

Mystery Books

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From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler by E.L. Konigsburg

J Award Book (Children's)

Claudia and her brother Jamie run away from home and take up residence in the Metropolitan Museum of Art.



The Westing Game by Ellen Raskin

Young Adult

Sixteen game players, heirs to Sam Westing's fabulous fortune, are all suspected of his murder. This book is part mystery story, part play-along game, and part do-it-yourself puzzle.



The Invention of Hugo Cabret by Brian Selznick

J Advance Fiction

When twelve-year-old Hugo, an orphan living and repairing clocks within the walls of a Paris train station in 1931, meets a mysterious toyseller and his goddaughter, his undercover life and his biggest secret are jeopardized.



The Indian in the Cupboard by Lynne Reid Banks

Young Adult

A young boy discovers that his magic cupboard and key can turn toys into live people and animals.



The Case of the Missing Marquess by Nancy Springer

Young Adult

Enola Holmes, much younger sister of detective Sherlock Holmes, must travel to London in disguise to unravel the disappearance of her missing mother.



The Mystery of the Third Lucretia by Susan Runholt

Young Adult

While traveling in London, Paris, and Amsterdam, fourteen-year-old best friends Kari and Lucas solve an international art forgery mystery.



Chasing Vermeer by Blue Balliett

YA Award

When seemingly unrelated and strange events start to happen and a precious Vermeer painting disappears, eleven-year-olds Petra and Calder combine their talents to solve an international art scandal.



Kaleidoscope Eyes by Jen Bryant

Young Adult

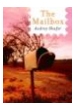
In 1968, with the Vietnam War raging, thirteen-year-old Lyza inherits a project from her deceased grandfather, who had been using his knowledge of maps and the geography of Lyza's New Jersey hometown to locate the lost treasure of Captain Kidd.



Harriet the Spy by Louise Fitzhugh

J Advance Fiction

Harriet's notebook of her feelings about classmates and neighbors is found by her classmates.



The Mailbox by Audrey Shafer

YA Award

When twelve-year-old Gabe tries to hide his uncle's death from the local authorities, he is not prepared for what happens when this secret is



Midnight Magic by Avi

Young Adult

In the Kingdom of Pergamontio in 1491, Mangus the Magician and his apprentice are summoned to the castle of King Claudio to determine if his daughter is indeed being haunted by a ghost.

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When You Reach Me by Rebecca Stead

Young Adult

As her mother prepares to be a contestant on the 1980s TV show THE \$20,000 PYRAMID, a twelve-year-old New York City girl tries to make sense of a series of mysterious notes received from an anonymous source that seems to defy the laws of time and space.



Eye of the Crow by Shane Peacock

Young Adult

In 1867, Sherlock Holmes, an impoverished young outcast with a Jewish father and a highborn mother, visits the scene of a woman's brutal murder, where he meets a wrongly accused young Arab and later becomes a suspect himself.



The Man With the Red Bag by Eve Bunting

Young Adult

In the months following the 9/11 terrorist attacks, twelve-year-old Kevin, an aspiring mystery writer traveling with his grandmother on a trip to various national parks and monuments, suspects a sinister-looking man in his tour group of carrying a bomb.



WANTED...Mud Blossom by Betsy Byars

Young Adult

Convinced that Mud is responsible for the disappearance of the school hamster that he was taking care of for the weekend, Junior Blossom is determined that the dog should be tried for his "crime."



Steinbeck's Ghost by Lewis Buzbee

Young Adult

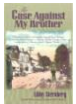
Thirteen-year-old Travis returns to his old Salinas neighborhood and becomes actively involved in saving the John Steinbeck Library and, at the same time, begins seeing characters from Steinbeck's books who seem to have a message for him.



Locked in Time by Lois Duncan

Young Adult

Nore arrives at her stepmother's Louisiana plantation to find her new family odd and an aura of evil and mystery about the place.



The Case Against My Brother by Libby Sternberg

Young Adult

In 1922 Oregon at the height of the anti-immigrant, anti-Catholic referendum, fifteen-year-old Carl, a Polish Catholic, struggles against racism from the Ku Klux Klan to clear his brother's name and solve the mystery of the theft of expensive jewels.



Lily Dale: Awakening by Wendy Corsi Staub

Young Adult

When seventeen-year-old Calla's mother suddenly dies, Calla goes to stay with her psychic grandmother in Lily Dale, a spiritualist community in western New York, where she discovers some disconcerting secrets about her practical, down-to-earth mother.



Mystery Box by Gordon McAlpine

Young Adult

In this novel of Paris in the 1920s, Carolyn Keene and Frank Dixon (pseudonymous authors of Nancy Drew and the Hardy Boys) are imagined solving mysteries among famous expatriate writers of the era.



The Reformed Vampire Support Group by Catherine Jinks

Young Adult

15 yr-old vampire Nina has been stuck for 51 years in a boring support group for vampires, and nothing exciting has ever happened to them, until one of them is murdered and the others must try to solve the crime.