

New Books - Samoset Middle School Library

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NON-FICTION

001.944 STE

Stewart, Gail B. (Gail Barbara), 1949-. Vampires : do they exist? San Diego, CA : ReferencePoint Press, c2011.

Introduction : Mercy's grave -- Why do people believe in vampires? -- Close encounters -- Blood and guts -- Vampires among us. Considers whether vampires truly exist and outlines various instances of supposed vampire sightings throughout history. Discusses how people who claim to be vampires act and includes full-color photographs and further reading sources.

031.02 TIB

Tibballs, Geoff. Reality shock! Orlando, Florida : Ripley Publishing, [2014].

Believe it! -- World -- Animals -- Sports -- Body -- Pop culture -- Transport -- Feats -- Art -- Food -- Beyond belief. Collects dozens of unusual facts and stories from around the world about a variety of topics including animals, sports, art, food, and popular culture. Features full-color and black-and-white photographs throughout.

302.3 MOO

Mooney, Carla, 1970-. Online privacy and social media. San Diego, CA : ReferencePoint Press, [2015].

History of privacy and social media -- Sharing information online -- Public versus private lives -- Scams and threats -- Protecting privacy on social media. Explores issues of privacy in social media, including the hazards of sharing information online, discrepancies between public and private personas, vulnerability to scams and threats, and how to protect one's privacy on social media. Includes case studies, a list of additional resources, and an index.

303.48 NAK

Nakaya, Andrea C., 1976-. How do cell phones affect society? San Diego, CA : ReferencePoint Press, [2015].

An essential part of society -- Changing communication and social interaction -- How do cell phones affect the brain and body? -- Are cell phones addictive? -- Cell phone distractions. Discusses the effects of cell phones on individual users and society, including how cell phones affect the brain and body, whether they are addictive, the dangers they present as a distraction, and the ways in which they change communication and social interaction. Includes source notes, a list of additional resources, and an index.

303.48 WIL

Wilcox, Christine. Cell phones and teens. San Diego, CA : ReferencePoint Press, [2015].

Cell phones and social development -- Cell phones and addiction -- Texting while driving -- Oversharing and sexting -- Cyberbullying. Examines the ways cell phones have changed modern society, both for the better and for the worse.

363.34 RUS

Rusch, Elizabeth. Eruption! : volcanoes and the science of saving lives. Boston : Houghton Mifflin Books for Children, 2013.

Follows volcanologists Andy Lockhart and John Pallister as they helicopter onto active volcanoes to install equipment, climb into blast zones to collect ash samples, and endure suspense as they wait to find out if their predictions are accurate.

398.2 GAI

Gaiman, Neil. Hansel & Gretel : a Toon graphic. New York, NY : Toon Books, [2014].

Two abandoned children come upon a gingerbread cottage inhabited by a cruel witch who wants to eat them.

520 AGU

Aguilar, David A. Space encyclopedia : a tour of our solar system and beyond. Washington, D.C. : National Geographic, [2013].

Text and photographs look at the solar system, the stars and beyond.

530.4 WES

West, Krista. States of matter : gases, liquids, and solids. New York : Chelsea House Publishers, c2008.

Nature's matter mover -- The behavior of molecules -- Solids, liquids, and gases -- Evaporation and condensation -- Melting and freezing -- Sublimation and deposition -- Other states of matter -- Phase changes at home -- Phase changes in industry. Explores the properties of gases, liquids, and solids and discusses how and why their states of matter change. Includes full-color photographs and illustrations, a glossary, and further reading sources.

597.3 MAC

MacQuitty, Miranda. Shark. American edition. New York : DK, 2014.

Describes, in text and photographs, the physical characteristics, behavior, and life cycle of various types of sharks.

599.53 GAG

Gagne, Tammy. Dolphins. Minneapolis, MN : ABDO Publishing Company, [2014].

A hero with flippers -- A very social life -- Tales of intelligence -- At home throughout the world -- Learning more. Investigates the relative intelligence levels of dolphins compared to human beings, discussing their ability to use their cleverness to survive.

629.4 STO

Stott, Carole. Space exploration. American edition. New York : DK, 2014.

Describes rockets, exploratory vehicles, and other technological aspects of space exploration, satellites, space stations, and the life and work of astronauts.

636.7 CLU

Clutton-Brock, Juliet. Dog. American edition. New York, New York : DK Publishing, 2014.

Presents photographs of a wide range of dog breeds, discussing the basic behavior common to all dogs and highlighting the differences among all the species.

920 SAN

Sandler, Martin W. How the Beatles changed the world. New York : Walker Books for Young Readers, 2014.

Examines the history of "The Beatles" and how their influence is still felt today in the music industry, as well as in everyday life and popular culture.

