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2018 Reading List

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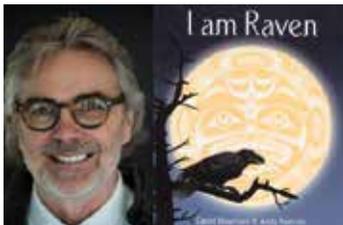
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DAVID BOUCHARD



I Am Raven

2007, MTW Publishers

Themes: legends, Indigenous, identity

ISBN: 9780978432706

Ages: 4-12

Seven Sacred Teachings

2009, MTW Publishers

Themes: legends, Indigenous, values

ISBN: 9780978432720

Ages: 4-12

Rainbow Crow

2012, Red Deer Press

Themes: legends, Indigenous, perseverance

ISBN: 9780889954588

Ages: 4-12

davidbouchard.com

LANA BUTTON



My Teacher's Not Here

2018, Kids Can Press

Themes: picture book, school, feelings

ISBN: 9781771383561

Ages: 3-7

Willow Finds a Way

2013, Kids Can Press

Themes: picture book, school, bullying

ISBN: 9781554538423

Ages: 3-7

Willow's Smile

2016, Kids Can Press

Themes: picture book, school, self-expression

ISBN: 9781771385497

Ages: 3-7

lanabutton.com

HEATHER CAMLOT



Clutch

2017, Red Deer Press

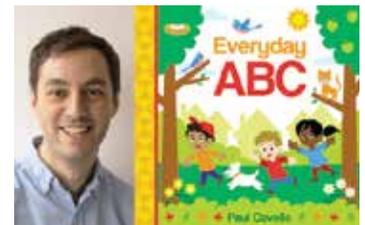
Themes: historical fiction, coming of age, family

ISBN: 9780889955486

Ages: 8-12

heathercamlot.com

PAUL COVELLO



Everyday ABC

2018, HarperCollins Canada

Themes: board book, literacy, alphabet

ISBN: 9781443454414

Ages: 0-4

Canada 123

2017, HarperCollins Canada

Themes: board book, Canada, numbers

ISBN: 9781443453813

Ages: 0-4

Canada ABC

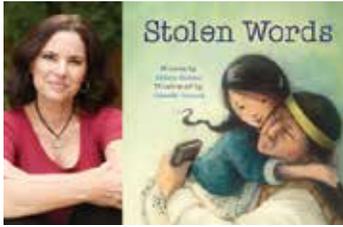
2016, HarperCollins Canada

Themes: board book, Canada, alphabet

ISBN: 9781443448840

Ages: 0-4

paulcovello.com

MELANIE FLORENCE**Stolen Words**

2017, Second Story Press
Themes: picture book, Indigenous, residential schools
ISBN: 9781772600377
Ages: 6-9

Missing Nimâmâ

2015, Clockwise Press
Themes: picture book, Indigenous, sensitive material
ISBN: 9780993935145
Ages: 8-12

He Who Dreams

2017, Orca Book Publishers
Themes: middle reader fiction, Indigenous, identity
ISBN: 19781459811027
Ages: 12-18

melanieflorence.com

SARA GENERAL**Treaty Baby**

2016, Spirit & Intent
Themes: picture book, Indigenous, treaties
ISBN: 9780994004765
Ages: 4-8

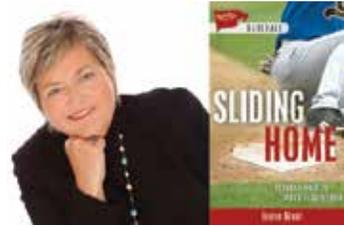
The Skeleton Key

2016, Spirit & Intent
Themes: young adult mystery, Indigenous, vampires
ISBN: 9780994004772
Ages: 14+

The Vampire Skeleton

2014, Spirit & Intent
Themes: young adult mystery, Indigenous, vampires
ISBN: 9780994004741
Ages: 14+

sarageneral.com

JOYCE GRANT**Sliding Home**

2018, Lorimer Kids & Teens
Themes: fiction, newcomer experiences, sports
ISBN: 9781459412842
Ages: 8-12

Tagged Out

2016, Lorimer Kids & Teens
Themes: fiction, sports, LGBTQ+
ISBN: 9781459410756
Ages: 8-12

Gabby: Wonder Girl

2016, Fitzhenry & Whiteside
Themes: picture book, early literacy, superheroes
ISBN: 9781554553846
Ages: 4-8

joycegrantauthor.com

VICKI GRANT**36 Questions That Changed My Mind About You**

2017, Running Press (Hachette Canada)
Themes: teen romance, family, relationships
ISBN: 9780762463183
Ages: 12-18

