

Genre: Science Fiction

Bibliography

This kit contains a wide variety of individual titles that fit the genre category of “Science Fiction.” The titles vary in their interest levels, reading levels, number of pages, themes etc., in order to provide students with “choice” in their reading for pleasure. Note that if more than one interest level (IL) is listed, the first is from the publisher. Publishers tend to rate titles for lower grade levels than reviewers.

If you would like a second or third copy of a title, or more titles beyond what is in the kit, your Teacher-Librarian or Library Clerk will be able to help you find titles in your school’s collection, or interlibrary loan copies from other schools.

We hope that your students enjoy these titles and expand the genres that they regularly choose to read. A “Passport to Genres” activity, where students read one title from each genre, is one way to encourage this. If you have any questions about any of them, please feel free to contact me.

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Selected by Joan Pearce



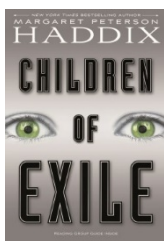
Ace Takes Flight (*B.E.S.T. World Trilogy, Book 1*)
by Cory McCarthy, c2021 (IL: 3-7, 4-6; RL: 4.9)

“Welcome to 2048. Every graduate of the B.E.S.T. Program can receive a bionic enhancement as a rite of passage in this inclusive tween series. For Ace Wells, it is just the beginning of his epic augmentation journey in book one of this near-future sci-fi trilogy. Eleven-year-old Ace Wells's dream has finally come true: he is a new cadet in the B.E.S.T. (Biological Enhancement Systems Technology) Program. Until now, he's been living in the shadow of his superstar brother, Finn--but not for long. This is new Ace! He knows he can make his mark on the world with SuperSoar wings, but on day one, nothing goes as planned. The antagonistic elevator AI Otis wants to eat his belongings, the physical feats set by his tough-nut coach are impossible, and his celebrity roommates are far from welcoming. It becomes crystal clear that Ace is not prepared to fly--in any sense of the word.” - *Pub.*



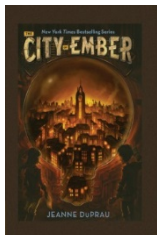
Ben Archer and the Cosmic Fall
by Rae Knightly, c2018 (IL: Middle School; RL: 6.0)

"When UFOs crash near a peaceful town, the media are led to believe it was fallen meteors. Government agents rush in to cover up the event dubbed the Cosmic Fall. But they weren't counting on Ben Archer being a witness. Nor were they expecting a lone survivor of the crash: an alien man called Mesmo." - *Pub.*




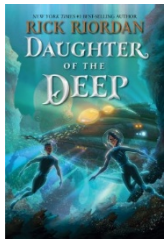

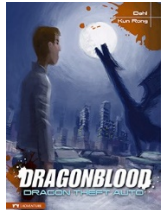
Children of Exile (*Children of Exile, Book 1*)
by Margaret Peterson Haddix, c2017 (IL: 5-8, 4-8; RL: 4.9)

“A twelve-year-old girl raised in a foster village is returned to her biological parents, and discovers home is not what she expected it to be.” - *Follett*



The City of Ember (*The City of Ember, Book 1*)
by Jeanne DePrau, c2016 (IL: 4-7; RL: 5.0)

“Previously published in the Book of Ember series. In the city of Ember, twelve-year-old Lina trades jobs on Assignment Day to be a Messenger to

