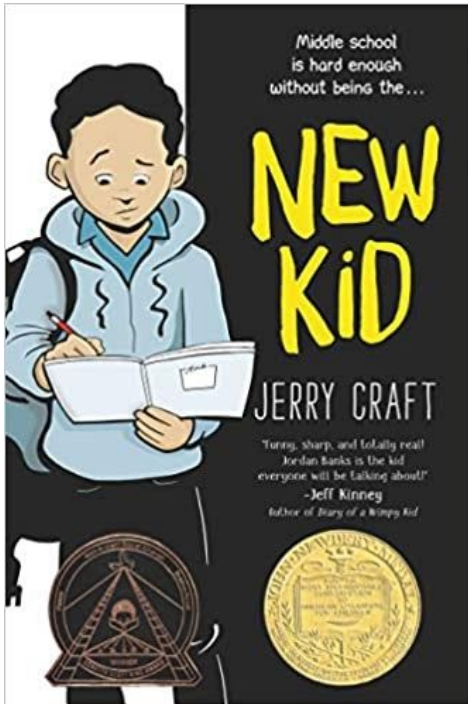


Junior Library Summer Reading list 2020

Here are some new or much-loved books by a variety of authors that you might like to try. All of the books on this list are also available in the [Sora collection](#).



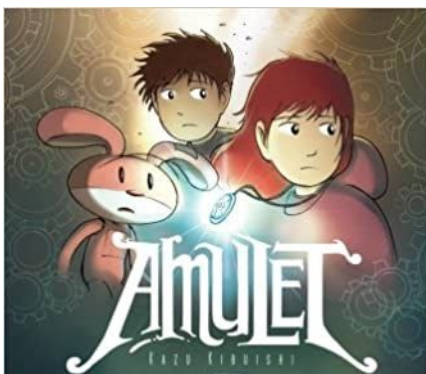
New Kid is a timely, honest graphic novel about starting over at a new school where diversity is low and the struggle to fit in is real, from award-winning author-illustrator Jerry Craft.

For realistic fiction, you may also enjoy, *Guts* by Raina Telgemeier



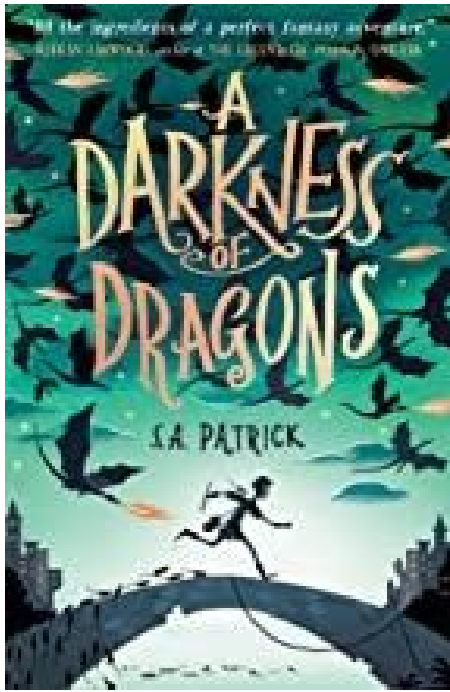
All 12-year-old Marinka wants is a friend. A real friend. Not like her house with chicken legs. Sure, the house can play games like tag and hide-and-seek, but Marinka longs for human companionship. Someone she can talk to and share secrets with.

For similar glorious and lyrical reads, try titles by Diana Wynne Jones.



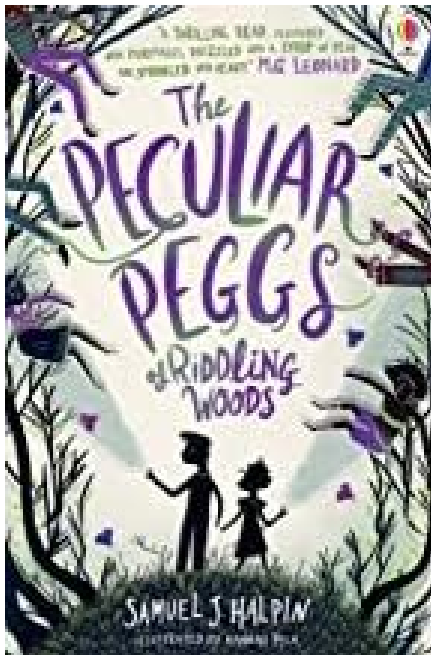
Graphic novel star Kazu Kibuishi creates a world of terrible, man-eating demons, a mechanical rabbit, a talking fox, a giant robot—and two ordinary children on a mission.

We also have the super popular *Roller Girl* by Victoria Jamieson and the hilarious *Last Kids on Earth* by Max Brallier on Sora.



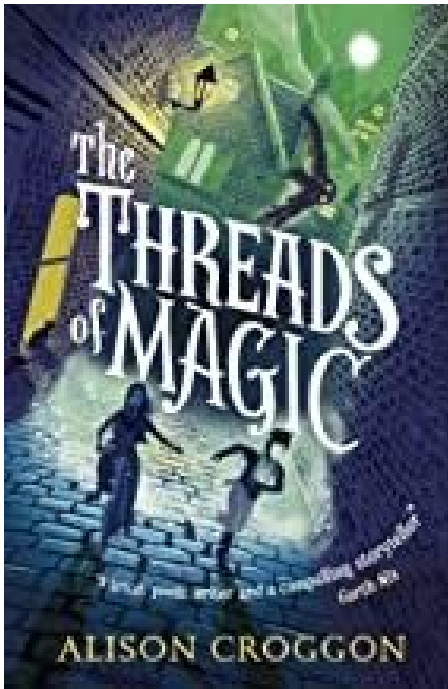
In a world of dragons, song spells, pipers and battles... Patch Brightwater is a boy in disgrace. Thrown in jail for playing a forbidden spell, he is no one's idea of a hero. But then he discovers a deadly truth - the evil Piper of Hamelyn is on the loose. With the help of Wren, a girl cursed to live as a rat, and Barver, a fire-breathing dracogriff, Patch must stop the Piper sparking the biggest battle of them all. Three accidental heroes versus one legendary villain... an epic adventure is born.

