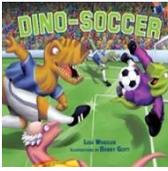
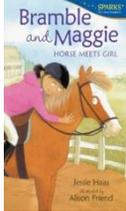
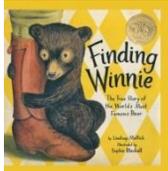
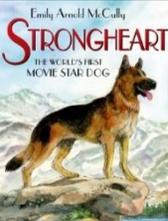
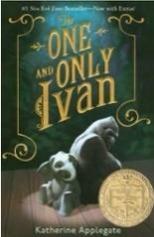
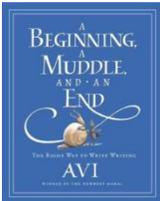
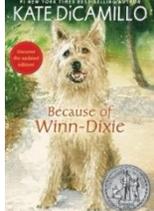


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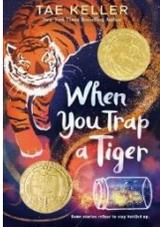
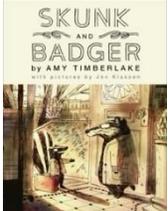
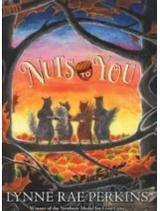
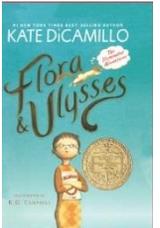
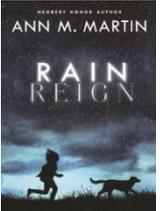
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- SOME TAME AND SOME WILD -  
AND THE ADVENTURES THEY GO ON!

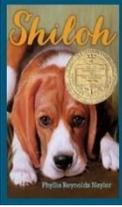
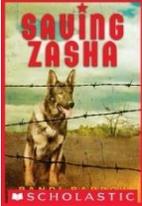
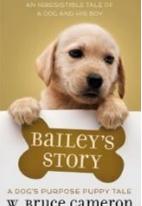
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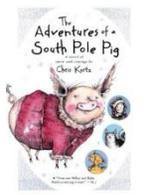
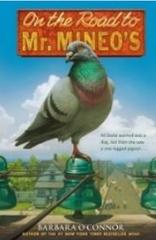
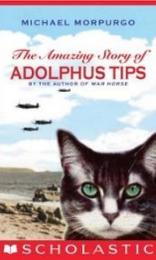
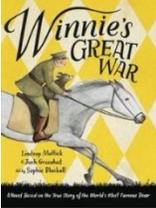
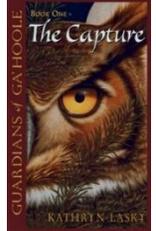
				
<p><b>Dino-Soccer</b> by Lisa Wheeler</p> <p>Series: Dino-Sports</p> <p>FIC WHE</p>	<p>AR Level: 2<sup>nd</sup></p> <p>AR Points: 0.5</p>		<p>Plant-eating dinosaurs face meat-eating dinosaurs in a soccer match.</p>	
<p><b>Bramble and Maggie</b> by Jessie Haas</p> <p>Series: Bramble and Maggie</p> <p>FIC HAA</p>	<p>AR Level: 2<sup>nd</sup></p> <p>AR Points: 0.5</p>		<p>Maggie, a little girl who longs for a horse of her own, finds her match in Bramble, a horse who has grown tired of riding lessons and walking in circles.</p>	
<p><b>Barkus</b> by Patricia MacLachlan</p> <p>FIC WHE</p>	<p>AR Level: 2.3</p> <p>AR Points: 0.5</p>		<p>Barkus is a large and very smart dog who comes to live with Nicky when Nicky's Uncle Everton goes traveling--and soon he is a family and school favorite.</p>	
<p><b>White Fur Flying</b> by Patricia MacLachlan</p> <p>FIC MAC</p>	<p>AR Level: 3.1</p> <p>AR Points: 1</p>		<p>A sad and silent nine-year-old boy finds his voice when he moves next to a family that rescues dogs.</p>	
<p><b>Finding Winnie</b> by Lindsay Mattick</p> <p>FIC MAT</p>	<p>AR Level: 3.4</p> <p>AR Points: 0.5</p>		<p>A fictionalized account of Captain Harry Coleburn's relationship with a bear cub in 1914, which he rescued while on his way to care for soldiers' horses during World War I and became the inspiration for A.A. Milne's Winnie-the-Pooh</p>	

