Brooks, Walter R.  
**Freddy the detective**  
FICTION BRO J  
Freddy the pig does some detective work in order to solve the mystery of a missing toy train.

Hamilton, Virginia  
**The house of Dies Drear**  
FICTION HAM J  
An African-American family tries to unravel the secrets of their new home which was once a stop on the Underground Railroad. Be sure to read also The mystery of Drear House: the conclusion of the Dies Drear chronicle.

Howe, Deborah  
**Bunnicula: a rabbit tale of mystery**  
FICTION HOW J  
Though scoffed at by Harold the dog, Chester the cat tries to warn his human family that their foundling baby bunny must be a vampire.

Child, Lauren  
**Utterly me, Clarice Bean**  
FICTION CHI J  
When someone steals the winner's trophy for the school book project, Clarice emulates her favorite book heroine, Ruby Redfort the detective.

Erickson, John R.  
**The original adventures of Hank the Cowdog**  
FICTION ERI J  
Hank the Cowdog, Head of Ranch Security, is framed for the murder of a chicken and becomes an outlaw with the coyotes. Book #1 of the "Hank the Cowdog" series.

Hale, Bruce  
**The chameleon wore chartreuse**  
FICTION HAL J  
When hired by a fellow fourth-grader to find her missing brother, Chet Gecko uncovers a plot involving a Gila monster's revenge upon the school football team. Book #1 of the "Chet Gecko" mysteries

Joose, Barbara  
**Dead guys talk**  
FICTION JOO J  
In the dead middle of summer, the Scarface Detectives investigate their creepiest case yet when a mysterious client send them to Oak Hill Cemetery, where Loonie Loraine is buried.

Kline, Suzy  
**Horrible Harry and the locked closet**  
FICTION KLI J  
Harry and his detective classmates try to find clues relating to a mysterious locked closet in Room 3B.

Kline, Suzy  
**Orp and the FBI**  
FICTION KLI J
Twelve-year-old Orville and his friend Derrick form their own detective agency and, with help from Orville’s younger sister Chloe, investigate the arrival of an unusual letter and the appearance of a mysterious intruder.

Konigsberg, E. L.  
**Up from Jericho Tel**  
FICTION KON J  
The spirit of a dead actress turns two children invisible and sends them out among a group of colorful street performers to search for a missing necklace.

Obrist, J"urg  
**Case closed?!: 40 mini mysteries for you to solve**  
FICTION OBR J  
The reader can use visual clues and deductive reasoning to help Daisy and Ridley solve forty puzzling mysteries.

Roy, Ron  
**The absent author**  
FICTION ROY J  
Dink Duncan and his two friends investigate the apparent kidnapping of famous mystery author Wallis Wallace. Book #1 of the "A to Z Mysteries"

Shipton, Paul  
**Bug Muldoon: the garden of fear**  
FICTION SHI J  
Something strange is going on in the garden and Bug Muldoon, beetle private investigator, tries to figure out how the ants and the wasps are involved.

Sobol, Donald J.  
**Still more two-minute mysteries**  
FICTION SOB J  
Readers test their detective skills as they and the famous sleuth Dr. Haledjian examine clues and attempt to solve sixty-three cases.

Sobol, Donald J.  
**Two-minute mysteries**  
FICTION SOB J  
79 quickie mysteries, filled with very tricky clues. Answer are given, if you need them.

Torrey, Michele  
**The case of the gasping garbage**  
FICTION TOR J  
Fourth-graders Drake Doyle and Nell Fossey combine their detective and scientific investigation skills to solve a variety of cases, involving a noisy garbage can, endangered frogs, a stuck truck, and a mysterious love letter. Includes a section of scientific experiments and activities. Book #1 "Doyle and Fossey, Science Detectives."

Wright, Betty Ren  
**Too many secrets**  
FICTION WRI J  
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 is spending so much time away from home.

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**Boy Detectives**

Horowitz, Anthony  
**The Falcon's Malteser: a Diamond brothers mystery**  
FICTION HOR J
After his older brother, a fledgling private detective, agrees to safeguard a package for a dwarf who does not live long, thirteen-year-old Nick scampers to solve the mystery while also trying to stay one step ahead of an assortment of thugs.

Howe, James  
*Eat your poison, dear*  
Young sleuth Sebastian and three friends probe the mystery of a poisoning in their school cafeteria.