	<p>run to new places in her decaying but beloved city, perhaps even to glimpse Unknown Regions.” - <i>Follett</i></p>
	<p><u>Cleo Porter and the Body Electric</u> by Jake Burt, c2020 (IL: 4-6; RL: 5.6)</p> <p>“Like everyone else, twelve-year-old Cleo and her parents are sealed in an apartment without windows or doors. They never leave. They never get visitors. Their food is dropped by drones. So they're safe from the disease that nearly wiped humans from the earth. Safe from everything. The trade-off? They're alone. Thus, when they receive a package clearly meant for someone else--a package containing a substance critical for a stranger's survival--Cleo is stuck. As a surgeon-in training, she knows the clock is ticking. But people don't leave their units. Not ever. Until now...” - <i>Pub.</i></p>
	<p><u>Daughter of the Deep</u> by Rick Riordan, c2021 (IL: 5-9, 6+; RL: 6.5)</p> <p>"Ana Dakkar, a freshman at Harding-Pencroft Academy, a five-year high school that graduates the best marine scientists, naval warriors, navigators, and underwater explorers in the world, makes astounding discoveries about her heritage and puts her leadership skills to the test against deadly enemies from a rival school.” - <i>Pub.</i></p>
	<p><u>Dragonblood: Dragon In the Desert</u> (<i>Capstone Dragonblood Hi Lo</i>) by Michael Dahl, c2009 (IL: 5-8, RL: 2.1) *Sci fi in the sense it is a “future world.”</p> <p>“Two teenage friends hike into the deserts of Mongolia. Their destination: the Hills of the Seven Dragons. But they are not alone. A third figure walks through the desert, following their footprints.” – <i>Pub.</i></p>
	<p><u>Dragonblood: Dragon Theft Auto</u> (<i>Capstone Dragonblood Hi Lo</i>) by Michael Dahl, c2009 (IL: 5-8, RL: 2.4)</p> <p>“Sixteen-year old Henry travels to a strange city in search of his missing friend. Someone, or something, in the city is stealing cars. Is the missing boy mixed up with the crime? Henry thinks something bigger is behind the thefts. Something with wings.” – <i>Pub.</i></p>



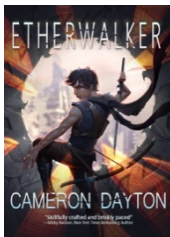
Dragon Pearl (*Thousand Worlds, Book 1*)
by Yoon Ha Lee, c2020 (IL: 4-7, 4-6; RL: 7.0)

“Min, a thirteen-year-old girl with fox-magic, stows away on a battle cruiser and impersonates a cadet in order to solve the mystery of what happened to her older brother in the Thousand World Space Forces.” - *Pub.*



Eager
by Helen Fox, c2004 (IL: 3-7; RL: 5.5)

“In late-twenty-first-century England, the Bell family, looking to replace their malfunctioning robot, buys Eager, who is programmed to learn through trial and error like humans and who, with the Bell children, comes to see that something is not right with the BDC4s, a sleek, alarmingly clever line of robots the Bells could not afford.” - *Pub.*



Etherwalker
by Cameron Dayton, c2021 (IL: Middle School; RL: 6.2)

“Enoch sees things differently than the other youth in Rewn's Fork, and that makes him an outcast. When he accidentally awakens a powerful Artificial Intelligence, he discovers the truth behind his peculiarity--Enoch is an Etherwalker, the last in a long line of powerful technopaths who can control machines with their minds. Without knowing it, he has triggered the ancient Hunt, and now legendary monsters are hungry for his blood and bent on his extinction. They know he has seen the truth behind the broken world, and, if he survives...” - *Amazon.ca*





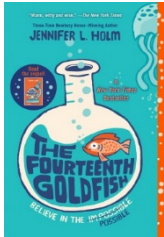
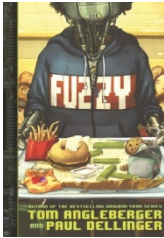
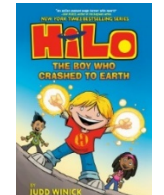
Finn and the Intergalactic Lunchbox (*Finnverse, Book 1*)
by Michael Buckley, c2021 (IL: 3-5, 4-7; RL: 4.6)

“When Earth is threatened by an invading race of bugs called the Plague, 11-year-old Finn, his arch-nemesis, Lincoln, his crush, Julep, and one pink unicorn lunchbox become Earth's last best hope against destruction.” - *Pub.*



The Firefly Code
by Megan Frazer Blakemore, c2017 (IL: 3-6, 4-6; RL: 4.6)

“Mori and her friends live a normal life on Firefly Lane in Old Harmonie, a utopian community where every kid knows he or she is genetically engineered to be better and smarter, but when a strangely perfect new girl

