

SEQUOYAH CHILDREN'S MASTERLIST 2009

- Avi. *Strange Happenings: Five Tales of Transformation*. Harcourt, 2006, 147 p. Talking to a cat, speaking with a bird or imagining what it would be like to be invisible all seem quite possible after reading this book of supernatural stories.
- Bidner, Jenni. *Is My Dog a Wolf?: How Your Pet Compares to Its Wild Cousin*. New York: Lark Books, 2006, 64 p. From licking faces to howling, dogs show that they are more like their wolf ancestors than people realize.
- Gutman, Dan. *Satch & Me: A Baseball Card Adventure*. HarperCollins, 2006, 175 p. In this mix of history, magic and humor, thirteen-year-old Joe Stosh and his coach Flip Valentini travel back in time to 1942, to meet the famous Negro League pitcher Satchel Paige.
- Hobbs, Valerie. *Sheep*. New York: Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2006, 128 p. Jack, a border collie, is ripped his family, so he sets out on a journey to find his destiny with nothing but his courage and a dream; but are dreams and courage enough?
- Hopkinson, Deborah. *Into the Firestorm*. Alfred A. Knopf, 2006, 195 p. Eleven-year-old Nicholas Dray's dream of escaping a Texas work farm for San Francisco comes true, only to become a nightmare of rolling earth, crumbling buildings and a race with friends to survive a maze of horrifying fires.
- Jenkins, Emily. *Toys Go Out: Being the Adventures of a Knowledgeable Stingray, a Toughy Little Buffalo, and Someone Called Plastic*. Schwartz & Wade Books/Random House, 2006, 117 p. After a series of frightening encounters with a backpack, a dictionary and a washing machine, Stingray, Lumphy the Buffalo and Plastic find that there is nothing more comforting than friends.
- Lombard, Jenny. *Drita, My Homegirl*. G.P. Putnam's Sons, 2006, 135 p. When ten-year-old Drita arrives in New York from her war-torn country, Kosovo, her new teacher pairs her with Maxie, a cocky, trouble-making classmate, to do a special project--and the two girls do not even speak the same language!
- Mack, Tracy and Michael Citrin. *Fall of the Amazing Zalindas*. Orchard Books, 2006, 259 p. Wiggins, Ozzie and the rest of the young Baker Street Irregulars are joined by Sherlock Holmes and the mysterious gypsy girl, Pilar, to solve the case of a murdered family of tightrope walkers in London, England in 1889.
- Napoli, Donna Jo. *Ugly*. Hyperion, 2006, 192 p. In a first-person retelling of Hans Christian Andersen's classic "The Ugly Duckling", rich in details of its Tasmanian setting, Ugly is bullied and tormented by the other ducklings because he is different.
- Pennypacker, Sara. *Clementine*. Hyperion, 2006, 144 p. Third-grader Clementine has a kind heart and an inquisitive mind that frequently land her in trouble when her bright ideas have unforeseen consequences.
- Pringle, Laurence. *American Slave, American Hero: York of the Lewis and Clark Expedition*. Calkins Creek Books/Boyd Mills, 2006, 40 p. In 1803, when Lewis and Clark chose the best men for their dangerous mission to explore the West, they chose York; but York had no choice since he lived as a slave.
- Shafer, Audrey. *The Mailbox*. Delacorte Press, 2006, 178 p. When his Vietnam veteran uncle, Vernon, dies unexpectedly, twelve-year old Gabe, alone, scared and grief-stricken, keeps the death a secret. Then the body disappears, mysterious notes begin arriving in the mailbox, and Gabe finds his courage.
- Tingle, Tim. *Crossing Bok Chitto: A Choctaw Tale of Friendship & Freedom*. Cinco Puntos Press, 2006, un-paged. When Martha Tom, a Mississippi Choctaw, gets lost picking blackberries, Little Mo, a slave, leads her home. This is the start of their friendship and a journey to freedom.
- Ullman, Barb Bentler. *The Fairies of Nutfolk Wood*. Katherine Tegen Books/HarperCollins, 2006, 243 p. While struggling with her parents' divorce and a move to the country, fourth-grader Willa Jane helps her older neighbor Hazel May, who tells her stories about the tiny people of Nutfolk. Willa knows that fairies don't exist, but she keeps seeing something in the wood.

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