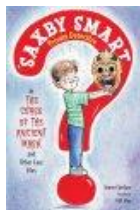


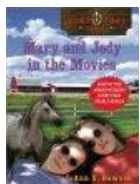
WHAT'S NEW IN YOUTH SERVICES FOR 3RD AND 4TH GRADERS



J/CHE

[Saxby Smart Private Detective: The Curse of the Ancient Mask and Other Case Files](#) by Simon Cheshire

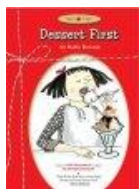
Saxby Smart is no ordinary ten-year-old. He's the best detective in the world, or at least the best one who also happens to be in elementary school. In this new series--with three cases in each book--the reader solves the mystery alongside Saxby, getting peeks at pages of his casebook as the crimes unfold, and searching for clues rather than letting the main character do all the work and have all the fun. (Mystery)



J/DAW

[Mary and Jody in the Movies](#) by JoAnn Dawson

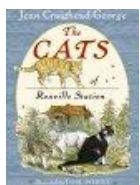
Everyone is excited when the McMurray dairy farm is chosen to be the setting of a movie, especially best friends Mary and Jody who see it as an opportunity to show off their ponies Lady and Star. Part of the **Lucky Foot Stable** series.



J/DUR

[Dessert First](#) by Hallie Durand

After her teacher, Mrs. Howdy Doody, urges students to march to the beat of their own drums, third-grader Dessert's love of treats leads to a change in her large family's dinner routine, which is an awful mistake, and later a true sacrifice.



J/GEO

[The Cats of Roxville Station](#) by Jean Craighead George

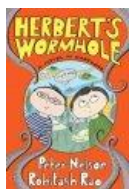
Thrown into a river by a cruel human, a young tiger-striped cat fights to survive amid feral cats and other creatures near the Roxville train station. The cat is aided by Mike, an eleven year-old foster boy who is not allowed to have a pet.



J/HAW

[George's Cosmic Treasure Hunt](#) by Lucy Hawking

George is heartbroken when his neighbor Annie and her scientist father move to Florida. When Annie sends him a secret message telling him she has been contacted by aliens with a terrible warning, he joins her in a galaxy-wide search for answers. Includes scientific essays on space travel. (Science Fiction)

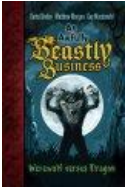


J/NEL

[Herbert's Wormhole](#) by Peter Nelson

When almost-sixth-grader Alex, a video game fanatic, is forced to go on a "playdate" with his neighbor Herbert, an inventor, the two travel to the twenty-second century and face off against aliens, who are not as beneficent as most people think. (Science Fiction)

J/SIN



Werewolf Versus Dragon by David Sinden

Ulf is an orphaned werewolf who has lived all his life at Faraway Hall, the home of the RSPCB (Royal Society For the Prevention of Cruelty to Beasts) and a sanctuary for rare and endangered beasts. When a dead dragon arrives and a ghost reveals a dark secret, Ulf sets out to investigate, uncovering a plot by the world's most villainous hunter to resurrect the cruel sport of dragon fighting.

J/THO



Highway Robbery by Kate Thompson

On a cold day in eighteenth-century England, a poor young boy agrees to watch a stranger's fine horse for a golden guinea but soon finds himself in a difficult situation when the king's guard appears and wants to use him as bait in their pursuit of a notorious highwayman. (Historical Fiction)

J/TOC



Bill Pennant, Babe Ruth, and Me by Timothy Tocher

In 1920, sixteen-year-old Hank finds his loyalties divided when he is assigned to care for the Giants' mascot, a wildcat named Bill Pennant, as well as keeping an eye on Babe Ruth in Ruth's first season with the New York Yankees. (Historical Fiction)



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