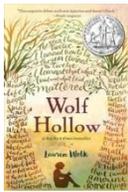
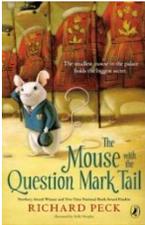
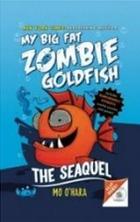
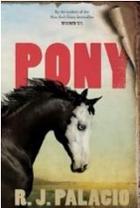
<p><b>Strongheart:</b> <b>The World's First Movie Star Dog</b> by Emily Arnold McCully FIC MCC</p>	<p>AR Level: 3.5 AR Points: 0.5</p>		<p>When silent movie director Larry Trimble decides to put Strongheart, a police dog, into his movies as the lead actor, he must first train him to play with toys and walk like a regular dog, but Strongheart becomes a sensation until his military training leads to trouble, and possibly the end of his career. Includes author's note on the real Strongheart.</p>
<p><b>The One and Only Ivan</b> by Katherine Applegate <i>Series: The One and Only Ivan</i> FIC APP</p>	<p>AR Level: 3.6 AR Points: 4</p>		<p>When Ivan, a gorilla who has lived for years in a down-and-out circus-themed mall, meets Ruby, a baby elephant that has been added to the mall, he decides that he must find her a better life.</p>
<p><b>A Beginning, A Muddle, and an End</b> by Avi FIC AVI</p>	<p>AR Level: 3.7 AR Points: 1</p>		<p>Avon the snail wants to become a writer and enlist the help of his friend Edward the ant on a series of adventures involving an anteater, a tree frog, and a hungry fish.</p>
<p><b>Because of Winn-Dixie</b> by Kate DiCamillo FIC DIC</p>	<p>AR Level: 3.9 AR Points: 3</p>		<p>Ten-year-old India Opal Buloni describes her first summer in the town of Naomi, Florida, and all the good things that happen to her because of her big ugly dog Winn-Dixie.</p>
<p><b>Dash</b> by Kirby Larson FIC DIC</p>	<p>AR Level: 3.9 AR Points: 6</p>		<p>When her family is forced into an internment camp, Mitsi Kashino is separated from her home, her classmates, and her beloved dog Dash; and as her family begins to come apart around her, Mitsi clings to her one connection to the outer world--the letters from the kindly neighbor who is caring for Dash.</p>

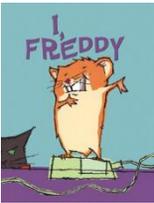
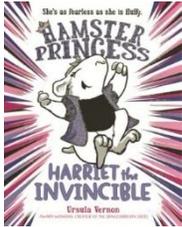
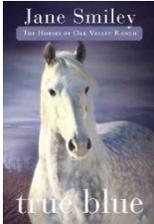
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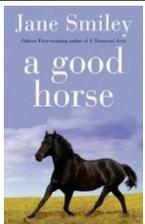
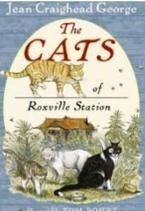
			