	<p>named Ilana moves in, the friends begin to question the only world they have ever known.” - <i>Follett</i></p>
	<p><u>The Flinkwater Factor: A Novel in Five Thrilling Episodes</u> (<i>Flinkwater Chronicles, Book 1</i>) by Pete Hautman, c2016 (IL: 3-6, 4-7; RL: 5.1)</p> <p>“Thirteen-year-old Ginger investigates a series of weird events taking place in her home town of Flinkwater, Iowa, beginning with people falling into comas while using their computers.” - <i>Pub.</i></p>
	<p><u>Found</u> (<i>Missing, Book 1</i>) by Margaret Peterson Haddix, c2008 (IL: 4-7, 4-8; RL: 5.0)</p> <p>“When thirteen-year-olds Jonah and Chip, who are both adopted, learn they were discovered on a plane that appeared out of nowhere, full of babies with no adults on board, they realize that they have uncovered a mystery involving time travel and two opposing forces, each trying to repair the fabric of time.” - <i>Follett</i></p>
	<p><u>The Fourteenth Goldfish</u> by Jennifer Holm, c2016 (IL: 4-6, 5-7; RL: 4.1)</p> <p>“Includes bibliographical references (page 195). Ellie's scientist grandfather has discovered a way to reverse aging, and consequently has turned into a teenager--which makes for complicated relationships when he moves in with Ellie and her mother, his daughter.” - <i>Follett</i></p>
	<p><u>Fuzzy</u> by Tom Angleberger, c2018 (IL: 4-7, 5-8; RL: 3.3)</p> <p>“When Max (Maxine Zealster) befriends her new robot classmate Fuzzy, she helps him navigate Vanguard Middle School and together they reveal the truth behind the Robot Integration Program.” – <i>Follett</i></p>
	<p><u>Hilo, The Boy Who Crashed to Earth</u> (<i>Hilo, Book 1</i>) by Judd Winick, c2015 (IL: 2-5; RL: 2.3)</p> <p>“When a mysterious boy falls from the sky, friends D.J. and Gina must discover the secrets of his identity and help him save the world.” - <i>Pub.</i></p>



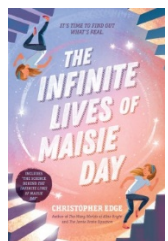
Home Planet (*Red Rhino Hi Lo*)
by Vicki C. Hayes, c? (IL: 4-7, RL: 1.0-1.5)

“Sam was born on the moon. He lives on a moon base with his parents. He's never been to Earth. But there's a school break, and his aunt invites him to stay with her family. Sam is excited. He will get to spend time with his cousin, Linn. She will show him around. His parents know he will love his home planet.” – *Pub.*



In the Red
by Christopher Swiedler, c2021 (IL: 4-7, 5-7; RL: 5.3)

“Michael Prasad knows he shouldn't go out on the Mars surface alone. It's dangerous. His parents have forbidden it. And the anxiety he feels almost every time he puts on a spacesuit makes it nearly impossible for him to leave the safety of the colony. But when his best friend, Lilith, suggests they sneak out one night, he can't resist the chance to prove everyone--including himself--wrong. As the two ride along the Mars surface in a stolen rover, miles from the colony, a massive solar flare hits the planet, knocking out power, communication, and navigation systems, and the magnetic field that protects the planet from the sun's deadly radiation. Stranded hours from home with an already limited supply of food, water, and air, Michael and Lilith must risk everything if they're to get back to the colony alive.” – *OCLC*



Infinite Lives of Maisie Day
by Christopher Edge, c2019 (IL: 4-8, RL: 6.2)

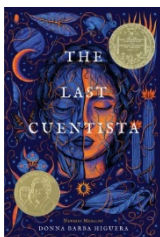
“As in Madeleine L'Engle's *A Wrinkle in Time*, math and science inform this mind-bending mystery about a girl who must work with the laws of the universe and trust the love of her family if she is to set her world right. It's the morning of Maisie's tenth birthday, and she can't wait to open her presents. Maisie is not a typical kid. What she wants most for her birthday are the things she needs to build her own nuclear reactor. But she wakes to an empty house, and outside the front door is nothing but an unsettling, all-consuming blackness--a shifted reality. Even for super-smart Maisie, these puzzling circumstances seem out of her control . . . or are they?” – *Pub.*



