FICTION

Adventure and Mystery

Beetle Boy
by M. G. Leonard
(Chicken House/Scholastic, $16.99) 978-0-545-85346-0
Aided by stalwart Bertolt, intrepid Virginia, and a swarm of exotic beetles, Darkus sets out to find his father, who has mysteriously disappeared. Black-and-white spot illustrations. (11–13)

Delilah Dirk and the King’s Shilling
written and illustrated by Tony Cliff
(First Second/Roaring Brook Press/Macmillan, P $17.99) 978-1-62672-155-5
In this second installment of Delilah Dirk’s adventures, she returns to England with loyal friend Selim in order to clear her name as a traitor. Action-packed color panels. (11–13)

Forensics Squad Unleashed
by Monique Polak
(Orca Book Publishers, P $9.95) 978-1-4598-0979-6
Six teens attend a forensics camp in Montreal and learn many skills that they immediately need to use to rescue abducted pets. (11–14)

The Magic Mirror: Concerning a Lonely Princess, a Foundling Girl, a Scheming King, and a Pickpocket Squirrel
by Susan Hill Long
Young Maggie is cursed with a crutch and a tough life, until a magic mirror hints at better things, beginning a twisty tale of destiny. (11–13)

School Ship Tobermory
by Alexander McCall Smith, illustrated by Iain McIntosh
(Delacorte Press/Random House/PRH, $15.99) 978-0-399-55261-8
When twins Ben and Fee land coveted spots on a training ship, they share unexpected adventures with new friends. Spot black-and-white illustrations. Glossary of nautical terms. (11–13)

Animals

Rescued
by Eliot Schrefer
(Scholastic Press, $18.99) 978-0-545-65503-3
A boy who grew up with an orangutan must now rescue his “brother” and work to return him to Indonesia and the wild. (11–14)

What Elephants Know
by Eric Dinerstein
(Disney-Hyperion Books, $16.99) 978-1-4847-2854-3
In Nepal, Nandu must save his adopted father’s elephant stable. The author, a naturalist, writes vividly about the plants and animals of Nepal. (11–14)

Coming of Age

*The Ballad of a Broken Nose
by Arne Svingen, translated from the Norwegian by Kari Dickson
Can 13-year-old Bart make friends, pursue his love of opera singing, and find his father in spite of poverty, an inadequate mother, bullying, and his own stress? (11–14)

The Big Dark
by Rodman Philbrick
(Blue Sky Press/Scholastic, $17.99) 978-0-545-78975-2
When an explosion on the sun causes an electromagnetic disaster, 15-year-old Charlie learns difficult lessons about heroism and hardship. (11–13)
**Comming of Age, continued**

**Dreidels on the Brain**
by Joel Ben Izzy
(Dial BFYR/Penguin YR/PRH, $17.99) 978-0-8037-4097-6
In 1971, as he prays for a Chanukah miracle, 12-year-old Joel must deal with family issues and being the only Jew in his school. (12–14)

**Every Single Second**
by Tricia Springstubb, illustrated by Diana Sudyka
(Balzer + Bray/HarperCollins, $16.99)
978-0-06-236628-3
Nella juggles the challenges of neighborhood racial conflicts, tragedy, and a loving but demanding family. Occasional pen and ink illustrations. (11–13)

**Free Verse**
by Sarah Dooley
(G.P. Putnam’s Sons/Penguin Random House/PRH, $16.99) 978-0-399-16503-0
When Sasha, a seventh grader, enters foster care in her West Virginia mining town, poetry helps her reexamine the meaning of family and home. (11–13)

**It Ain’t So Awful, Falafel**
by Firoozeh Dumas
(Clarion Books/HMH, $16.99) 978-0-544-61231-0
Zomorod (who goes by Cindy), a sixth grader born in Iran, tries to live a normal life in 1970s California during the American hostage crisis. (12–14)