Kline, Suzy  
*Orp and the FBI*  
Twelve-year-old Orville and his friend Derrick form their own detective agency and, with help from Orville’s younger sister Chloe, investigate the arrival of an unusual letter and the appearance of a mysterious intruder.

Sobol, Donald  
*Encyclopedia Brown, boy detective*  
Ten-year-old Leroy Brown, son of the police chief of Idaville, opens a detective agency and before the summer is over solves nine baffling cases, the solutions to which are found in the back of the book. Book #1 of the "Encyclopedia Brown" detective series.

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**Girl Detectives**

Adler, David A.  
*Cam Jansen and the mystery of the stolen diamonds*  
A fifth-grader with a photographic memory and her friend Eric help solve the mystery of the stolen diamonds. Book #1 of the "Cam Jansen Adventure" series

Bailey, Linda  
*How come the best clues are always in the garbage*  
When a thief steals money from her mom's Garbage Busters project, Stephanie, a sixth grader, identifies herself as "Stevie Diamond, Detective" and sets off to find the culprit.

Byars, Betsy  
*The dark stairs: a Herculeah Jones mystery*  
The intrepid Herculeah Jones helps her mother, a private investigator, solve a puzzling and frightening case.

Byars, Betsy  
*King of murder*  
Herculeah meets a murder mystery writer and has the uneasy felling that he knows more about murder than he should.

Carman, Patrick  
*The Dark Hills divide*  
Inquisitive twelve-year-old Alexa Daley is spending another summer in the walled town of Bridewell. This year, she is set on solving the mystery of what lies beyond the walls. Book #1 of "The Land of Elyon" trilogy.

Giff, Patricia Reilly  
*Kidnap at Catfish Café*
Assisted by her cat Max, sixth grader Minnie starts up her new detective agency by investigating a kidnapping and a thief who will steal anything, even a hot stove. Book #1 of "The Adventures of Minnie and Max" detective series.

Lement, Wendy  Keri Tarr cat detective  FICTION LEM J
Keri Tarr learns she can talk to cats, and she attempts to recover a cat who has stowed away on a plane to France.

Napoli, Donna Jo  Sly the Sleuth and the pet mysteries  FICTION NAP J
Sly the Sleuth, also known as Sylvia, solves three mysteries for her friends and neighbors, all involving pets, through her detective agency, Sleuth for Hire.

Van Draanen, Wendelin  Sammy Keyes and the hotel thief  FICTION VAN J
Thirteen-year-old Sammy's penchant for speaking her mind gets her in trouble when she involves herself in the investigation of a robbery at the "seedy" hotel across the street from the senior's building. Book #1 of the "Sammy Keyes" series

Balliett, Blue  Chasing Vermeer  FICTION BAL J
When seemingly unrelated and strange events start to happen and a precious Vermeer painting disappears, eleven-year-olds Petra and Calder combine their talents to solve an international art scandal.

Bellairs, John  The curse of the blue figurine  FICTION BEL J
Johnny Dixon is plunged into a terrifying mystery-adventure when he removes a blue figurine called a ushabti from church.

Byars, Betsy  Tarot says beware  FICTION BYA J
Herculeah Jones and her bumbling pal, Meat, investigate the murder of a palm reader.

Clifford, Eth  Flatfoot Fox and the case of the missing schoolhouse  FICTION CLI J
Flatfoot Fox and his faithful friend, Secretary Bird, help Principal Porcupine solve the mystery of the missing school. Look for other "Flatfoot Fox" mysteries.

Corbett, Sue  12 again  FICTION COR J
Twelve year old Patrick's mother is missing and unless he can get her back, he faces a life of waiting on his brother.

Crossman, D. A.  The secret of the missing grave  FICTION CRO J
Summering on a Maine island, thirteen-year-old Ab joins her friend Bean in investigating the odd noises in her boarding house and solving the mystery of a missing treasure and stolen paintings.

DeFelice, Cynthia C.  The ghost of Fossil Glen  FICTION DEF J
Allie Nichols knows she’s being pursued by a ghost, but none of her friends believe her. Only Dub, Allie’s oldest friend, listens eagerly as she tells him about the face in her mind’s eye of a girl that begs for help and a terrible nightmare in which the girl falls to her death. In this gripping ghost story, Allie soon discovers what role the dead girl wishes her to play.