940.53 ADA

Adams, Simon, 1955-. World War II. American edition. New York, New York : DK Publishing, 2014.

Provides an overview of World War II with text supported by pictures from the conflict itself, and photographs of war memorabilia.

973.91 BIX

Bix, Cynthia Overbeck. Fad Mania! : a history of American crazes. Minneapolis : Twenty-First Century Books, [2015].

Here today, gone tomorrow -- Dance 'til you drop : the roaring twenties -- Playing through hard times : the 1930s and the 1940s -- Phone booths and hula-hoops : the fabulous fifties -- Flower power : the sixties -- Mood rings and disco dancers : the 1970s "me" decade -- The have-it-all years : the 1980s and the 1990s -- Flashmobs and webkinz : the millennium. Explores different fads from American history including dance contests, telephone booth stuffing, and hula hoops. Explores how these fads reflect the historical events of the time period.

973.922 NAR

Nardo, Don, 1947-. Assassination and its aftermath : how a photograph reassured a shocked nation. North Mankato, Minnesota : Compass Point Books, [2014].

Majestic transfer of power -- Fateful moment -- Duty to the world -- An icon of imagery. Examines the immediate aftermath of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy and how the historic picture of Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson being sworn into office on Air Force One helped to reassure the

nation that their government could still operate smoothly after such a crisis.

BIOGRAPHY

B LEYSON

Leyson, Leon, 1929-2013, author. The boy on the wooden box : how the impossible became possible...on Schindler's list.

Leon Leyson, a Holocaust survivor and one of the youngest Jewish boys saved by Oskar Schindler due to his list--made famous by the movie "Schindler's List"--offers his own words on his childhood and his experiences in Nazi-held Europe.

FICTION

FIC ADO

Adornetto, Alexandra. Ghost house. Don Mills, Ontario : Harlequin Teen, [2014].

Chloe Kennedy goes to her grandmother's country estate in England to heal from the death of her mother and escape the spirits that have always haunted her; but there she falls for the mysterious spirit Alexander Reade. As the two grow closer, Alexander's jealous past love, Isobel, returns to destroy Chloe. Now Chloe must use all her abilities to stop Isobel even if it takes her life.

FIC CER

Cerra, Kerry O'Malley. Just a drop of water. New York : Sky Pony Press, [2014].

High school student Jake Green, who plans on following in the footsteps of his veteran grandfather, faces difficult choices when his friend Muslim friend Sam is harassed by bullies, Sam's family is targeted in an FBI investigation following the 9/11 attacks, and the truth about Jake's grandfather's past is revealed.

FIC COL

Colfer, Eoin. The hangman's revolution. First U.S. edition. Los Angeles : Hyperion, [2014].

Seventeen-year-old time-traveling FBI agent Chevron Savano finds herself traveling back to the past once again to prevent a man with knowledge of the future from taking over London.

FIC FED

Federle, Tim. Five, six, seven, Nate! First edition. New York : Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, [2014].

Now on Broadway as second understudy for E.T., Nate Foster keeps in close contact with his best friend, Libby, as he faces his nemesis, Jordan Rylance, and his own insecurities as the cast member with the least training and experience.

FIC FLA

Flanagan, John (John Anthony), author. The royal ranger.

The once mischievous and spirited Ranger's Apprentice, Will, is now a grim, humorless grown man who has lost his beloved wife. The Rangers, though they still exist, lack energy and leadership. The unexpected arrival of headstrong Maddie, the daughter of Horace and Evanlyn, promises new energy. But can this troublesome girl who has no interest in her royal status become a Ranger? Now, Will must prove his mettle by taking on an apprentice of his own.

FIC GAN

Gantos, Jack. The key that swallowed Joey Pigza. New York : Farrar Straus Giroux Books for Young Readers, 2014.

When both his parents go AWOL, young Joey Pigza is forced to become like a dad to his months-old baby brother, Carter Junior. Hilarity ensues as he tries, even with the help of a friend, until the real man of the house returns and Joey sees a ray of hope for fixing his family.

FIC GUR

Gurevich, Margaret. Making the cut. North Mankato, Minnesota : Capstone Young Readers, [2015].

Sixteen-year-old Chloe Montgomery gets a chance to travel from Santa Cruz to New York City to

compete in a competitive game show for aspiring teenage fashion designers.

FIC HAG

Hagen, George, 1958-. Gabriel Finley & the raven's riddle. First edition. New York : Schwartz & Wade Books, [2014].

Eleven-year-old Gabriel, with the help of the young raven Paladin, which whom he has a magical bond, travels to the foreboding land of Aviopolis, where he must face challenges and unanswerable riddles to rescue his long-missing father.