**The It Girl**
by Katy Birchall
(Aladdin/Simon & Schuster, $16.99) 978-1-4814-6362-1
Junior high school student Anna describes her daily troubles with parents, friendship, and popularity, along with the problem of dealing with sudden celebrity. (11–14)

**The Possibility of Now**
by Kim Culbertson
(Point/Scholastic, $17.99) 978-0-545-73146-1
After a meltdown at her highly competitive school, overachieving Mara goes to stay with her estranged father, a ski bum. (12–15)

**Saving Wonder**
by Mary Knight
(Scholastic Press, $16.99) 978-0-545-82893-2
In rural Kentucky, Curley and his best friend Jules try to save their beloved mountain from being destroyed by the big mining company in town. (11–13)

**Sea Change**
written and illustrated by Frank Viva
(Toon Books, $18.95) 978-1-935179-92-4
Twelve-year-old Eliot has a transformative experience during a summer vacation with his great-uncle in a small fishing village in Nova Scotia. Clever pencil and India ink artwork. (11–13)

**Some of the Parts**
by Hannah Barnaby
(Alfred A. Knopf BFYR/Random House/PRH, $17.99) 978-0-55353963-9
After Tallie learns that her parents donated her brother’s organs, she is obsessed with finding the recipients. (11–14)

**This Is the Story of You**
by Beth Kephart
(Chronicle Books, $17.99) 978-1-4521-4284-5
The effects of a sudden devastating superstorm on 17-year-old Mira and her small New Jersey barrier island is told in vivid poetic prose. (11–14)

**Timber Creek Station**
by Ali Lewis
(Carolrhoda LAB/Lerner, $18.99) 978-1-4677-8117-6
A boy faces intricately interwoven problems at an Australian cattle station: a devastating drought, his brother’s death, his sister’s pregnancy, and his prejudice towards Aborigines. (12–15)
**Best Children’s Books of the Year**

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- **Graphic Format**

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**Coming of Age, continued**

*When Friendship Followed Me Home*
by Paul Griffin
(Dial BFYR/Penguin YR/PRH, $16.99) 978-0-8037-3816-4
Former foster kid Ben Coffin, 12, a science fiction and math geek, rescues and adopts a stray dog, setting off a chain of unforeseen events. (11–14)

**Where You’ll Find Me**
by Natasha Friend
(Farrar Straus Giroux BFYR/Macmillan, $16.99) 978-0-374-30230-6
When her mother’s crippling mental illness forces 13-year-old Anna to move to her father’s home with his new family, she faces life’s joys and pain. (12–14)

**Wolf Hollow**
by Lauren Wolk
(Dutton Children’s Books/PRH, $16.99) 978-1-101-99482-5
In 1943, Betty, 14, accuses a gentle veteran of her own aggressive bullying. When his only friend, Annabelle, 14, tries to help him, the consequences are dire. Includes violence and cruelty that may not be appropriate for sensitive readers. (12–14) Mature Content

**The World Beneath**
by Janice Warman
(Candlewick Press, $16.99) 978-0-7636-7856-2
In the 1970s, Joshua, a black boy living with his servant mother in a White-owned mansion, becomes embroiled in the South African antiapartheid struggle, forcing him to make heart-wrenching decisions. (11–14)

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**Fantasy**

**The Adventures of Lettie Peppercorn**
by Sam Gayton, illustrated by Poly Bernatene
(Margaret K. McElderry Books/Simon & Schuster BFYR, $16.99) 978-1-4814-4769-0
Risking her life to find her mother, Lettie pursues an alchemist to retrieve a mysterious substance he created. Dramatic black-and-white illustrations are peppered throughout. (10–13)

**The Dog, Ray**
by Linda Coggin
(Candlewick Press, $15.99) 978-0-7636-7938-5
When 12-year-old Daisy tragically dies in a car crash, she is reborn as a puppy named Ray. Will she reunite with her family or follow a new path? (11–13)

**Furthermore**
by Tahereh Mafi
(Dutton Children’s Books/PRH, $17.99) 978-1-101-99476-4
Born colorless in a magical world where color is valued above all else, Alice joins another outcast, Oliver, on a quest to find her missing father. (11–13)