<p><b>When You Trap a Tiger</b> by Tae Keller</p> <p>FIC KEL</p>	<p>AR Level: 4.1</p> <p>AR Points: 8</p>		<p>When Lily, her sister Sam, and their mother move in with her sick grandmother, Lily traps a tiger and makes a deal with him to heal Halmoni.</p>
<p><b>Skunk and Badger</b> by Amy Timberlake</p> <p>FIC TIM</p>	<p>AR Level: 4.2</p> <p>AR Points: 3</p>		<p>The last thing Badger wants is a roommate, and certainly not Skunk, but since the house does not belong to him he does not have a choice; and soon everything in Badger's quiet and ordered life studying rocks is turned upside down (and where on earth did all the chickens come from)--but after he drives Skunk and his chickens away, Badger starts to miss his roommate and sets out to find him and make amends.</p>
<p><b>Nuts to You</b> by Lynne Rae Perkins</p> <p>FIC PER</p>	<p>AR Level: 4.2</p> <p>AR Points: 3</p>		<p>After surviving being carried off by a hawk, a young squirrel resolves to find his way home, as his best friends begin their search for him.</p>
<p><b>Flora and Ulysses</b> by Kate DiCamillo</p> <p>FIC DIC</p>	<p>AR Level: 4.3</p> <p>AR Points: 5</p>		<p>A girl named Flora and a squirrel named Ulysses, whose life was saved by Flora after he was involved in an incident with a vacuum cleaner, team up to use Ulysses' superpowers to conquer villains and protect the weak.</p>
<p><b>Rain, Reign</b> by Ann M. Martin</p> <p>FIC MAR</p>	<p>AR Level: 4.3</p> <p>AR Points: 3</p>		<p>Struggling with Asperger's syndrome, Rose shares a bond with her beloved dog, but when the dog goes missing during a storm, Rose is forced to confront the limits of her comfort levels, even if it means leaving her routines in order to search for her pet</p>

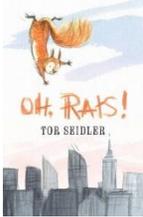
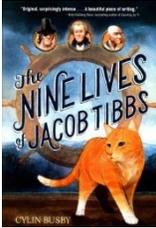
<p><b>Smells Like Dog</b> by Suzanne Selfors</p> <p>FIC SEL</p>	<p>AR Level: 4.3</p> <p>AR Points: 10</p>		<p>When farm boy Homer Pudding's explorer-uncle dies and leaves him a droopy dog with a mysterious coin hidden on its collar, it leads him to The City, where they meet Madame La Directeur, the conniving head of the Natural History Museum, who is trying to steal the coin and take Homer's place in a secret society of adventurers.</p>
<p><b>Shiloh</b> by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor</p> <p>FIC NAY</p>	<p>AR Level: 4.4</p> <p>AR Points: 4</p>		<p>When he finds a lost beagle in the hills behind his West Virginia home, Marty tries to hide it from his family and the dog's real owner.</p>
<p><b>Saving Zasha</b> by Randi Barrow</p> <p>FIC BAR</p>	<p>AR Level: 4.4</p> <p>AR Points: 6</p>		<p>In 1945 Russia, those who own German shepherds are considered traitors, but thirteen-year-old Mikhail and his family are determined to keep the dog a dying man brought them, while his classmate Katia strives to learn his secret.</p>
<p><b>Scary Stories for Young Foxes</b> by Christian Heidicker</p> <p>FIC HEI</p>	<p>AR Level: 4.4</p> <p>AR Points: 9</p>		<p>A collection of six connected stories (told by a storyteller) that follows a group of fox kits as they fight to survive in an unforgiving wilderness.</p>
<p><b>Love That Dog</b> by Sharon Creech</p> <p>FIC CRE</p>	<p>AR Level: 4.5</p> <p>AR Points: 1</p>		<p>A young student, who comes to love poetry through a personal understanding of what different famous poems mean to him, surprises himself by writing his own inspired poem.</p>
<p><b>Bailey's Story</b> by Bruce Cameron</p> <p>Series: A Dog's Purpose</p> <p>FIC CAM</p>	<p>AR Level: 4.5</p> <p>AR Points: 5</p>		<p>When Bailey meets eight-year-old Ethan, he quickly figures out his purpose: to play with the boy, to explore the Farm during summers with the boy, and to tidy the boy's dishes by licking them clean (only when Mom isn't watching). But Bailey soon learns that life isn't always so simple--that sometimes bad things happen--and that there can be no greater purpose than to protect the boy he loves.</p>

