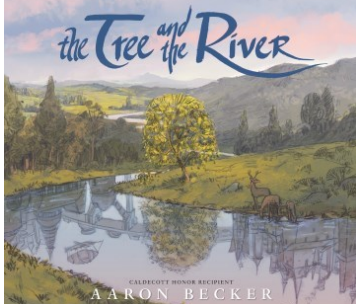


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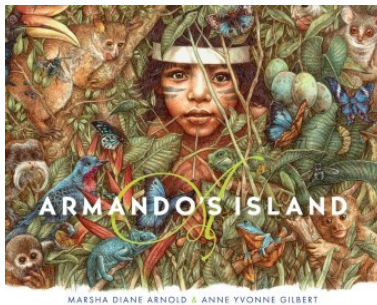
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Picture Books



The Tree and the River

By Aaron Becker, c (IL: K-4)

"In an alternate past--or possible future--a mighty tree stands on the banks of a winding river, bearing silent witness to the flow of time and change. A family farms the fertile valley. Soon, a village sprouts, and not long after, a town. Residents learn to harness the water, the wind, and the animals in order to survive and thrive. The growing population becomes ever more industrious and clever, bending nature itself to their will and their ambition..." - *Publisher*



Armando's Island

By Marsha Arnold, c2023 (IL: 1-3, RL: 4.5)

"Armando's home is the rainforest--he knows its sights, smells, tastes, and sounds. He even knows its moods. From the bottom of the forest floor to the top of the emergent layer, the trees are also home to a multitude of creatures. When outsiders begin laying claim to and destroying the surrounding landscape, the displaced animals find refuge with Armando in the only remaining pocket of untouched forest, his 'island.' As people come in and animals are forced out, this poignant tale shows the cumulative and disastrous effects of Amazon deforestation." - *Pub.*



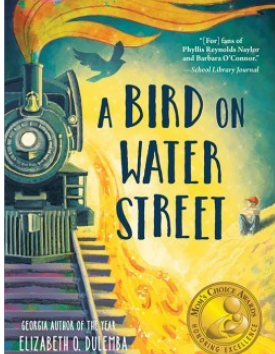
Little Land

by Diana Sudyka, c2023 (IL: 1-3, RL: 2.7)

"Do you know a little bit of land? It could be smaller than you expect. But its importance is bigger than you know. From the prehistoric past to the dramatic environmental change of right here and now, the land has countless stories to tell. You, too, are a part of the land. Listen, and you will understand what it needs to stay in balance. A breathtaking exploration of the connections between life and land central to the past, present, and future of our planet, *Little Land* invites young readers to think about ways in which they engage with the environment in their own lives." - *Pub.*

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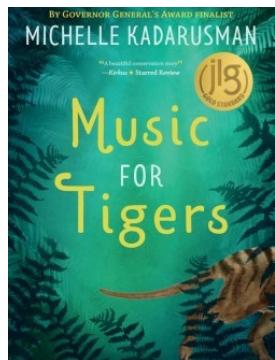
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Novels



A Bird on Water Street

by Elizabeth Delumba , c (IL: 4-7, 5-8; RL: 4.9)

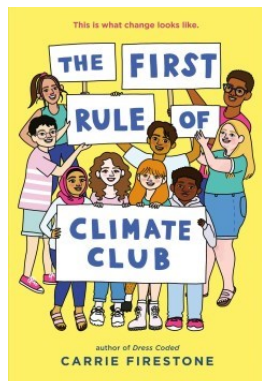
"A coming of age story about Jack, a boy growing up in a Southern Appalachian town environmentally devastated by a century of poor copper-mining practices and pollution. Jack is opposed to the mine where so many of his relatives have died, but how can he tell that to his dad who wants him to follow in the family trade? Jack just wants his dad safe and the land returned to its pre-mining glory with trees, birds, frogs, and nature..." - Follett



Music for Tigers

by Michelle Kadarusman, c (IL: 4-7, 5-7; RL: 4.8)

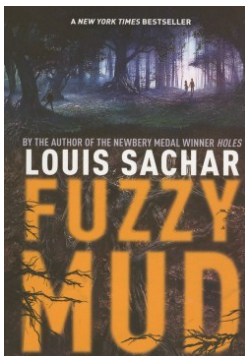
"Middle-schooler Louisa wants to spend the summer practicing violin for a place in the youth symphony, but is instead sent to the Tasmanian rainforest camp of her Australian relatives. There she learns that her family secretly protects the last of the supposedly extinct Tasmanian tigers. When an encroaching mining operation threatens the hidden sanctuary, Louisa realizes her music can help " - Follett



The First Rule of Climate Club

by Carrie Firestone, c (IL: 6-8, RL: 5.5)