FIC HAH

Hahn, Mary Downing. Where I belong. Boston : Clarion Books, [2014].

Sixth grader Brendan Doyle, who is bullied at school and mistreated by his teachers and foster mother, becomes convinced that an elderly man living in the Virginia woods near Brendan's tree house is the mythical Green Man, and befriends him and an unusual girl named Shea.

FIC HAR

Harrington, Karen, 1967-. Courage for beginners. First edition. New York : Little, Brown and Company, 2014.

Twelve-year-old Mysti Murphy of Texas struggles to solve her problems at school; take care of her family when her dad's in the hospital; and deal with her family's secret: that her mother is agoraphobic and never leaves the house.

FIC HOO

Hoover, P. J. (Patricia J.), 1970-. Tut : the story of my immortal life. First edition. New York : Starscape, 2014.

The Egyptian demigod Tut has been stuck in eighth grade for ages. He must find a way to break the infernal cycle of middle school while evading evil General Horemheb, the man who murdered Tut's father.

FIC HUG

Hughes, Gregory. Unhooking the moon. New York : Quercus, [2010].

After the death of their father, a brother and sister travel from Winnipeg to New York to search for their uncle.

FIC JET

Jeter, Derek, 1974-. The contract. First edition. New York : Jeter Children's, [2014].

In Kalamazoo, Michigan, eight-year-old Derek Jeter, who dreams of playing for the New York Yankees, learns what it takes to be a champion on and off the field.

FIC LAF

LaFleur, Suzanne M. Listening for Lucca. First edition. New York : Wendy Lamb Books, [2013].

Thirteen-year-old Siena's visions of the past intensify when her family moves to the Maine coast hoping her little brother will begin speaking, and she connects with residents of the house from many years earlier who faced a similar problem.

FIC LEG

Legrand, Claire, 1986-. The Cavendish Home for boys and girls. 1st ed. New York : Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, c2012.

Victoria is a perfectionist to the extreme--everything about her shines. She especially likes having Lawrence as her best friend, someone else's life to order around, too. Then one day Lawrence goes missing, and not just him but other kids from the idyllic town of Belleville as well. Victoria's investigation into the matter leads her to the strange mansion of Mrs. Cavendish's children's home. There, kids are transformed into smarter, well behaved, and prettier kids--or else they don't come out again.

FIC LUP

Lupica, Mike. Fantasy league. New York, NY : Philomel, [2014].

Twelve-year-old Charlie "Brain" Gaines uses his fantasy football skills to help the real-life Los Angeles

Bulldogs, the first professional football team Los Angeles has had in years.

FIC MAR

Martin, Ann M., 1955-. Rain reign. First edition. New York : Feiwel and Friends, 2014.
Autistic fifth-grader Rose Howard, who is fascinated by her own set of rules and a passion for homonyms, sets out on a search for her beloved dog Rain after her father accidentally lets the dog out during a dangerous storm.

FIC MEL

Meloy, Maile. The apothecary. New York : G.P. Putnam's Sons, c2011.
Fourteen-year-old Janie Scott, newly arrived in London from Los Angeles in 1952, becomes friends with a mysterious apothecary and his son, Benjamin Burrows, and is drawn into a dangerous adventure with Benjamin when his father is kidnapped and Russian spies try to steal his book of secrets.

FIC NIX

Nix, Garth. Clariel : the lost Abhorsen. First edition. New York, NY : Harper, [2014].
Seventeen-year-old Clariel, daughter of a influential family in the Old Kingdom, faces difficult decisions as she comes to term with her magical talents, resists an arranged marriage to a killer, and struggles to protect her city from a dangerous and powerful creature on the loose.

FIC PIN

Pinkney, Andrea Davis. The red pencil. First edition. New York : Little, Brown and Company, 2014.
Twelve-year-old Amira, a resident of a Sudanese refugee camp following the murder of her parents in a Janjaweed attack, finds hope in the gift of a simple red pencil that allows her to express her creativity and formulate her hopes for the future.

FIC PRO

Probst, Jeff, 1962-. Survivors. New York, N.Y. : Puffin Books, an imprint of Penguin Group (USA), 2013.
Buzz, Vanessa, Carter, and Jane must find a way to survive when they are stranded without adults or supplies on a deserted island in the middle of the South Pacific.