Fans of fantasy and adventure may also enjoy Alan Gardner's *The Weirdstone of Brisingamen* or *The Ogre Downstairs* by Diana Wynne Jones.



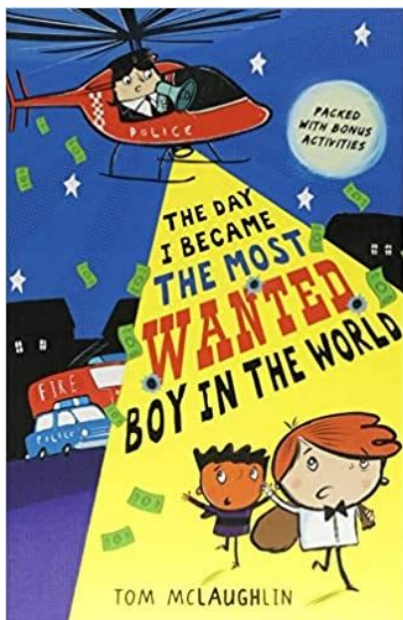
This is the story of a sleepy town called Suds. A place where stories fill the air of children who keep turning grey and disappearing without a trace...Poppy and Erasmus are certain there's something peculiar going on in Suds, and they're determined to unravel its secrets. But when they discover the answers might lie in the dark and twisting woods, can they find the courage to creep inside and solve this riddling mystery?

For beautiful, descriptive prose, read any of the titles by Katherine Rundell.



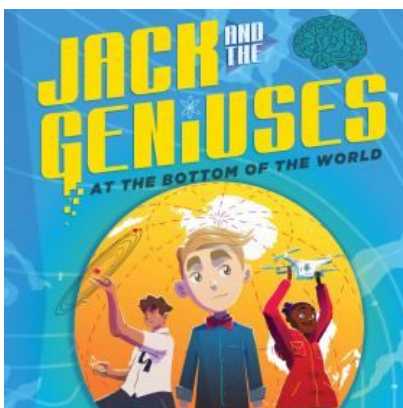
Pip lives on his wits in the city of Clarel. When he pickpockets the wrong man, he finds himself in possession of a strange object – a heart in a silver casket. What's more, the heart seems to be trying to communicate with Pip, and the royal officials who lost it will stop at nothing to get it back.

For more thrilling action-adventure, borrow Theodore Boone, Kid Lawyer Series.



There's nothing Pete loves more than sitting at home, being quiet and watching the snooker. But when he accidentally bumps into a local gangster, Pete and his super annoying next door neighbour, Sammy, are caught up in a series of events that get worse and worse at each and every turn. Now Pete is in a race against time to prove his innocence - but it's tricky to do that, especially when everyone thinks that you're the most wanted boy in the world.

For more laugh-out-loud funny titles, read Carl Hiasen's Flush Series and we have many titles by the fantastic comedy writer, Stuart Gibbs.



Meet Jack and his foster siblings, Ava and Matt, who are orphans. But they're not your typical kind of orphans - they're geniuses. Well, Ava and Matt are, which sometimes makes life difficult for twelve-year-old Jack. Ava speaks multiple languages and builds robots for fun, and Matt is into astronomy and a whiz at math. As for Jack, it's hard to stand out when he's surrounded by geniuses all the time.

Stuck in a world where everyone else seems crazy? You may enjoy Switched by Jen Calonita.

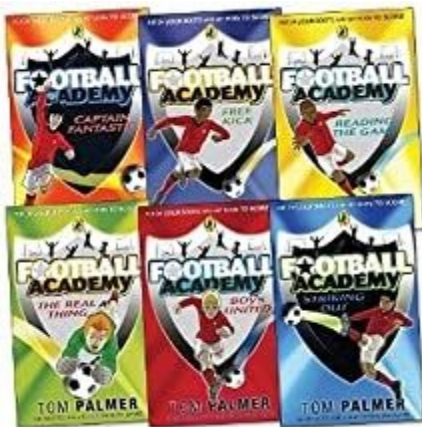


The first in an exciting new mystery series, this suspenseful debut brings readers on a journey filled with secrets, mystery, and unforgettable characters.

With a dad who disappeared years ago and a mother who's a bit too busy to parent, Emmy is shipped off to Wellsworth, a prestigious boarding school in England, where she's sure she won't fit in.

But then she finds a box of mysterious medallions in the attic of her home—medallions that belonged to her father. Her father who may have gone to Wellsworth.

Robin Stevens is best known for the Lady Most Unladylike Series. Also try Lena Jones, Agatha oddly for more crime and thrilling intrigue.



Combining on-pitch action with strong characters and lots of psychological insights into the obstacles and rivalries that the boys face, this is winning stuff from a Blue Peter Award nominee. The author, Tom Palmer, has worked with Booktrust and the National Literacy Trust, and was an official writer for the Premier League Reading Stars scheme.

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