Jinxed (*Jinxed, Book 1*)

by Amy McCulloch, c2021 (IL: 3-7, 4-7; RL: 6.6)

“After fourteen-year-old Lacey Chu repairs a highly advanced smartphone/robotic pet companion, or baku, called Jinx, the baku gets her into her dream school, Profectus, where she is exposed to dangerous secrets.” - *Follett*



The Last Cuentista

by Donna Barba Higuera, c2021 (IL: 5-8, 5-9; RL: 6.0)

“A girl named Petra Pena, who wanted nothing more than to be a storyteller, like her abuelita. But Petra's world is ending. Earth has been destroyed by a comet, and only a few hundred scientists and their children - among them Petra and her family - have been chosen to journey to a new planet. They are the ones who must carry on the human race. Hundreds of years later, Petra wakes to this new planet - and the discovery that she is the only person who remembers Earth. A sinister Collective has taken over the ship during its journey, bent on erasing the sins of humanity's past. They have systematically purged the memories of all aboard - or purged them altogether. Petra alone now carries the stories of our past, and with them, any hope for our future. Can she make them live again?” - *Pub.*



Last Day on Mars (*Chronicle of the Dark Star, Book 1*)

by Kevin Emerson, c2018 (IL: 4-7, 4-8; RL: 5.2)




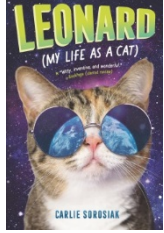
“While waiting to leave Mars before it burns up just like the Earth before it, Liam and his friend Phoebe discover some facts about time and space and realize that the human race is just one of the races trying to survive in space.” - *Pub.*



Last Gamer Standing

by Katie Zhao, c2021 (IL: 4-7; RL: 6.0)

“In twelve-year-old Reyna Cheng's world, gaming is everything. Professional esports teams are the mainstream celebrities. Kids begin training from a young age, aspiring for the big leagues. Reyna is the up-and-coming junior amateur Dayhold gamer, competing in a VR battle royale against AI monsters and human players. But despite Reyna's rising popularity and skills, no one knows who she is. Gaming is still a boys' club and to protect herself against trolls and their harassment, she games the mysterious The

	<p>RuiNar. When Reyna qualifies for the Dayhold Junior Tournament, she knows she's got what it takes to win the championship title and the \$10,000 prize. It's a chance to make a step forward towards her professional esports dreams and to help her family with the costs of her mother's hospital bills. But when she's blackmailed and threatened to be doxed by an anonymous troll, Reyna has to confront the toxic gaming community head-on." - Pub.</p>
	<p><u>Last Gate of the Emperor</u> (<i>Last Gate of the Emperor, Book 1</i>) by Kwame Mbalia, c2021 (IL: 4-7, 5-8; RL: 5.0)</p> <p>“Enduring an isolated existence in hardscrabble Addis Prime, a star underground augmented reality gamer finds his small family targeted by city-razing monsters waging a galaxy-spanning war.” - Follett</p>
	<p><u>The Last Human</u> by Lee Bacon, c2021 (IL: 4-6, 4-7; RL: 4.4)</p> <p>“After machines take control of Earth, following the extinction of humans, twelve-year-old robot XR 935A confronts its prejudices about humans and begins to reconsider its own existence within robot society after discovering and befriending a twelve-year-old human girl.” - Follett</p>
	<p><u>The Last Last-Day-of-Summer</u> (<i>Legendary Alston Boys Adventure, Book 1</i>) by L.R. Giles, c2019 (IL: 3-7, 4-7; RL: 5.2)</p> <p>“When adventurous cousins Otto and Sheed Alston accidentally extend the last day of summer by freezing time, they find the secrets between the unmoving seconds are not as much fun as they expected.” - Follett</p>
	<p><u>Leonard (My Life as a Cat)</u> by Charlie Sorosiak, c2020 (IL: 4-6, 4-7; RL: 7.2)</p> <p>“The cat that Olive rescues from a flood has a secret: he's not really a cat at all, but an alien who crashed to Earth. The cat, whom Olive names Leonard, was prepared to visit the planet as a human; but something went wrong. While Olive worries about whether she will have to move after her mom and her new boyfriend get back from their summer vacation, Leonard tries to figure out how to get from South Carolina to Yellowstone National Park, because if he's not there at the end of the month, he'll miss his ride home.” - Pub.</p>