**The Girl from Everywhere**
by Heidi Heilig
(Greenwillow Books/HarperCollins, $17.99) 978-0-06-238075-3
Nix can help her father go back to Honolulu in 1868 to reunite with his long-dead wife in their time-traveling ship. But might that inadvertently erase her own birth? (12–15)

*The Girl Who Drank the Moon*
by Kelly Barnhill
(Algonquin Young Readers/Algonquin Books of Chapel Hill, $16.95) 978-1-61620-567-6
Every year the Protectorate must leave a baby in the woods to keep the witch away. But what happens to the baby afterward? (11–14)

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Fantasy, continued

The Hidden Oracle (The Trials of Apollo series)
by Rick Riordan
(Disney-Hyperion Books, $19.99) 978-1-4847-3274-8
A mysterious attacker is laying siege to the Greek demigods’ camp on 21st-century Long Island. Can Apollo, now a mortal, save it? (12–15)

Into the Dim
by Janet B. Taylor
(Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, $17.99) 978-0-544-60200-7
After her mother’s death, Hope is sent from California to her aunt’s manor in the Scottish highlands. While there, she learns her mother is actually trapped in the 12th century. (11–14)

Longbow Girl
by Linda Davies
(Chicken House/Scholastic, $17.99) 978-0-545-85345-3
Merry, trained as an archer in a 700-year-long family tradition, finds a portal to 1537 Wales, where warfare rages for her ancestral lands. (12–15)

Rebel of the Sands
by Alwyn Hamilton
(Viking/Penguin YR/PRH, $18.99) 978-0-451-47753-8
When Amani, an orphan with a talent for guns, leaves Dustwalk, she must embrace her gift in order to survive in the desert. (12–14)

Riverkeep
by Martin Stewart
(Viking/Penguin Random House, $17.99) 978-1-101-99829-8
On a treacherous river journey, 15-year-old Wull must survive encounters with magical creatures as he seeks to rid his father of the demons that possess him. (12–15)

The Scourge
by Jennifer A. Nielsen
(Scholastic Press, $16.99) 978-0-545-68245-9
When a plague sweeps through the land, Ani is shocked when she tests positive. The test seems rigged, but will Ani die anyway? (11–14)

The Secret Keepers
by Trenton Lee Stewart, illustrated by Diana Sudyka
(Little, Brown and Company/Hachette, $18.99) 978-0-316-38955-6
Finding an extraordinary antique watch leads 11-year-old Reuben on a frightening quest, where he confronts an evil genius and learns to use his new capabilities. Spot black-and-white drawings. (11–14)

A Shadow Bright and Burning (Kingdom on Fire series)
by Jessica Cluess
(Random House Children’s Books/PRH, $17.99) 978-0-553-53590-7
Sixteen-year-old Henrietta, training as the first female sorcerer, confronts gender stereotypes in Victorian England. (12–15)

The Shadow Guard (Second Guard series)
by J. D. Vaughn
(Disney-Hyperion Books, $16.99) 978-1-4231-7097-6
Brindl, a member of the Earth Guild employed by the princess, fights to create a world of equality for workers and royalty alike. (12–15)

A Torch against the Night
by Sabaa Tahir
(Razorbill/PRH, $19.95) 978-1-10199-887-8
In a sequel to An Ember in the Ashes, Laia and Elias endure prison, attacks, rebellion, and magic to rescue Laia’s imprisoned brother. (12–15)
### Best Children’s Books of the Year

**Folk and Fairy Tales**

- **Snow White**  
  written and illustrated by Matt Phelan  
  (Candlewick Press, $19.99) 978-0-7636-7233-1  
  New York City during the Great Depression is the setting for a reimagining of this fairy tale. Atmospheric pencil, ink, and watercolor art. (11–15)