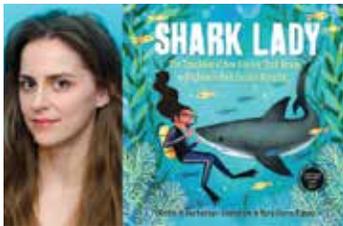
Short for Chameleon

2017, Harper Trophy Canada
Themes: mystery, identity, family
ISBN: 9781443448987
Ages: 12-18

Small Bones

2015, Orca Book Publishers
Themes: young adult fiction, mystery, identity
ISBN: 9781459806535
Ages: 12-18

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JESS KEATING**Shark Lady: The True Story of How Eugenie Clark Became the Ocean's Most Fearless Scientist**

2017, Sourcebooks
Themes: biography, women in STEM, marine biologists
ISBN: 9781492642046
Ages: 4-8

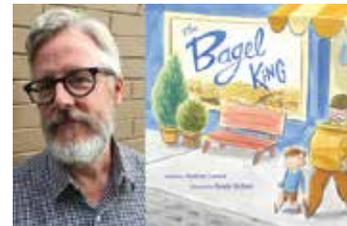
How to Outfox Your Friends

2015, Sourcebooks
Themes: fiction, friendship, identity
ISBN: 9781492617945
Ages: 8-12

How to Outswim a Shark

2014, Sourcebooks
Themes: fiction, identity, popularity
ISBN: 9781402297588
Ages: 8-12

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ANDREW LARSEN**The Bagel King**

2018, Kids Can Press
Themes: picture book, diversity, responsibility
ISBN: 9781771385749
Ages: 3-7

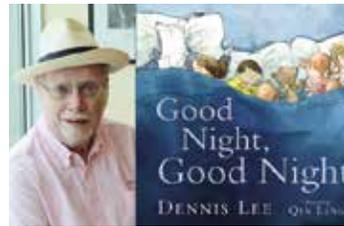
A Squiggly Story

2016, Kids Can Press
Themes: picture book, early literacy, imagination
ISBN: 9781771380164
Ages: 3-7

In the Tree House

2018, Kids Can Press
Themes: picture book, family, treehouses
ISBN: 9781525300172
Ages: 3-7

andrewlarsen.ca

DENNIS LEE**Good Night, Good Night**

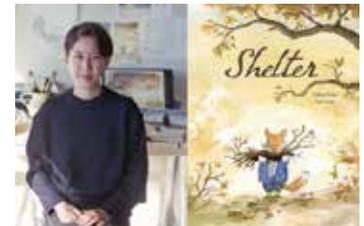
2018, HarperCollins Canada
Themes: picture book, poetry, bedtime
ISBN: 9781443411653
Ages: 0-5

Zoomberry

2016, HarperCollins Canada
Themes: picture book, poetry, bedtime
ISBN: 9781443411660
Ages: 0-5

Garbage Delight

2015, HarperCollins Canada
ISBN: 9781443446471
Themes: picture book, poetry, humour
Ages: 0-5

QIN LENG**Shelter**

2017, Kids Can Press
Themes: picture book, animals, community
ISBN: 9781771389273
Ages: 3-7

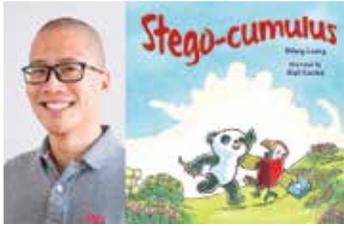
The Better Tree Fort

2018, Groundwood
Themes: picture book, treehouse, community
ISBN: 9781554988631
Ages: 4-8

Ordinary Extraordinary Jane Austen

2018, Balzer + Bray
Themes: picture book, biography, authors
ISBN: 9780062373304
Ages: 4-8

qinillustrations.com

HILARY LEUNG**Stego-cumulus**

2018, Scholastic
Themes: picture book, imagination, friendship
ISBN: 9781443157537
Ages: 4-8

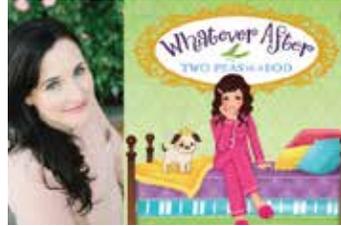
Will Bear Share?

2018, Scholastic
Themes: board book, animals, sharing
ISBN: 9781338215595
Ages: 0-3

Will Sheep Sleep?

