**Bad Best Friend**  
by Rachel Vail  
JF Vail  
Devastated when her former best friend ditches her for a more popular crowd, eighth-grader Niki Ames finds her efforts to pursue other friendships and interests complicated by her mother’s refusal to believe that Niki’s brother is on the autism spectrum.

**Other Words for Home**  
by Jasmine Warga  
JF Warga  
Sent with her mother to the safety of a relative’s home in Cincinnati when her Syrian community is overshadowed by violence, Jude worries for the beloved family members who were left behind and forges a new sense of identity.

**The Lady Rogue**  
by Jenn Bennett  
YF Bennett  
A teen joins forces with her crush in a quest in the Carpathian Mountains to hunt down Vlad the Impaler’s cursed ring in order to save her treasure-hunter father.

**It's the End of the World As I Know It**  
by Matthew Landis  
YF Landis  
Derrick is building a doomsday shelter to prepare for the apocalypse when he makes friends with Misty, the girl next door.

**Tweet Cute**  
by Emma Lord  
YF Lord  
A reimagining of You’ve Got Mail follows the unlikely romance between an overachiever from a successful family and the class clown, who exchange snarky tweets that escalate into a viral Twitter war.

**The Twin**  
by Natasha Preston  
YF Preston  
Raised in her father’s home apart from her mother and twin after her parents’ divorce, Ivy reunites with her sister in the wake of a tragedy before discovering harrowing truths about her twin’s possible role in their mother’s death.

**The Tiger at Midnight**  
by Swati Teerdhala  
YF Teerdhala  
A first entry in a planned trilogy inspired by South Indian culture follows the efforts of a legendary girl rebel to assassinate a ruthless general in the face of her growing love for her target’s loyal but freedom-seeking nephew.

**The Starlight Claim**  
by Tim Wynne-Jones  
YF Wynne-Jones  
Haunted by nightmares after the disappearance of his best friend, Nate is chased from his home by three escaped prisoners before finding his survival skills tested by a blizzard in the frigid wilderness and devastating family secrets.
The Undrowned
by K.R. Alexander
Samantha and Rachel used to be friends. But then Rachel betrayed Samantha, and Samantha decided to make her life a living nightmare. Rachel saw her die, but now she’s back.

My Life as a Potato
by Arianne Costner
Believing himself to be cursed by potatoes, Ben moves to a potato-laden community in Idaho, where an accident leads him to become his school’s secret potato mascot.

The Body Under the Piano
by Marthe Jocelyn
A middle grade mystery series inspired by the childhood of Agatha Christie follows the experiences of young Aggie Morton of 1902 England, who fatefuly crosses paths with a 12-year-old Belgian immigrant at the same time they stumble into a murder scene.

Show Me a Sign
by Ann Clare LeZotte
Inspired by the true history of a thriving 19th-century Deaf community on Martha’s Vineyard is the story of a girl whose proud lineage is threatened by land disputes with the Wampanoag and a ruthlessly ambitious scientist.

Worse Than Weird
by Jody J. Little
A story of a citywide scavenger hunt and a girl who learns that family—and weirdness—is relative.

Homerooms & Hall Passes
by Tom O’Donnell
Five young adventurers from a fantasy role-playing game transport into the human world, where they tackle the unexpected challenges of surviving middle school.

The Dragon Egg Princess
by Ellen Oh
A magicless boy, a fierce bandit leader, and a lost princess must join forces to save their worlds from foreign forces and a long-forgotten evil that lurks in an ancient magical forest.

Bloom
by Kenneth Oppel
When the world is overtaken by monster alien plants that emit toxic pollens and swallow up people, three kids on a remote island look for clues in their unusual allergies to understand their immunity to the invaders.

The Lonely Heart of Maybelle Lane
by Kate O’Shaughnessy
11-year-old Maybelle becomes convinced that a new radio DJ is her absent father before entering a singing contest that the DJ will be judging in Nashville.

Prairie Lotus
by Linda Sue Park
A young half-Asian girl arriving in 1880s America struggles to adjust to new surroundings while navigating the almost unanimous prejudice of the townspeople in her heartland community.

Pay Attention, Carter Jones
by Gary D Schmidt
When a mysterious English butler appears one morning and stays to help his troubled family, young Carter struggles to navigate middle school under the watch of the resented newcomer, who promotes challenging notions of decorum.

Clean Getaway
by Nic Stone
An 11-year-old boy confronts the realities of race relations past and present and the mysterious agenda of his unconventional grandmother during an unplanned spring break road trip through the once-segregated American South.