Emerson, Scott  
**The case of the cat with the missing ear:**  
FICTION EME J

In 1887, in a San Francisco populated by dogs, retired veterinarian Dr. Edward R. Smithfield and his friend, Mr. Samuel Blackthorne, attempt to solve the mysterious disappearance of an unassuming accountant.

Estes, Eleanor  
**The alley**  
FICTION EST J

In the heart of Brooklyn, New York, there is an alley that is the most beautiful place to live in the whole wide world. Or so Connie Ives believes. The alley is the perfect location to sharpen Connie’s swinging skills, hold practices for the Alley Conservatory of Music, and convict a burglar by trial.

Fleischman, Sid  
**Jim Ugly**  
FICTION FLE J

The adventures of twelve-year-old Jake and Jim Ugly, his father's part-mongrel, part-wolf dog, as they travel through the Old West trying to find out what really happened to Jake's actor father.

Grossman, David  
**Duel: a mystery**  
FICTION GRO J

In Jerusalem, when elderly Mr. Rosenthal receives a threatening letter accusing him of stealing a painting and challenging him to a duel, twelve-year-old David needs to find who really stole it before someone gets hurt.

Haddix, Margaret Peterson  
**Running out of time**  
FICTION HAD J

When a diphtheria epidemic hits her 1840 village, thirteen-year-old Jessie discovers it is actually a 1995 tourist site under unseen observation by heartless scientists, and it’s up to Jessie to escape the village and save the lives of the dying children.

Hahn, Mary Downing  
**The dead man in Indian Creek**  
FICTION HAH

When Matt and Parker learn the body they found in Indian Creek is a drug-related death, they fear Parker's mother may be involved.

Hart, Alison  
**Shadow horse**  
FICTION HAR J

Thirteen-year-old Jas tries to prove that the owner of the farm where she works has killed her favorite horse, Whirlwind.

Hoeye, Michael  
**No time like show time: a Hermux Tantamoq adventure**  
FICTION HOE J

Watchmaker-mouse Hermux Tantamoq enters the exciting and somewhat shady world of show business to investigate a mysterious blackmailer at the Varmint Theater. Look for other Hermux Tantamoq adventures.
Hoeye, Michael  
**Time stops for no mouse**  
When Linka Perflinger, a jaunty mouse, brings a watch into his shop to be repaired and then disappears, Hermux Tantamoq is caught up in a world of dangerous search for eternal youth as he tries to find out what happened to her.

Holmes, Barbara Ware  
**Following Fake Man**  
During his summer in Maine, twelve-year-old Homer, together with his new friend Roger, is determined to find the truth about himself, his long-dead father, and a mysterious costumed man.

Howe, James  
**Dew drop dead: a Sebastian Barth mystery**  
While setting up a homeless shelter at the church, Sebastian and his friends, Corrie and David, solve the mystery of a dead man found in an abandoned inn.

Ibbotson, Eva  
**The Star of Kazan**  
After twelve-year-old Annika, a foundling living in 19th century Vienna, inherits a trunk of costume jewelry, a woman claiming to be her mother arrives and takes her to live in a strangely decrepit mansion in Germany.

Kimball, K. M.  
**The star-spangled secret**  
In 1814, as the War of 1812 threatens her Maryland home, thirteen-year-old Caroline sets out to discover the truth about the disappearance of her older brother.

Lawrence, Caroline  
**The thieves of Ostia: a Roman Mystery**  
In Rome in the year 79 A.D., a group of children from very different backgrounds work together to discover who beheaded a pet dog -- and why. Book #1 of the "Roman Mystery" series.

Leavey, Peggy Dymond  
**The deep end gang**  
When his military father is transferred from Winnipeg to a small town in Ontario, Martin Jessup and two of his new neighbors form a club called the Deep End Gang because they meet in an unfilled swimming pool, and investigate unexpected lights in an abandoned house.

Leppard, Lois Gladys  
**Mandie and the secret tunnel**  
In 1900, Mandie is searching her dead uncle’s mansion for a missing will when she finds a secret tunnel and strangers who claim to be her relatives. Book #1 of the "Mandie" mystery series.

Levy, Elizabeth  
**Something queer in the Wild West**  
While visiting her uncle’s ranch in New Mexico, Gwen follows her dog Fletcher at night to find out about the disappearance of a thoroughbred horse.

Martin, Terri  
**A family trait**
Living with her mother and grandparents on their Michigan farm, eleven-year-old Iris tries to find out about her father, who died before she was born, and to solve a local murder mystery involving a friend of her grandmother.

Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds  **Bernie Magruder and the bats in the belfry**  FICTION NAY J
Many residents of Middleburg, Indiana, are already going crazy from the ever-ringing church bells and now, after a bat is spotted in the hotel run by Bernie’s family, they worry that the dangerous Indiana Aztec bat has finally arrived.

Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds  **The treasure of Bessledorf Hill**  FICTION NAY J
The people of Middleburg search for buried treasure around Bessledorf Hill and the Bessledorf Hotel.

Nickerson, Sara  **How to disappear completely and never be found**  FICTION NIC J
With a swimming medal, the key to a mansion, and a comic book about a half-man/half-rat as her only clues, a twelve-year-old girl seeks the true story of her father's mysterious death four years earlier near an island in the Pacific Northwest.

Nixon, Joan Lowery  **Gus and Gertie and the missing pearl**  FICTION NIX J
Arriving for a vacation on Holiday Island, penguins Gus and Gertie stumble into a hotel full of Bad Guys and have a beautiful, valuable deep-sea pearl stolen from them.

Reiche, Dietlof  **Ghost ship: a novel**  FICTION REI J
An eighteenth-century figurehead, the journal of a ship’s quartermaster, and supernatural occurrences at a seaside resort lead twelve-year-old Vicki and her friend Peter on a quest to lift a curse and set right a horrible deed committed two hundred and thirty years in the past.

Roberts, Willo Davis  **Caught!**  FICTION ROB J
When Vickie and her sister arrive at their father's apartment, they find only a photo, a pipe, and wet bloodstains on the carpet.

Roberts, Willo Davis  **Scared Stiff**  FICTION ROB J
When their mother disappears, two brothers go to stay with a great uncle in a mobile home park next to an abandoned amusement park and begin a search which puts them in danger.

Scheffler, Ursel  **The spy in the attic**  FICTION SCH J
After he sees some unusual late-night deliveries, Martin’s active imagination has him and his friends convinced that the man who has recently moved into the attic apartment should be watched.

Skurzynski, Gloria  **Wolf stalker**  FICTION SKU J
Twelve-year-old Jack, his younger sister, and the family's teenage foster child Troy go to Yellowstone National Park, where Jack's mother, a wildlife veterinarian, is investigating the report that wolves reintroduced to the park have killed a dog there. Book # 1 of the "National Parks Mystery" series.

Stanley, Diane  The mysterious matter of I.M. Fine  FICTION STA J
Noticing that a popular series of horror novels is having a bizarre effect on the behavior of its readers, Franny and Beamer set out to find the mysterious author.

Wallace, Barbara Brooks  The twin in the tavern  FICTION WAL J
A young orphan, afraid of being sent to the workhouse, finds himself at the mercy of the unsavory owner of a tavern in Alexandria, Virginia, while he tries to solve the mystery surrounding his past and a missing twin.

Wallace, Bill  Blackwater Swamp  FICTION WAL J
Having discovered the true nature of the old woman known as the Witch of Blackwater Swamp, fifth grader Ted must decide whether to come to her aid when she is accused of the thefts plaguing his small Louisiana town.

Warner, Gertrude Chandler  The boxcar children  FICTION WAR J
Four orphans take shelter in an old boxcar during a storm, and, determined to make it their own, they turn it into a safe, cozy home. Book #1 of the "Boxcar Children" mystery series.

Whybrow, Ian  Little Wolf: forest detective  FICTION WHY J
Through a series of letters to his parents, Little Wolf relates his adventures as a member of Yelloweyes Forest Detective Agency, crime solvers of the Frettnin Forest, as they investigate a series of mysterious disappearances.

Wright, Betty Ren  A ghost in the family  FICTION WRI J
While visiting his friend Jeannie's eccentric Aunt Rosebud in a boarding house that may be haunted, ten-year-old Chad comes across a mystery involving a missing diamond bracelet.

Wright, Betty Ren  The dollhouse murders  FICTION WRI J
A dollhouse filled with a ghostly light in the middle of the night and dolls that have moved from where she last left them lead Amy and her developmentally disabled sister to unravel the mystery surrounding grisly murders that took place years ago.

Wright, Betty Ren  The ghosts of Mercy Manor  FICTION WRI J
Twelve-year-old Gwen, an orphan who comes to live with the Mercy family, discovers that the house is haunted by the ghost of a sad-looking young girl and is determined to solve the mystery behind her appearances.