FIC RIO

Riordan, Rick. Percy Jackson's Greek Gods. First edition. Los Angeles : Disney-Hyperion Books, [2014].
Introduction -- The beginning and stuff -- The golden age of cannibalism -- The Olympians bash some heads -- Zeus -- Hestia chooses bachelor number zero -- Demeter turns into Grainzilla -- Persephone marries her stalker -- Hera gets a little cuckoo -- Hades does home improvement -- Poseiden gets salty -- Zeus kills everyone -- Athena adopts a handkerchief -- You gotta love Aphrodite -- Ares, the manly man's manly man -- Hephaestus makes me a golden llama (not really, but he totally should) -- Apollo sings and dances and shoots people -- Artemis unleashes the death pig -- Hermes goes to juvie -- Dionysus conquers the world with a refreshing beverage -- Afterword. Percy Jackson, son of Poseidon, provides an overview of the Greek Gods, including their origins, personalities, and noteworthy accomplishments.

FIC RIV

Rivers, Karen, 1970-. Finding Ruby Starling. First edition. New York, NY : Arthur A. Levine Books, 2014.
Through e-mails, letters, blog entries, and movie scripts, twelve-year-old Ruth, an American girl, and Ruby, an English one, discover that they are long-lost twins.

FIC RYA

Ryan, Carrie. The map to everywhere. First edition. New York : Little, Brown & Company, 2014.
The Map to Everywhere is highly sought for obvious reasons. Master thief Fin wants it so he can find his mother. Suburban schoolgirl Marrill needs it to get back to her world after becoming trapped in the Pirate Stream. Marrill and Fin band together to find the map before the evil captain of a ghost ship can get it first.

FIC SCH

Schulz, Heidi. Hook's revenge. First edition. Los Angeles : Disney/Hyperion, [2014].
Captain Hook's swashbuckling daughter must avenge her infamous father's death at the jaws of the

Neverland crocodile.

FIC SIL

Silberberg, Alan, author. The awesome, almost 100% true adventures of Matt & Craz. First Aladdin hardcover edition.

A weird web site provides Kilgore Junior High students and best friends Matt and Craz the opportunity to make their cartoons become real, which has some unexpected and dire consequences.

FIC TRI

Tripp, Ben, 1966-. The accidental highwayman : being the tale of Kit Bristol, his horse Midnight, a mysterious princess, and sundry magical persons besides. First edition. New York : Tor, 2014.

In eighteenth-century England, young Christopher "Kit" Bristol unwittingly takes on the task of his dead master, notorious highwayman Whistling Jack, who pledged a fairy he would rescue feisty Princess Morgana from an arranged marriage with King George III.

FIC VAI

Vail, Rachel. Unfriended. New York, New York : Viking, 2014.

Truly is asked to join the middle school "Popular Table" and couldn't be more thrilled, but in order to do so she will have to abandon her best friend, Hazel. She thinks it is a small price to pay for popularity, but the kids at the table may not have the purest of motives inviting her to sit with them. Embarrassing secrets are about to come to light that will rock Truly's middle school's hierarchy.

FIC VAN

Vance, Alexander. The heartbreak messenger. First edition. New York : Feiwel and Friends, [2013].

Seventh-grader Quentin starts his own business as a "Heartbreak Messenger" who delivers breakup messages for a fee. Quentin's business is doing well until his messages begin affecting his own heart.

FIC WAT

Watson, Jude. Nowhere to run. Library edition. New York, NY : Scholastic Inc., [2013].

Thirteen-year-old Dan Cahill and his older sister, Amy, are the latest family guardians of a secret serum that can turn anyone into the most powerful person on earth. When one mistake leads to the serum's disappearance, it's Dan and Amy's job to get it back.

PICTURE BOOKS

P CAR

Carle, Eric. Papa, please get the moon for me. New York : Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, c1986.

Monica's father fulfills her request for the moon by taking it down after it is small enough to carry, but it continues to change in size. Some pages fold out to display particularly large pictures.

P EHL

Ehlert, Lois. Boo to you! 1st ed. New York : Beach Lane Books, c2009.

When the neighborhood cat tries to crash the mice's harvest party, the mice have a plan to scare the intruder away.

P HUT

Hutchins, Pat, 1942-. Ten red apples. 1st ed. New York : Greenwillow Books, c2000.

In rhyming verses, one animal after another neighs, moos, oinks, quacks and makes other appropriate sounds as each eats an apple from the farmer's tree.

P LON

Long, Loren. Otis and the scarecrow. New York, NY : Philomel Books, [2014].

When the farmer places a scarecrow in the cornfield, Otis the tractor and the farm animals try to make friends, but the scarecrow remains silent with a sour look on his face throughout the summer and fall. Then one day, Otis, feeling sorry for the scarecrow, shows the scarecrow a simple act of kindness that encourages the other farm animals to join him.

P TUL

Tullet, Hervé. Mix it up! San Francisco, CA : Chronicle Books, 2014.

Simple text accompanies splotches of color on each page, instructing young readers to imaginatively interact with the colors to produce results on the following pages, such as mixing blue with yellow to make green.