<p><b>Adventures of a South Pole Pig</b> by Chris Kurtz</p> <p>FIC KUR</p>	<p>AR Level: 4.6</p> <p>AR Points: 6</p>		<p>Flora the pig ditches the sedentary life on the farm for an adventure in Antarctica, where she escapes the knife and lives her dream of pulling a sled with a team of dogs.</p>
<p><b>On the Road to Mr. Mineo's</b> by Barbara O'Connor</p> <p>FIC OCO</p>	<p>AR Level: 4.8</p> <p>AR Points: 3</p>		<p>From the moment she sees it, Stella wants to capture the one-legged pigeon and make it her pet. Enlisting the reluctant help of her neighbor Gerald, she begins planning how she might catch the bird, which she has already named Harvey. Trouble is, her older brother Levi and his friends also want to get ahold of the pigeon, along with a host of others; in fact, it seems the entire population of tiny Meadville, South Carolina, has designs on that pesky pigeon. Who will catch it? Will it wind up as a pigeon pie?</p>
<p><b>The Amazing Story of Adolphus Tips</b> by Michael Morpurgo</p> <p>FIC MAR</p>	<p>AR Level: 4.8</p> <p>AR Points: 4</p>		<p>When Boowie reads the diary that his grandmother sends him, he learns of her childhood in World War II England when American and British soldiers practiced for D-Day's invasion in the area of her home, and about her beloved cat, Adolphus Tip, and the cat's namesake.</p>
<p><b>Winnie's Great War</b> by Lindsay Mattick</p> <p>FIC MAT</p>	<p>AR Level: 4.8</p> <p>AR Points: 4</p>		<p>An imagining of the real journey undertaken by the extraordinary bear, from her early days in the Canadian forest to her travels with the Veterinary Corps across the country and overseas, all the way to the London Zoo, where she met Christopher Robin Milne and inspired the creation of Winnie-the-Pooh.</p>
<p><b>The Capture</b> by Kathryn Lasky</p> <p>Series: Guardians of Ga'Hoole</p> <p>FIC LAS</p>	<p>AR Level: 4.8</p> <p>AR Points: 7</p>		<p>A band of owls go on a quest for the mythic Great Ga'Hoole Tree in an attempt to acquire the powers that will enable them to defeat the evil which threatens their kingdom.</p>
<p><b>Maybe a Fox</b> by Kathi Appelt</p> <p>FIC APP</p>	<p>AR Level: 4.9</p> <p>AR Points: 5</p>		<p>When her sister Sylvie goes missing on a snowy morning and is never seen again, Jules refuses to believe she is gone forever, meanwhile, in the shadow world, a shadow fox is born.</p>