Lex Luthor and the Kryptonite Caverns (*Super DC Villains*)

By J. E. Bright, c2012 (IL: 4-6, RL: 6.5)

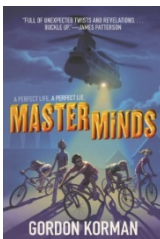
“Deep below a Southwestern desert, wealthy mogul and super-villain LEX LUTHOR constructs a top-secret device to destroy his top enemy, SUPERMAN. Unfortunately, radiation from the KRYPTONITE-powered weapon has leaked into the surrounding soils and turned scorpions, snakes, and other arid animals into super species to stop the fearsome fallout, the MAN OF STEEL must travel into the kryptonite caverns, face his worst enemy, and overcome his greatest weakness.” – *Pub.*



The Lion of Mars

by Jennifer L. Holm, c2021 (IL: 4-6, 3-7; RL: 4.0)

“Bell has spent his whole life--all eleven years of it--on Mars. But he's still just a regular kid--he loves cats, any kind of cake, and is curious about the secrets the adults in the US colony are keeping. Like, why don't have contact with anyone on the other Mars colonies? Why are they so isolated? When a virus breaks out and the grown-ups all fall ill, Bell and the other children are the only ones who can help. It's up to Bell--a regular kid in a very different world--to uncover the truth and save his family--and possibly unite an entire planet.” - *Pub.*



Masterminds (*Masterminds, Book 1*)

by Gordon Korman, c2016 (IL: 4-7, 4-8; RL: 5.2)

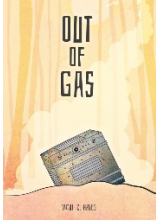


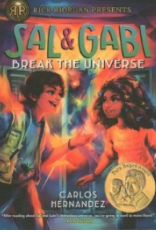
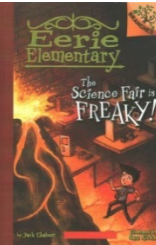
“A group of kids discovers they were cloned from the DNA of some of the greatest criminal masterminds in history for a sociological experiment.” - *Pub.*



Moongarden (*Plotting the Stars, Book 1*)

by Michelle Barry, c2022 (IL: 5-8)

“Crumbling under the pressure at her elite school on the moon, misfit Myra Hodger discovers a lab full of toxic plants and uses her botanical magic to weed out its secrets, but quickly discovers some will do anything to take those secrets to the grave.” – *Follett*

	<p><u>Out of Gas</u> (<i>Red Rhino Hi Lo</i>) by Vicki C. Hayes, c? (IL: 4-7, RL: 1.0-1.5)</p> <p>“Trey can’t play soccer unless he comes up with a project for the science fair. When he and his dog Max go for a walk in the woods to think, they meet some unlikely new friends with a big problem of their own—their spaceship is broken, and they aren’t sure how to fix it. Finding a solution isn’t easy, but it might give Trey the project idea that he needs.” – <i>Pub.</i></p>
	<p><u>Randoms</u> (<i>Randoms, Book 1</i>) by David Liss, c2015 (IL: 5-8; RL: 6.0)</p> <p>“A twelve-year-old boy is chosen to join a four-person applicant team to work towards membership in the Confederation of United Planets, and stumbles across conspiracies resembling science fiction he's been a fan of his entire life.” - <i>Pub.</i></p>
	<p><u>A Rover’s Story</u> by Jasmine Warga, c2022 (IL: 3-5, 4-6, 3-7; RL: 6.1)</p> <p>“Built to explore Mars, Resilience begins to develop human-like feelings as he learns from the NASA scientists who assembled him, and as he blasts off and explores Mars, Resilience must overcome different obstacles as he explores the red planet.” - <i>Follett</i></p>
	<p><u>Sal & Gabi Break the Universe</u> (<i>Sal & Gabi, Book 1</i>) by Carlos Alberto Hernandez, c2020 (IL: 4-7, 4-7; RL: 4.8)</p> <p>“In order to heal after his mother's death, thirteen-year-old Sal learns to reach into time and space to retrieve things--and people--from other universes.” - <i>Pub.</i></p>
	<p><u>The Science Fair is Freaky!</u> (<i>Eerie Elementary Hi Lo</i>) by Jack Chabert, c2016 (IL: 2-4, RL: 2-3)</p> <p>“Eerie Elementary is having a science fair! Sam, Antonio, and Lucy are hard at work in the library when they find a strange book. Suddenly, the school comes alive! The ground shakes, science projects explode, and the gym turns into a giant volcano! How will Sam and his friends fight hot lava! And what is hidden in that old book?” – <i>back cover</i></p>