- **Tales of the Peculiar**  
  by Ransom Riggs  
  (Dutton Children’s Books/PRH, $24.99) 978-0-399-53853-7  
  People turn into islands and sell their limbs to cannibals in these short, slightly macabre morality tales by a “former ward of Peregrine’s Home for Peculiar Children.” Interspersed black-and-white drawings. (12–14)

### Historical Fiction

- **Anna and the Swallow Man**  
  by Gavriel Savit, illustrated by Laura Carlin  
  (Alfred A. Knopf BFYR/Random House/PRH, $17.99) 978-0-553-51334-9  
  In Poland in 1939, caught between advancing Russian and German armies, Anna begins a years-long struggle for survival, aided by the mysterious Swallow Man. Black-and-white spot illustrations. (12–15)

- **Ashes (The Seeds of America trilogy)**  
  by Laurie Halse Anderson  
  (A Caitlyn Dlouhy Book/Atheneum BFYR/Simon & Schuster, $16.99) 978-1-4169-6146-8  
  Runaway slaves Isabel and Curzon search for Isabel’s younger sister and dream of freedom as they find themselves engulfed in the war between the Patriots and the British. (11–14)

### Graphic Format

- **Cloud and Wallfish**  
  by Anne Nesbet  
  (Candlewick Press, $16.99) 978-0-7636-8803-5  
  In 1989 Noah’s family suddenly moves to East Berlin and assumes a new identity. He befriends a neighbor, and the two uncover secrets in the midst of changing history. (11–14)

- **Dive!: World War II Stories of Sailors & Submarines in the Pacific**  
  by Deborah Hopkinson  
  (Scholastic Press, $17.99) 978-0-545-42558-2  
  Submerge yourself in the stories of sailors and their submarines as they fought beneath the waters of the Pacific Ocean during World War II. Maps and archival photographs. (11–13)

- **Finding Wonders: Three Girls Who Changed Science**  
  by Jeannine Atkins  
  (Atheneum BFYR/ Simon & Schuster, $16.99) 978-1-4814-6565-6  
  Despite the gender bias of their times, naturalist Maria Merian, fossil hunter Mary Anning, and astronomer Maria Mitchell made important discoveries and contributions to their fields. Told in free verse. Black-and-white spot illustrations. (11–14)

- **League of Archers**  
  by Eva Howard  
  (Aladdin/Simon & Schuster, $16.99) 978-1-4814-6037-8  
  In a fresh take on the legend of Robin Hood, the young heroine faces the moral difficulty of doing violence for a just cause. (11–13)

- **Outrun the Moon**  
  by Stacey Lee  
  (G.P. Putnam’s Sons/Penguin Random House, $17.99) 978-0-399-17541-1  
  Mercy Wong aspires to be an entrepreneur in 1906 San Francisco, but when she faces sexism and xenophobia, deceit seems the only way forward. (12–14)
Historical Fiction, continued

**Poppy**
by Mary Hooper
(Bloomsbury Children's Books, $17.99)
978-1-61963-496-1
In 1914 Poppy, a housemaid for an aristocratic British family, volunteers for the nursing corps. An honest portrayal of life at the front and at home during World War I. Includes notes and bibliography. (12–15)

**Scar: A Revolutionary War Tale**
by J. Albert Mann
(Calkins Creek/Highlights, $16.95) 978-1-62979-465-5
A Native American boy and a crippled White 16-year-old serving on opposite sides of the Revolutionary War are both wounded and experience the horrors of warfare together. (11–14)

**To Stay Alive: Mary Ann Graves and the Tragic Journey of the Donner Party**
by Skila Brown
(Candlewick Press, $17.99) 978-0-7636-7811-1
In 1846 19-year-old Mary Ann and her Illinois family join a group bound for California, but they are tragically overtaken by snow and starvation 100 miles from their destination. Told in verse. (12–15)

Magical Realism

**The Lost & Found**
by Katrina Leno
(HarperTeen/HarperCollins, $17.99) 978-0-06-223120-8
Frannie, in Maryland, and Louis, in California, meet in an online trauma survivors group. Both have family mysteries to solve that converge in Austin, Texas. Should they join forces? (12–15)