<p><b>Wolf Hollow</b> by Lauren Wolk</p> <p>FIC WOL</p>	<p>AR Level: 4.9</p> <p>AR Points: 9</p>		<p>Twelve-year-old Annabelle must learn to stand up for what's right in the face of a manipulative and violent new bully who targets people Annabelle cares about, including a homeless World War I veteran.</p>
<p><b>Blue Mountain</b> by Martine Leavitt</p> <p>FIC LEA</p>	<p>AR Level: 5</p> <p>AR Points: 4</p>		<p>Mankind encroaches upon the bighorn sheep's habitat; wolf and puma feed on their dwindling herd. Biggest lamb Tuk must save the herd by finding a way west to "blue mountain," a place he sees in visions and may not be real. With its omniscient third-person narrator and mythic feel, the book celebrates the power of story and the beauty of the mountain world.</p>
<p><b>The Mouse with the Question Mark Tail</b> by Richard Peck</p> <p>FIC PEC</p>	<p>AR Level: 5.0</p> <p>AR Points: 4</p>		<p>The tiniest mouse in the Royal Mews is such a mystery he doesn't even know his own name! He scampers off on an epic adventure in and around Buckingham Palace with a plan to seek the advice of Queen Victoria. The exhilarating journey takes him to strange and wonderful places, but will it help him discover who he is and where he came from? This delightful follow-up to the acclaimed <i>Secrets at Sea</i> from Newbery Medal winner Richard Peck is full of laughs, surprises and excitement.</p>
<p><b>My Big Fat Zombie Goldfish</b> by Mo O'Hara</p> <p>FIC OHA</p>	<p>AR Level: 5</p> <p>AR Points: 4</p>		<p>After Tom rescued Frankie the goldfish from his big brother Mark's toxic science experiment by zapping him back to life with a battery, Frankie somehow became a BIG FAT ZOMBIE GOLDFISH with dangerous hypnotic powers. Fortunately, Frankie has appointed himself Tom's bodyguard, and together, with a little help from their friends, they thwart Mark's Evil Scientist plans.</p>
<p><b>Toaff's Way</b> by Cynthia Voigt</p> <p>FIC VOI</p>	<p>AR Level: 5</p> <p>AR Points: 8</p>		<p>Toaff is a small squirrel full of big questions. When a winter storm separates him from his family, Toaff must make his own way in the world. It's a world filled with danger--from foxes and hawks and cats to cars and chainsaws. But also filled with delight--the dizzying scent of apple blossoms, the silvery sound of singing, the joy of leaping so far you're practically flying. Over the course of a year, Toaff will move into (and out of) many different dreys and dens, make some very surprising friends (and a few enemies), and begin to answer his biggest questions--what do I believe and where do I belong?</p>
<p><b>Pony</b> by R.J. Palacio</p> <p>FIC VOI</p>	<p>AR Level: 5.1</p> <p>AR Points: 9</p>		<p>About a boy on a quest to rescue his father, with only a ghost as his companion and a mysterious pony as his guide.</p>

<p><b>I, Freddy</b> by Dietlof Reiche</p> <p><i>Series: Golden Hamster Saga</i></p> <p>FIC REI</p>	<p>AR Level: 5.1</p> <p>AR Points: 4</p>		<p>Freddy, a remarkably intelligent golden hamster, learns how to read and how to write on a computer and escapes captivity to become an independent and civilized creature.</p>
<p><b>Harriet the Invincible</b> by Ursula Vernon</p> <p><i>Series: Hamster Princess</i></p> <p>FIC VER</p>	<p>AR Level: 5.1</p> <p>AR Points: 2</p>		<p>Never a conventional princess, Harriet becomes an adventurer after learning she is cursed to fall into a deep sleep on her twelfth birthday, but after two years of slaying ogres, cliff-diving, and more with her riding quail, Mumfrey, things go awry at home and she must seek a prince to set things right.</p>
<p><b>The Cheshire Cheese Cat</b> by Carmen Agra Deedy</p> <p>FIC DEE</p>	<p>AR Level: 5.1</p> <p>AR Points: 6</p>		<p>A community of mice and a cheese-loving cat form an unlikely alliance at London's Cheshire Cheese, an inn where Charles Dickens finds inspiration and Queen Victoria makes an unexpected appearance.</p>
<p><b>Young Fredle</b> by Cynthia Voigt</p> <p>FIC VOI</p>	<p>AR Level: 5.1</p> <p>AR Points: 8</p>		<p>Fredle, a young mouse cast out of his home, faces dangers and predators outside, makes some important discoveries and allies, and learns the meaning of freedom as he struggles to return home.</p>
<p><b>True Blue</b> by Jane Smiley</p> <p>FIC SMI</p>	<p>AR Level: 5.1</p> <p>AR Points: 11</p>		<p>In 1960s California, eighth-grader Abby Lovitt has trouble with True Blue, the newest horse on her family's ranch, a beautiful dappled gray who is so often spooked, Abby wonders if he is haunted by the ghost of his deceased former owner.</p>
<p><b>Song For a Whale</b> by Lynne Kelly</p> <p>FIC KEL</p>	<p>AR Level: 5.3</p> <p>AR Points: 9</p>		<p>Twelve-year-old Iris and her grandmother, both deaf, drive from Texas to Alaska armed with Iris's plan to help Blue-55, a whale unable to communicate with other whales.</p>

