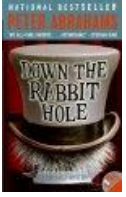


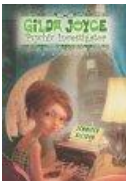
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J/F/ABR

[Down the Rabbit Hole: an Echo Falls Mystery](#) by Peter Abrahams

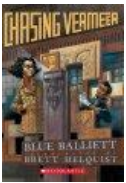
Thirteen year-old Ingrid is a dedicated reader of Sherlock Holmes mysteries, a soccer player, and an actress! When she's cast in the lead in the play *Alice in Wonderland*, Ingrid finds herself having to solve a murder mystery. A lot of plot twists and suspense!



J/F/ALL

[Gilda Joyce, Psychic Investigator](#) by Jennifer Allison

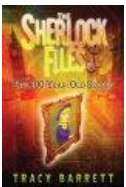
During the summer before ninth grade, intrepid Gilda Joyce invites herself to the San Francisco mansion of distant cousin Lester Splinter and his thirteen-year-old daughter, where she uses her psychic abilities and detective skills to solve the mystery of the mansion's boarded-up tower. What *really* happened to Gilda's Aunt Meredith? Read this fun and suspenseful story to find out! Check out other titles in the Gilda Joyce series.



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[Chasing Vermeer](#) by Blue Balliett

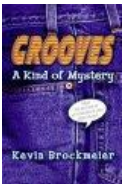
When a book of unexplainable occurrences brings Petra and Calder together, strange things start to happen: Seemingly unrelated events connect when a priceless Vermeer painting disappears. Before they know it, the kids are involved in an international art scandal, where everyone is under suspicion. Petra and Calder are drawn clue by clue into the mystery and need to use their skills and intuition. Can they decipher a crime that has stumped even the FBI? If you like this story, be sure to also check out the other books in the series: [The Wright 3](#) and [The Calder Game](#).



J/F/BAR

[The Sherlock Files: the 100 Year Old Secret](#) by Tracy Barrett

Xena and Xander Holmes have just moved to London, England, and are worried that it'll be boring. That worry lasts only until a mysterious stranger gives them a note, whispers, "It fades fast!" and runs away. The kids follow the note's instructions (written in disappearing ink) and learn that they're descended from the great detective Sherlock Holmes. Not only that, but they've inherited his unsolved cases! Find out what happens when they try to solve the mystery of a missing painting.



J/F/BRO

[Grooves: a Kind of Mystery](#) by Kevin Brockmeier

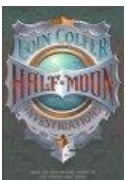
An entertaining science fiction/mystery mix! Nerdy 7th grader Dwayne discovers that if he scratches the grooves in his Thigpen-based jeans with a needle, he can hear a cry for help! Weird! Dwayne and his friends Emily and Kevin try to find out the mystery around the Thigpen blue jeans factory, run by the greedy (and possibly evil?) Howard Thigpen.



J/F/CAR

[Skeleton Creek](#) by Patrick Carman

Strange things are happening in Ryan's hometown of Skeleton Creek, and he and his friend Sarah are trying to solve the mystery. When Ryan is housebound by an accident, he keeps track of the clues in his journal, while Sarah emails him video clips of her investigation. This is a fascinating story—half text in the book, and half videos on an actual website! Links and passwords are provided throughout the book.



J/F/COL

[Half-Moon Investigations](#) by Eoin Colfer

The author of the very popular [Artemis Fowl](#) series turns to mystery in this book. Nerdy 12 year-old Fletcher Moon is the "youngest private investigator on the planet", at least in his small Irish hometown! When a popular girl hires him to dig up dirt on the school's biggest bullies, Fletcher takes the case. Follow the clues in this fun story.



J/F/GIF

Eleven by Patricia Reilly Giff

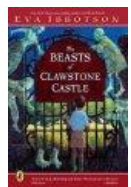
The day before his 11th birthday, Sam searches the attic for hidden presents. Instead he finds an old newspaper clipping that has a picture of him as a missing child! Sam is a special-needs student who has trouble reading, so he gets help from Caroline, a new girl at school. Together they try to solve the mystery of Sam's family secrets.



J/F/HAD

Found by Margaret Peterson Haddix

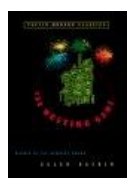
A science fiction/mystery mix! 13 year-old adopted kids Jonah and Chip find out that they were found with other babies on a mysterious plane with no adults on board. When they start getting messages, things get even weirder. The boys' search for their true identities will keep you on the edge of your seat!



J/F/IBB

The Beasts of Clawstone Castle by Eva Ibbotson

Madlyn and her brother Rollo go to stay with their great-aunt and uncle at crumbling Clawstone Castle, a tourist attraction with money troubles and a herd of rare white cattle to support. Clawstone needs some thrills and chills to attract more guests, so the family sets up a scary ghost show to make the tourists scream. But then the cattle disappear! The kids (and the ghosts) work together to solve the mystery.



J/F/RAS/NEWBERY

The Westing Game by Ellen Raskin

An oddball millionaire dies in mysterious circumstances, bringing together a weird assortment of possible heirs to his fortune. Their challenge: to discover who among them is the Westing Heir and claim the inheritance. Blizzards, burglaries, and bombings are just a few of the plot twists you'll encounter in this fun, suspenseful book.



J/F/SPR

The Case of the Peculiar Pink Fan: An Enola Holmes Mystery by Nancy Springer

Set in Victorian England, this series follows the adventures of Enola Holmes, 14 year-old sister of famous detectives Sherlock and Mycroft Holmes. In this book, Enola has to solve the kidnapping of a young woman being held against her will in order to be forced into a marriage! Secret codes add to the thrill of the chase! Historically accurate and fun! Check out **The Case of the Left-Handed Lady** and other titles too!



J/F/VAN

Sammy Keyes and the Psycho Kitty Queen by Wendelin Van Draanen

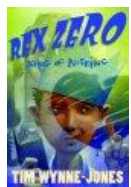
What could be worse than learning you're only 12 on the eve of what you THINK is your 14th birthday? How about getting sprayed with a hose by a crazy cat lady who thinks you killed her cat? Sammy Keyes copes with mean girls at school, a possible romance with Casey, and solving the mystery of dead cats all over town. Funny dialogue and an intrepid investigator make this a great read. Check out many other titles in the Sammy Keyes mystery series.



J/F/WRI

Too Many Secrets by Betty Ren Wright

Nine-year-old Chad and his friend Jeannie try to discover who is breaking into their neighbor's house, while Chad also deals with his suspicions about why his father has been spending so much time away from home. Wright has written many other mystery and ghost stories that you'll enjoy!



J/F/WYN

Rex Zero, King of Nothing by Tim Wynne-Jones

This is the second book in the series about the misadventures of 11 year-old Rex Norton-Norton, known as Rex Zero. Set in 1962 Ottawa, Canada, the story follows Rex as he tries to solve several puzzling mysteries, including his Dad's World War II secrets, the problems of a beautiful woman named Natasha, and what to do about his mean teacher Miss Garr. This is a funny but sensitive coming-of-age story. Also try **Rex Zero and the End of the World!**



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