**Trouble the Water**
by Frances O’Roark Dowell
(A Caitlyn Dlouhy Book/Atheneum BFYR/Simon & Schuster, $16.99) 978-1-4814-2463-9
In 1953 Kentucky, two 11-year-olds, an African American girl and a White boy, search for a lost dog’s owner together and encounter a ghost from the days of the Underground Railroad. (11–13)

Science Fiction

**Children of Exile**
by Margaret Peterson Haddix
(Simon & Schuster BFYR, $17.99) 978-1-4424-5003-5
All the foster children living in Fredtown are suddenly returned to their biological parents who, as 12-year-old Rosi discovers, are very different from what the children expected. (11–13)

**Once Was a Time**
by Leila Sales
(Chronicle Books, $16.99) 978-1-4521-4009-4
Traveling through time, Lottie discovers that no matter the time or place, friendship is hard, as is confronting who you are and being brave enough to follow your heart. (11–14)

**Outlaws of Time: The Legend of Sam Miracle**
by N. D. Wilson, illustrated by Forrest Dickison
(Katherine Tegen Books/HarperCollins, $16.99) 978-0-06-232726-0
In this first installment in a series, 12-year-old Sam endures having his arms replaced by snakes and facing enemy vultures and danger to his sister. Black-and-white drawings. (11–13)

**Time Traveling with a Hamster**
by Ross Welford
(Schwartz & Wade Books/Random House/PRH, $16.99) 978-0-399-55149-9
On Al Chaudhury’s 12th birthday, he receives a letter from his dead father with instructions on how to prevent the accident that killed him four years before. (12–15)
Today

**All Rise for the Honorable Perry T. Cook**
by Leslie Connor  
(Katherine Tegen Books/HarperCollins, $16.99)  
978-0-06-233346-9  
Eleven-year-old Perry has grown up happily in the prison where his mother is serving time. What will life on the outside be like when he is forced into foster care? (11–13)

**American Ace**
by Marilyn Nelson  
(Dial BFYR/Penguin YR/PRH, $17.99)  
978-0-8037-3305-3  
When Connor, 16, discovers that his biological grandfather was a Tuskegee Airman in World War II, he and his family must rethink who they are. A novel in verse. (12–15)

**The Bone Sparrow**
by Zana Fraillon  
(Disney-Hyperion Books, $16.99)  
978-1-4847-8151-7  
Nine-year-old Subhi’s imagination and his friendship with a girl on the outside help him endure the harsh conditions of a refugee detention center. (11–13)

**Child of Spring**
by Farhana Zia  
(Peachtree, $16.95)  
978-1-56145-904-9  
In India, a young servant to a rich family struggles with her circumstances as she plays with children even less advantaged than she is. (11–13)

**Falling Over Sideways**
by Jordan Sonnenblick  
(Scholastic Press, $17.99)  
978-0-545-86324-7  
Eighth grader Claire—dancer, sax player, and grade worrier—faces disaster when her father has a stroke. With humor and love, she survives. (11–14)

**The Geek’s Guide to Unrequited Love**
by Sarvenaz Tash  
(Simon & Schuster BFYR, $17.99)  
978-1-4814-5653-1  
Some Long Island teens, obsessed with geek culture, manage to make it to New York’s Comic-Con. Will neighbors Roxy and Graham transition from friendship into first love? (13–15)

**The Mystery of Hollow Places**
by Rebecca Podos  
(Balzer + Bray/HarperCollins, $17.99)  
978-0-06-237334-2  
Seventeen-year-old Imogene’s mother left years ago, now faces her father has disappeared. She is determined to find him. (12–14)

**OCDaniel**
by Wesley King  
(Paula Wiseman Books/Simon & Schuster, $16.99)  
978-1-4814-5531-2  
Daniel spends his time writing and hiding his odd habits. When a mute girl asks for help in solving her father’s disappearance, things change for both of them. (12–14)