<p><b>A Good Horse</b> by Jane Smiley</p> <p>FIC SMI</p>	<p>AR Level: 5.3</p> <p>AR Points: 10</p>		<p>On her family's California horse ranch in the 1960s, eighth-grader Abby Lovitt faces the possibility of giving up her beloved colt, Jack, when it comes to light that his dam might have been stolen.</p>
<p><b>Everything For a Dog</b> by Ann M. Martin</p> <p>FIC MAR</p>	<p>AR Level: 5.4</p> <p>AR Points: 7</p>		<p>In parallel stories, Bone, an orphaned dog, finds and loses a series of homes, Molly, a family pet, helps Charlie through the grief and other after-effects of his brother's death, and lonely Henry pleads for a dog of his own.</p>
<p><b>The Cats of Roxville Station</b> by Jean Craighead George</p> <p>FIC GEO</p>	<p>AR Level: 5.4</p> <p>AR Points: 4</p>		<p>Thrown into a river by a cruel human, a young tiger-striped cat fights to survive amid feral cats and other creatures near Roxville train station, aided by Mike, an eleven-year-old foster boy who is not allowed to have a pet.</p>
<p><b>The Sign of the Cat</b> by Lynne Jonell</p> <p>FIC JON</p>	<p>AR Level: 5.4</p> <p>AR Points: 13</p>		<p>Duncan, eleven, is very smart with the rare ability to speak Cat, but his mother has always insisted he appear only average, and when a perfect test score draws attention to him, he not only discovers the wisdom of his mother's rules, he finds himself crossing the seas on a quest for his true identity.</p>
<p><b>Belly UP</b> by Stuart Gibbs</p> <p>Series: FunJungle</p> <p>FIC GIB</p>	<p>AR Level: 5.6</p> <p>AR Points: 10</p>		<p>Twelve-year-old Teddy investigates when a popular Texas zoo's star attraction--Henry the hippopotamus--is murdered.</p>
<p><b>The Royal Rabbits of London</b> by Santa Montefiore</p> <p>FIC MON</p>	<p>AR Level: 5.7</p> <p>AR Points: 4</p>		<p>When shy, quiet Shylo overhears the plan of a band of ratzis to embarrass the Queen, he must travel to Buckingham Palace and convince the Royal Rabbits of London to stop them.</p>

<p><b>Return to the Willows</b> by Jacqueline Kelly</p> <p>FIC KEL</p>	<p>AR Level: 6</p> <p>AR Points: 8</p>		<p>In this sequel to Kenneth Grahame's classic "The Wind in the Willows," the escapades continue for four animal friends who live along a river in the English countryside--Toad, Mole, Rat, and Badger.</p>
<p><b>Oh, Rats!</b> by Tom Seidler</p> <p>FIC SEI</p>	<p>AR Level: 6</p> <p>AR Points: 9</p>		<p>A New Jersey squirrel named Phoenix teams up with a pack of rats in New York City to save their riverside home from being demolished and turned into a high-rise.</p>
<p><b>The Nine Lives of Jacob Tibbs</b> by Cylin Busby</p> <p>FIC BUS</p>	<p>AR Level: 6.1</p> <p>AR Points: 11</p>		<p>The story of cat Jacob Tibbs, runt of the litter, and his exploits on the high seas as a ship's mouser.</p>