2018, Scholastic
Themes: board book, animals, bedtime
ISBN: 9781338215625
Ages: 0-3

hilaryleung.com

SARAH MLYNOWSKI**Whatever After: Two Peas in a Pod**

2018, Scholastic
Themes: fiction, fairy tales, family
ISBN: 9781338162899
Ages: 8-12

Whatever After: Fairest of All

2012, Scholastic
Themes: fiction, fairy tales, family
ISBN: 97805485715
Ages: 8-12

Upside Down Magic

2016, Scholastic
Themes: fiction, magic, school
ISBN: 9780545800464
Ages: 8-12

sarahm.com

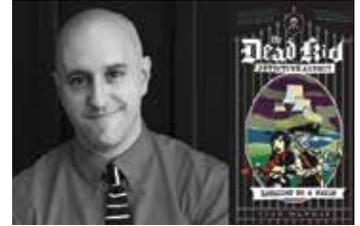
JENNIFER MOOK-SANG**Captain Monty Takes the Plunge**

2017, Kids Can Press
Themes: picture book, pirates, courage
ISBN: 9781771386265
Ages: 3-7

Speechless

2015, Scholastic
Themes: fiction, friendship, bullying
ISBN: 9781443142670
Ages: 8-12

jennifermooksang.com

EVAN MUNDAY**Loyalist to a Fault**

2015, ECW Press
Themes: mystery, Canadian history, ghosts
ISBN: 9781770410749
Ages: 8-12

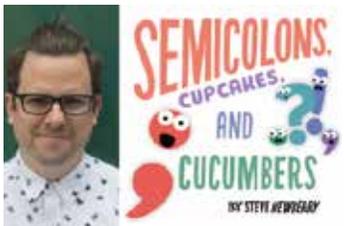
Dial M for Morna

2013, ECW press
Themes: mystery, Canadian history, ghosts
ISBN: 9781770410732
Ages: 8-12

Dead Kid Detective Agency

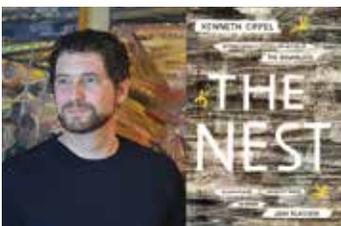
2011, ECW Press
Themes: mystery, Canadian history, ghosts
ISBN: 9781550229714
Ages: 8-12

idontlikemundays.com

STEVE NEWBERRY**Semicolons, Cupcakes, and Cucumbers**

2017, Innovation Press
Themes: picture book, punctuation, friendship
ISBN: 9781943147298
Ages: 4-8

scratchgarden.com

KENNETH OPPEL**The Nest**

2015, HarperCollins Canada
Themes: adventure fiction, family, horror
ISBN: 9781443438636
Ages: 8-12

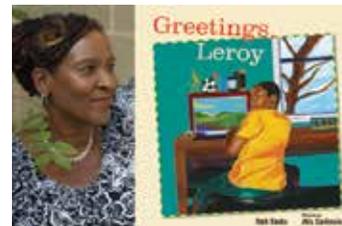
Every Hidden Thing

2016, HarperCollins Canada
Themes: historical fiction, sensitive material, action adventure
ISBN: 9781443410304
Ages: 12-18

The Boundless

2014, HarperCollins Canada
Themes: historical fiction, fantasy adventure, family
ISBN: 9781443410274
Ages: 8-12

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ITAH SADU**Greetings, Leroy**

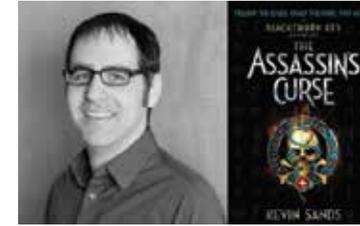
2017, Groundwood Books/House of Anansi Press
Themes: picture book, newcomer experiences, diversity
ISBN: 9781554987603
Ages: 4-8

Please Clean Up Your Room

2013, Scholastic Canada
Themes: picture book, family, bugs/spiders
ISBN: 9781443124355
Ages: 4-8

Christopher Changes His Name

2013, Scholastic Canada
Themes: picture book, humour, individuality
ISBN: 9781443124812
Ages: 4-8

KEVIN SANDS**The Assassin's Curse: Blackthorn Key #3**

2017, Simon & Schuster
Themes: historical fiction, friendship, secret societies
ISBN: 9781534405240
Ages: 8-12

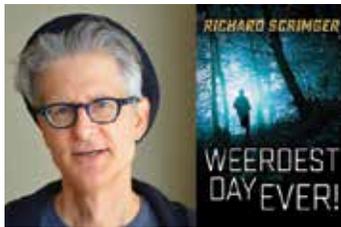
Mark of the Plague: Blackthorn Key #2

2016, Simon & Schuster
Themes: historical fiction, friendship, secret societies
ISBN: 9781481446754
Ages: 8-12

The Blackthorn Key

2015, Simon & Schuster
Themes: historical fiction, friendship, secret societies
ISBN: 9781481446525
Ages: 8-12

kevinsandsbooks.com

RICHARD SCRIMGER**Weerdest Day Ever**

2016, Orca Books
Themes: fiction, War of 1812, camping, humour
ISBN: 9781459811553
Ages: 9-12