**Riding Chance**
by Christine Kendall  
(Scholastic Press, $16.99)  
978-0-545-92404-7  
After Troy gets into trouble, a social worker places him in program working with horses, where he confronts a new and different set of challenges. (11–14)

**The Safest Lies**
by Megan Miranda  
(Crown BFYR/Random House/PRH, $17.99)  
978-0-553-53751-2  
Kelsey’s mother was kidnapped 17 years ago, escaped, and hasn’t left their house since. Now she disappears again, and Kelsey must uncover the truth about the past. (12–14)
Same but Different: Teen Life on the Autism Express
by Holly Robinson Peete, Ryan Elizabeth Peete, and RJ Peete
(Scholastic Press, $17.99) 978-0-545-09468-9
What is life like for teen-aged twins when one is autistic and the other isn’t? Based on the authors’ own experiences. (13–15)

Six Kids and a Stuffed Cat
by Gary Paulsen
(Simon & Schuster BFYR, $16.99) 978-1-4814-5223-6
Stuck in a bathroom together, six middle school boys who otherwise have little in common discover that a difficult situation can turn into a surprisingly good one. (11–13)

Soar
by Tracy Edward Wymer
(Aladdin/Simon & Schuster, $17.99) 978-1-4814-4711-9
Eddie is determined to finish first in the seventh-grade Science Symposium by proving that, although no one believed him, his dead father really sighted a giant golden eagle. (11–13)

Some Kind of Happiness
by Claire Legrand
(Simon & Schuster BFYR, $16.99) 978-1-4424-6601-2
Eleven-year-old Finley is surrounded by secrets and feels safest in her imaginary world, the Everwood. One summer with her grandparents will test the strength of that world, her family, and herself. (11–14)

Tell Me Something Real
by Calla Devlin
(Atheneum BFYR/ Simon & Schuster, $17.99) 978-1-4814-6115-3
Vanessa, the middle of three sisters, tells the story of her mother’s illness and tries to go on with her own life. (11–14)

Arts

Comics Confidential: Thirteen Graphic Novelists Talk Story, Craft, and Life outside the Box
compiled and edited by Leonard S. Marcus
(Candlewick Press, $24.99) 978-0-7636-5938-7
Popular graphic illustrators answer questions about their childhood and how they work. Each provides a self-portrait and a panel illustrating “the city.” Back matter. (12–15)

Biography and Memoir

Balcony on the Moon: Coming of Age in Palestine
by Ibtisam Barakat
(Farrar Straus Giroux BFYR/Macmillan, $17.99) 978-0-374-30251-1
Ibtisam, a young girl growing up in Palestine in the 1970s, dreams of becoming a writer. But how will she succeed amid the political turmoil? (12–14)

Being Jazz: My Life as a (Transgender) Teen
by Jazz Jennings
(Crown BFYR/Random House/PRH, $17.99) 978-0-399-55464-3
Jazz details her journey from preschool onward as she forges her own path after transitioning. Includes interviews with her family, photographs, and information about resources for children and adults. (12–15)

*Blood Brother: Jonathan Daniels and His Sacrifice for Civil Rights
by Rich Wallace and Sandra Neil Wallace
(Calkins Creek/Boyds Mills Press/Highlights, $18.95) 978-1-62979-094-7
The life and death of Jonathan Daniels, a white seminary student murdered in Alabama in 1965, comes alive with extensive photographs, sourced quotes, and bibliography. (11–14)
Biography and Memoir, continued

Florence Nightingale: The Courageous Life of theLegendary Nurse
by Catherine Reef
(Clarion Books/HMH, $18.99) 978-0-544-53580-0

Hillary Rodham Clinton: Do All the Good You Can
by Cynthia Levinson
(Balzer + Bray/HarperCollins, $16.99)
978-0-06-238730-1
This comprehensive account presents Clinton’s life fromgrade school student to first lady, senator, secretary ofstate and presidential candidate. Photographs, time line, bibliography, index, and notes. (11–13)