The Secret Deep

by Lindsay Galvin, c2020 (IL: 4-7; RL: 4.2)

“Awakening stranded on a tropical island with no memory of what happened, Aster investigates a secret underwater world to find her missing sister, while Sam connects their disappearance to suspicious events in his own life.” - *OCLC*



Self-Driving Nightmare (Red Rhino Hi Lo)

by Vicki C. Hayes, c2015 (IL: 4-7, RL: 1.0-1.5)

“Joey Tran and his best friend, Max, love technology. When Joey’s dad comes home with a car that safely drives itself, they are thrilled and amazed. Their friends from school want to take a ride. This leads to a very unexpected adventure.” – *Pub.*



Seventh Grade vs the Galaxy

by Joshua Levy, c2019 (IL: 4-7; RL; 4.7)

“Seventh-grader Jack and his classmates find themselves in hostile alien territory after Jack accidentally launches their rickety public schoolship light years away from home.” – *Follett*



Shuri (Shuri: A Black Panther Novel, Book 1)

by Nic Stone, c2020 (IL: 4-7; RL: 4.7)

“Shuri is a skilled martial artist, a genius, and a master of science and technology. But, she's also a teenager. And a princess. This story follows Shuri as she sets out on a quest to save her homeland of Wakanda. For centuries, the Chieftain of Wakanda (the Black Panther) has gained his powers through the juices of the Heart-Shaped Herb. Much like Vibranium, the Heart-Shaped Herb is essential to the survival and prosperity of Wakanda. But something is wrong. The plants are dying. No matter what the people of Wakanda do, they can't save them. And their supply is running short. It's up to Shuri to travel from Wakanda in order to discover what is killing the Herb, and how she can save it, in the first volume of this all-new, original adventure.” - *Pub.*



Space Case

by Stuart Gibbs, c2015 (IL: 4-6, 5-8; RL: 5.3)

“Like his fellow lunarnauts--otherwise known as Moonies--living on Moon Base Alpha, twelve-year-old Dashiell Gibson is famous the world over for being one of the first humans to live on the moon.

And he's bored out of his mind. Kids aren't allowed on the lunar surface, meaning they're trapped inside the tiny moon base with next to nothing to occupy their time--and the only other kid Dash's age spends all his time hooked into virtual reality games.

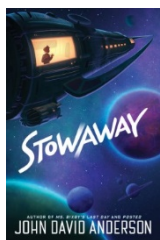
Then Moon Base Alpha's top scientist turns up dead. Dash senses there's foul play afoot, but no one believes him. Everyone agrees Dr. Holtz went onto the lunar surface without his helmet properly affixed, simple as that. But Dr. Holtz was on the verge of an important new discovery, Dash finds out, and it's a secret that could change everything for the Moonies--a secret someone just might kill to keep...” - *Pub.*



Space Trip (Red Rhino Hi Lo)

by Vicki C. Hayes, c2015 (IL: 4-7, RL: 1.0-1.5)





“Mr. Flinn does his best to keep his students in line, but they still never seem to get along. One day, after a particularly embarrassing field trip to another planet, their space bus breaks down and Mr. Flinn is knocked unconscious. The day could not get any worse. Then a secret about one of the students is discovered, and the kids realize they're in much greater danger than they first thought. Without their teacher to keep the peace, they must figure out how to work together in order to survive.” - *pub.*



