \$18. 9781250206671

BUYING ADVISORY: Pre-K, EL (K-3) – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

**\*Tiger Days: A Book of Feelings** by M.H. Clark, illustrated by Anna Hurley. PICTURE BOOK. Compendium, 2019. \$17. 9781946873415

BUYING ADVISORY: Pre-K, EL (K-3) – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

**\*Unicorns 101** by Cale Atkinson. PICTURE BOOK. Doubleday (RandomHouse), 2019. \$18. 9781984830364

BUYING ADVISORY: EL (K-3), EL – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

**When Grandma Gives You a Lemon Tree** by Jamie L. B. Deenihan, illustrated by Lorraine Rocha. PICTURE BOOK.

Sterling, 2019. \$17. 9781454923817

BUYING ADVISORY: EL – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

## NON-FICTION

**The Brain is Kind of a Big Deal** by Nick Seluk. NON-FICTION/PICTURE BOOK. Orchard Books (Scholastic), OCTOBER 2019.

\$18. 9781338167009

BUYING ADVISORY: EL - ESSENTIAL; MS – ADVISABLE

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

**The Day the Universe Exploded My Head** by Allan Wolf, illustrated by Anna Raff. POETRY PICTURE BOOK. Candlewick,

2019. \$18. 9780763680251

BUYING ADVISORY: EL, MS – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

**Epic Athletes series** by Dan Wetzel, illustrations by Zeke Pena, approx. 160 pages. NON-FICTION Henry Holt (Macmillan), 2019. \$17.

Tom Brady, Lionel Messi, LeBron James, Kevin Durrant, Serena Williams, Alex Morgan, Simone Biles, Stephan Curry, Content: G

BUYING ADVISORY: EL, MS – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

**(C)Flower Talk: How Plants Use Color to Communicate** by Sara Levine, illustrated by Masha D'yans. PICTURE BOOK.

Millbrook Press, 2019. \$20. 9781541519282

BUYING ADVISORY: EL, MS – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

**Forgotten Beasts : Amazing Creatures that Once Roamed the Earth** by Matt Sewell NON FICTION Pavilion Books Ltd,

2018. \$20. 9781843653936

BUYING ADVISORY: EL, MS - ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

**Gross as a Snot Otter: discovering the world's most disgusting animals** by Jess Keating, illustrated by David

DeGrand. NON-FICTION PICTURE BOOK. Knopf (Random), 2019. \$18. 9781524764500

BUYING ADVISORY: EL – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

**Her Own Two Feet: A Rwandan Girl's Brave Fight to Walk** by Meredith Davis and Rebeka Uwitonze. 193 pages.

BIOGRAPHY. Scholastic, 2019. \$18

Content: G

BUYING ADVISORY: EL, MS – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

**\*How Many?** by Christopher Danielson. PICTURE BOOK. Charlesbridge, 2019. \$16. 9781580899451

BUYING ADVISORY: Pre-K, EL (K-3)- ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

**Moon! Earth's Best Friend** by Stacy McAnulty, illustrated by Stevie Lewis. NONFICTION PICTURE BOOK. Henry Holt

(Macmillan), 2019. \$18. 9781250199348

BUYING ADVISORY: EL (K-3), EL – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

**Never Caught: The Story of Ona Judge (Young Readers Edition)** by Erica Armstrong Dunbar and Kathleen Van

Cleve, 252 pages. NON-FICTION. Aladdin (Simon and Schuster), 2019. \$19. 9781534416178

Language: G (0 swears); Mature Content: PG; Violence: PG.

BUYING ADVISORY: EL, MS - ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

*Our World is Relative* by Julia Sooy, illustrated by Molly Walsh. PICTURE BOOK. Feiwel and Friends (Macmillan), 2019. \$18. 9781250293688

BUYING ADVISORY: EL, EL (K-3) – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: AVERAGE

*\*Pluto Gets the Call* by Adam Rex, illustrated by Laurie Keller. PICTURE BOOK. Beach Lane (Simon), 2019. \$18. 9781534414532

BUYING ADVISORY: EL (K-3), EL – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

*Seashells: More Than a Home* by Melissa Stewart, illustrated by Sarah S. Brannen. NON-FICTION/PICTURE BOOK. Charlesbridge, 2019. \$16. 9781580898102

BUYING ADVISORY: EL, MS – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

*\*The Skies Above My Eyes* by Charlotte Guillain, Illustrated by Yuval Zommer. PICTURE BOOK. Maxime Boucknooghe, 2018. \$23.00. 9781910277690

BUYING ADVISORY: EL (K-3), EL – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

*Stink Fights, Earwax, and Other Marvelous Mammal Adaptations* by Laura Perdue, illustrated by Katie Mazeika. NON-FICTION PICTURE BOOK. Nomad Press, AUGUST 2020. \$20. 9781619309579

BUYING ADVISORY: EL (K-3), EL – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

*Stinky Science: Why the Smelliest Smells Smell so Smelly* by Edward Kay and Mike Shiell. PICTURE BOOK, NON FICTION. Kids Can Press, 2019. \$17.99. 9781771383820

EL (K-3) - ADVISABLE, EL, MS - ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

*Titanosaur* by Dr. Jose Luis Carballido and Dr. Diego Pol and Illustrated by Forencia Gigena. PICTURE BOOK. Orchard Books (Scholastic), 2019. \$19. 9781338207392

BUYING ADVISORY: EL (K-3) – ESSENTIAL

AUDIENCE APPEAL: HIGH

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