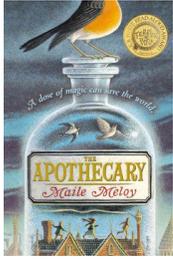


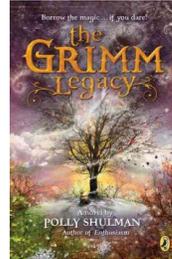
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## The Apothecary

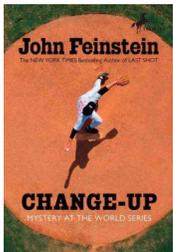
by Maile Meloy  
Meeting fearless Benjamin Burrows when she moves to London in 1952, 14-year-old Janie Scott helps Benjamin on a quest to rescue his kidnapped father while protecting a sacred apothecary tome from dangerous Russian spies. A first children's novel by

the award-winning author of A Family Daughter.



## The Grimm Legacy

by Polly Shulman  
After high school student Elizabeth, working as a page, gains access to the Grimm Collection of magical objects, she and the other pages are drawn into a series of frightening adventures involving mythical creatures and stolen goods.



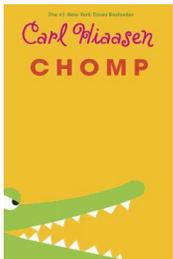
## Change-up : Mystery at the World Series

by John Feinstein  
While covering baseball's World Series, teenage sports reporters Stevie and Susan Carol investigate a rookie pitcher whose evasive answers during an interview reveal more than a few contradictions in his life story.



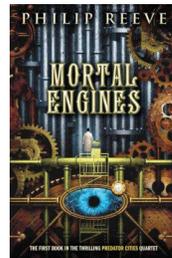
## Popular Clone

by M. E. Castle  
Tormented by bullies in school for his smaller size, 12-year-old Fisher Bas, the brainy son of Nobel Prize-winning parents, experiments with his mother's Advanced Growth Hormone to clone himself so that he can stay home while his double attends school, a plan that backfires when his clone proves unexpectedly popular.



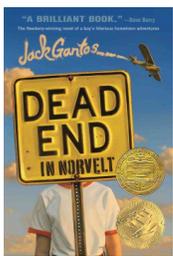
## Chomp

by Carl Hiaasen  
Spending his days in a zoo beside his volatile animal wrangler father, Wahoo Cray struggles to control his father's temper when the latter takes a job with an egocentric reality nature show host.



## Mortal Engines

by Philip Reeve  
In the distant future, when cities move about and consume smaller towns, a fifteen-year-old apprentice is pushed out of London by the man he most admires and must seek answers in the perilous Out-Country, aided by one girl and the memory of another.



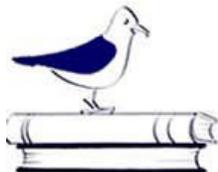
## Dead end in Norvelt

by Jack Gantos  
In the historic town of Norvelt, Pennsylvania, Jack Gantos spends the summer of 1962 grounded for various offenses until he is assigned to help an elderly neighbor with a most unusual chore.



## Ungifted

by Gordon Korman  
Due to an administrative mix-up, troublemaker Donovan Curtis is sent to the Academy of Scholastic Distinction, a special program for gifted and talented students, after pulling a major prank at middle school.



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