Irena’s Children: A True Story of Courage
by Tilar J. Mazzeo, adapted by Mary Cronk Farrell
Irena Sendler, working with the Polish resistance,repeatedly risked her life to smuggle hundreds of Jewishchildren out of the Warsaw Ghetto during World War II.Back matter. (Young Readers Edition) (12–15)

Life in Motion: An Unlikely Ballerina
by Misty Copeland, with Brandy Colbert
(Aladdin/Simon & Schuster, $17.99) 978-1-4814-7979-0
Late to start ballet, and black in an almost all whiteballet world, Copeland shares her journey and her loveof classical ballet. Photo essay insert. (Young ReadersEdition) (11–14)

*Sachiko: A Nagasaki Bomb Survivor’s Story
by Caren Stelson
(Carolrhoda Books/Lerner, $19.99) 978-1-4677-8903-5
Sachiko Yasui was six when the atomic bomb wasdropped on Nagasaki, Japan, in 1945. She survived, butit was many years before she could talk about theexperience. Archival photos and back matter. (11–14)

*Ten Days a Madwoman: The Daring Life andTurbulent Times of the Original “Girl” Reporter, NellieBly
by Deborah Noyes
(Viking/Penguin YR/PRH, $18.99) 978-0-8037-4017-4
In the 1900s Nellie Bly, a resourceful investigativereporter, risked her safety and became famous doingstunts to expose social injustice. Archival photographsand source material. (12–15)

History

*Brown v. Board of Education: A Fight for SimpleJustice
by Susan Goldman Rubin
(Holiday House, $18.95) 978-0-8234-3646-0
Lawyers and psychologists join forces in the legal battleto end school segregation—an ongoing struggle. Archivalphotographs and back matter. (12–15)

*Forgotten Bones: Uncovering a Slave Cemetery
by Lois Miner Huey
(Millbrook Press/Lerner, $30.65) 978-1-4677-3393-9
This account of the compelling discovery of a forgottenslave cemetery and the scientific examination of itsbones is accompanied by photographs and diagrams.(11–14)
**History, continued**

**Samurai Rising: The Epic Life of Minamoto Yoshitsune**
by Pamela S. Turner, illustrated by Gareth Hinds
(Charlesbridge, $16.95) 978-1-58089-584-2
In the violent world of 12th-century Japan, an exiled child grows up to become a legendary warrior. Notes, timelines, and black-and-white brush illustrations. (11–14) Mature Content

**Uprooted: The Japanese-American Experience during World War II**
by Albert Marrin
(Alfred A. Knopf/Random House/PRH, $17.99) 978-0-553-50936-6
Learn about early Japanese immigration to America and the forces that led to the internment of Japanese Americans during World War II. Archival photographs. (13–15)

**Vietnam: A History of the War**
by Russell Freedman
(Holiday House, $20.00) 978-0-8234-3658-3
A determined people waged a very long and bitter war for independence against the Japanese, the French, and the Americans. Photographs and back matter. (12–15)

**We Will Not Be Silent: The White Rose Student Resistance Movement That Defied Adolf Hitler**
by Russell Freedman
(Clarion Books/HMH, $17.99) 978-0-544-22379-0
During World War II, German students wrote leaflets and courageously faced death to defy Hitler’s totalitarian government. Archival photographs and back matter. (11–15)

**Bridge to the Wild: Behind the Scenes at the Zoo**
by Caitlin O’Connell, photographed by Caitlin O’Connell and Timothy Rodwell, illustrated by Migy Blanco.
(Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, $18.99) 978-0-544-27739-7
A behind-the-scenes look at Zoo Atlanta offers information about pandas, elephants, gorillas, and more. Extraordinary photographs and ink and Photoshopped illustrations. Sources, bibliography, index. (12–14)

**Bubonic Panic: When Plague Invaded America**
by Gail Jarrow
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