"When Mary Kate Murphy joins a special science pilot program focused on climate change, the class opens her eyes to lots of things she never noticed before about her small suburban town. Kids waste tons of food at school without a second thought. Parents leave their cars running in the pick-up lane all the time. People buy lots of clothes they don't really need. And the mayor isn't willing to listen to new ideas for fixing it all..." - Follett



Fuzzy Mud

by Louis Sachar, c (IL: 4-7; RL: 5.0)

"Fifth grader Tamaya and seventh grader Marshall have been walking to and from Woodbridge Academy together since elementary school. To avoid [a] conflict, Marshall takes a shortcut home through the off-limits woods. Tamaya reluctantly follows. They soon get lost, and they find trouble. Bigger trouble than anyone could ever have imagined. In the days and weeks that follow, the authorities and the government become involved, and what they uncover might affect the future of the world." - Follett

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Haven Jacobs Saves the World

by Barbara Dee, c (IL: 6-8; RL: 5.8)

"Twelve-year-old Haven channels her anxiety about the climate crisis into a fight against the factory suspected of polluting the river running through her town.

" - Follett



Berani

By Michelle Kadarusman , c (IL: 4-7)

"Seventh-graders Malia and Ari seem unlikely to cross paths. Malia has had a privileged upbringing at one of Indonesia's best schools, and Ari is grateful to be attending a less prestigious academy in a neighboring town. But one subject binds them together: orangutans. Malia is an outspoken critic of palm oil plantations that decimate the apes' rain forest home, while Ari has a deep affinity for his uncle's caged pet orangutan, Ginger Juice, along with guilt about her captivity. When the kids' lives finally overlap, a series of events changes their lives... " - Booklist



Stowaway (Icarus Chronicles, Book 1)

by John David Anderson, c (IL: 4-7, 5+ ; 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. . " - Follett



The Wild Robot Protects (Series: Wild Robot, Bk. 3)

by Peter Brown, c2023 (IL: 4-7, RL: ?)

"Life for Roz and the animals on their island is perfect. But when mysterious, dangerous waters surround the island, the animals are forced inland to fight over dwindling resources. Roz calms and organizes the animals, but the *poison tide* takes a terrible toll on the island. So the wild robot sets out across the ocean, determined to stop the poison tide. During her journey, Roz encounters amazing geological formations and incredible creatures, and she sees the devastation caused by the toxic waters. Can the wild robot save the ocean and her island and everything she loves?" - Chapters

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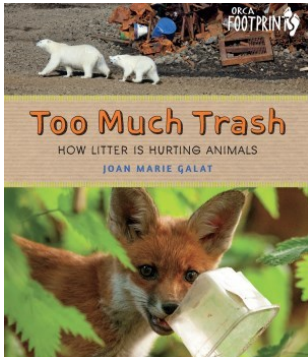
Project F

by , c2023 (IL: 4-7, RL: 3.9)

"There are no cars, planes, television, or smart phones. Climate change wreaked havoc on Earth hundreds of years ago, and now people live a simpler life. Then thirteen-year-old Keith uncovers a secret. It's a mysterious mission known only as Project F. It's advanced, it's *scientific*, and it's going to change the world. It's exactly the kind of adventure Keith has always longed to be a part of.." - *Pub.*

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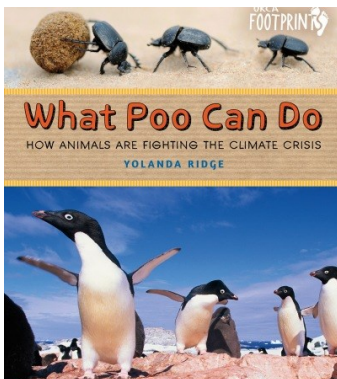
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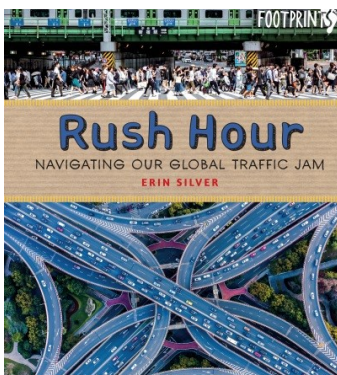
by Orca Book Publishers, 2018-2023 (IL: Gr. 4-9, RL: around 7.0) *26 great titles

"Straightforward books about the complex environmental issues that children face every day. Each 48-page book aims to inspire young students to take action in any way they can. The books contain well-researched, simply-expressed information and powerful images to readers ages 9-and-up who are asking questions about the state of the natural world." - Pub.



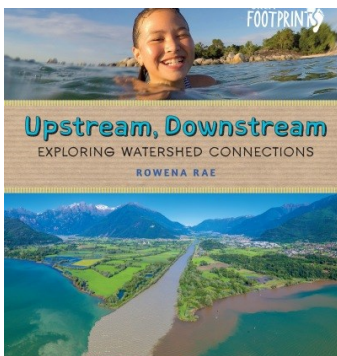
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