Stowaway (Icarus Chronicles, Book 1)

by John David Anderson, c2021 (IL: 4-7; RL: 6.8)

“When scientists discover a rare and mysterious mineral buried in the Earth's crust, they have no idea that it just happens to be the most valuable substance in the entire universe. It's not long before aliens show up . . . offering a promise of protection, some fabulous new technology, and entry into their intergalactic coalition--all in exchange for this precious resource. A material so precious that other alien forces are willing to start a war over it. A war that soon makes its way to Earth. . . . His mother was killed in one such attack, and soon after, his father, a Coalition scientist, decides it would be best for them to leave Earth behind. It's on this expedition that their ship is attacked, Leo's father is kidnapped, and Leo and his brother are stranded in the middle of space. The only chance they have is for Leo to stow away

	<p>on a strange ship of mercenary space pirates bound for who knows where and beg the captain to help him find his father. But the road is dangerous, and pirates, of course, only look out for themselves. Leo must decide who to trust as he tries to stay alive and save his family, even as he comes to understand that there aren't many people--human or alien--that he can count on in this brave new universe." - <i>Pub</i>.</p>
	<p><u>The Strangers</u> by Margaret Peterson Haddix, c2020 (IL: 4-7, 5-8; RL: 5.1)</p> <p>“Told from separate viewpoints, Chess, Emma, and Finn Greystone, ages twelve, ten, and eight, investigate why their mother went missing and uncover their ties to an alternate world.” - <i>Follett</i></p>
	<p><u>Trouble in the Stars</u> (<i>Trouble, Book 1</i>) by Sarah Prineas, c2021 (IL: 4-7, 4-8; RL: 5.9)</p> <p>“A chase across the galaxy ensues when a troublesome little shape-shifter runs from the law, with safety, freedom, and home at stake.” - <i>Follett</i></p>
	<p><u>The Unexplainable Disappearance of Mars Patel</u> (<i>Mars Patel, Book 1</i>) by Sheela Chari, c2021 (IL: 3-7; RL: 4.8)</p> <p>“When Mars Patel's friend Aurora goes missing, he and the rest of his detention crew band together to find her. But a talent for practical jokes and avoiding their school's numerous surveillance cameras will only take the friends so far. Kids all over the world are going missing, and it soon becomes clear that that the disappearances have something to do with Pruitt Prep, the elite school created by tech billionaire Oliver Pruitt, who happens to be the most powerful man in the world, and Mar's idol.” - <i>Pub</i>.</p>
	<p><u>We're Not From Here</u> by Geoff Rodkey, c2020 (IL: 4-7, 5-8; RL: 5.0)</p> <p>“After a year on Mars, a young boy and his family migrate to the planet Choom, but the inhabitants of Choom, the Zhuri, who look like giant mosquitoes, don't really like humans and it up to the boy and his family to change their minds if they hope to survive.” - <i>OCLC</i></p>



Weird Kid

by Greg Van Eekhout, c2022 (IL: 4-7, 4-6; RL: 4.9)

“Jake Foster, a shapeshifting alien of goo disguised as a human, and his spunky friend Agnes investigate the mysterious takeover of their neighbors by "imblobsters" and uncover the reason Jake is losing control of his ability to keep his human shape.” - *OCLC*



The Wild Robot (*The Wild Robot, Book 1*)

by Peter Brown, c2020 (IL: 3-6, 3-7; RL: 5.1)

“Roz the robot discovers that she is alone on a remote, wild island with no memory of where she is from or why she is there, and her only hope of survival is to try to learn about her new environment from the island's hostile inhabitants.” - *Follett*



Zita the Spacegirl: Far From Home (*Legends of Zita the Spacegirl, Book 1*)

by Ben Hatke, c2010 (IL: 3-6, 3-5; RL: 2.5)

“Zita rushes to the rescue after her best friend is abducted by an alien doomsday cult, and, before long, finds herself hailed as an intergalactic hero.” - *Follett*