Downside Up

2016, Tundra Books
Themes: fiction, family grief, alternate world, illusion/reality, dragons
ISBN: 9781770498457
Ages: 10+

Lucky Jonah

2016, HarperCollins Canada
Themes: fiction, identity, magic, inclusion, LGBT
ISBN: 978443410717
Ages: 8-12

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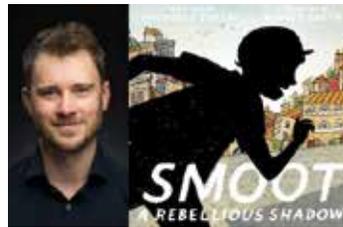
HEATHER SMITH**Ebb & Flow**

2018, Kids Can Press
Themes: fiction, family relationships, poetry
ISBN: 9781771388382
Ages: 9-12

The Agony of Bun O'Keefe

2017, Penguin Teen Canada
Themes: young adult fiction, family relationships, runaway teenagers
ISBN: 9780143198659
Ages: 12-18

heathertsmith.com

SYDNEY SMITH**Smoot: A Rebellious Shadow**

2017, Tundra
Themes: picture book, bravery, following dreams
ISBN: 9780735263567
Ages: 4-8

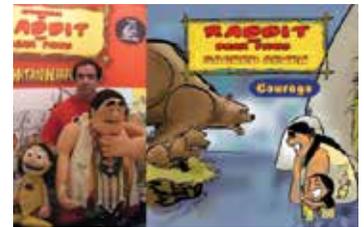
Town is by the Sea

2017, Groundwood
Themes: picture book, history, Maritimes
ISBN: 978554988716
Ages: 4-8

Sidewalk Flowers

2015, Groundwood
Themes: picture book, family, nature
ISBN: 9781554984312
Ages: 4-8

sydneydraws.ca

CHAD SOLOMON**Rabbit and Bear Paws: Sacred Seven - Courage**

2011, Little Spirit Bear Productions
Themes: First Nations, animals
ISBN: 9780986846205
Ages: 6 to 8

Adventures of Rabbit and Bear Paws: The Sugar Bush

2007, Little Spirit Bear Productions
Themes: graphic novel, First Nations, Canadian history
ISBN: 9780973990508
Ages: 8 to 12

Adventures of Rabbit and Bear Paws: The Voyageurs

2008, Little Spirit Bear Productions
Themes: graphic novel, First Nations, Canadian history
ISBN: 9780973990621
Ages: 8 to 12

rabbitandbearpaws.com

KEVIN SYLVESTER**MiNRS3**

2018, Simon & Schuster Canada
Themes: action-adventure fiction, space, friendship
ISBN: 9781501195280
Ages: 8-12

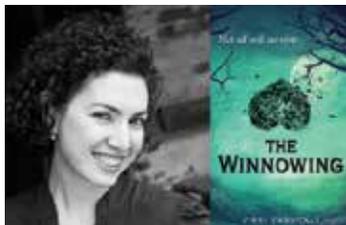
MiNRS2

2016, Simon & Schuster Canada
Themes: action-adventure fiction, space, friendship
ISBN: 9781481440431
Ages: 8-12

MiNRS

2015, Simon & Schuster Canada
Themes: action-adventure fiction, space, friendship
ISBN: 9781481440400
Ages: 8-12

kevinsylvesterbooks.com

VIKKI VANSICKLE**The Winnowing**

2017, Scholastic Canada
Themes: young adult fiction, government secrets, paranormal activity
ISBN: 9781443148863
Ages: 12+

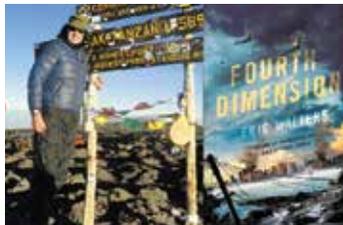
Summer Days, Starry Nights

2013, Scholastic Canada
Themes: young adult fiction, family issues, summer
ISBN: 9781443119917
Ages: 12+

Days That End in Y

2013, Scholastic Canada
Themes: young adult fiction, friendship, identity
ISBN: 9781443124324
Ages: 10-14

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ERIC WALTERS**Fourth Dimension**

2018, Penguin Teen
Themes: dystopian fiction, survival, science fiction
ISBN: 9780143198444
Ages: 12-18
Cover: provided

From the Heart of Africa

2018, Tundra Books
Themes: picture book, diversity, cultural proverbs
ISBN: 9781770497191
Ages: 4-12

The Rule of Three: Fight for Power

2014, Razorbill
Themes: dystopian fiction, technology, communities
ISBN: 9780143187530
Ages: 12-18

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