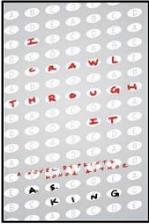


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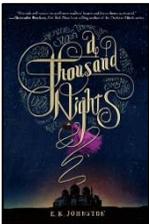
**I Crawl Through It by A.S. King- Little Brown Young Readers- 978-0-316-33409-9- HC- \$21.50- Young Adult Fiction- 336 pp.– September 2015- Ages 15+**

Four teenagers are on the verge of exploding. The anxieties they face at every turn have nearly pushed them to the point of surrender: senseless high-stakes testing, the lingering damage of past trauma, the buried grief and guilt of tragic loss. They are desperate to cope, but no one is listening. So they will lie. They will split in two. They will turn inside out. They will even build an invisible helicopter to fly themselves far away...but nothing releases the pressure. Because, as they discover, the only way to truly escape their world is to fly right into it.



**Every Last Word by Tamara Ireland Stone- Disney-Hyperion- 978-0-1-4847-0527-8- HC- \$18.99- Young Adult Fiction- 368 pp. - June 2015- Ages 12+**

Samantha has a secret that her friends would never understand: Sam has Purely-Obsessional OCD and is consumed by a stream of dark thoughts and worries that she can't turn off. So when Sam meets Caroline, she has to keep her new friend a secret, right up there with Sam's weekly visits to her psychiatrist. Slowly, Sam begins to feel more "normal" than she ever has as part of the popular crowd . . . until she finds a new reason to question her sanity and all she holds dear.



**A Thousand Nights by E.K. Johnston - Disney-Hyperion- 978-1-4847-2227-5- HC- \$19.99- Young Adult Fiction- 336 pp.- October 2015- Ages 14+**

A dazzling retelling of *Arabian Nights*, *A Thousand Nights* is a tale of family, love and power that would not feel out of place if Scheherazade herself were telling it. And maybe she is...



**Six Impossible Things by Fiona Wood- Little Brown Young Readers- 978-0-316-24216-5- HC- \$21.50- Young Adult Fiction- 304 pp.- August 2015- Ages 12+**

Nerd-boy Dan Cereill is not quite coping with a whole heap of problems, including a reversal of family fortune, moving, new-school hell, a mother with a failing wedding cake business, a just-out gay dad, and a massive crush on Estelle, the girl next door. His life is a mess, but for now he's narrowed it down to just six impossible things...



**The Thing About Jellyfish by Ali Benjamin- Little Brown Young Readers- 978-0-316-38086-7- HC- \$20.50- Middle Grade Fiction- 352 pp.- September 2015- Ages 8-12**

After her best friend dies in a drowning accident, Suzy is convinced that the true cause of the tragedy was a rare jellyfish sting. Retreating into a silent world of imagination, she crafts a plan to prove her theory--even if it means traveling the globe, alone. Suzy's achingly heartfelt journey explores life, death, the astonishing wonder of the universe...and the potential for love and hope right next door.



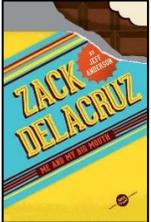
**Brilliant by Roddy Doyle- Amulet Books- 978-1-4197-1479-5- HC- \$19.95- Middle Grade Fiction- 192 pp.- September 2015- Ages 8-12**

The Black Dog of Depression has descended over the adults of Dublin. Uncles are losing their businesses, dads won't get out of bed, mothers no longer smile at their children. Siblings Raymond and Gloria have had enough and set out one night with one goal in mind: to stop the Black Dog, whatever it takes. In a chase through the streets and parks and beaches of Dublin, the children run after the Black Dog, and soon dozens, then hundreds, then thousands of kids join in their fight.



**The League of Unexceptional Children by Gitty Daneshvari- Little Brown Young Readers- 978-0-316-40570-6- HC- \$20.50- Middle Grade Fiction- 240 pp. – October 2015- Ages 8-12**

What *is* the League of Unexceptional Children? I'm glad you asked. You didn't ask? Well, you would have eventually and I hate to waste time. The League of Unexceptional Children is a covert network that uses the nation's most average, normal, and utterly unexceptional children as spies. Why the average kids? Why not the brainiacs? Or the beauty queens? Or the jocks? It's simple: People *remember* them. But not the unexceptionals. They are the forgotten ones. Until now!



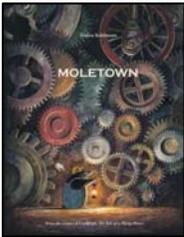
**Zack Delacruz: Me and My Big Mouth by Jeff Anderson- Sterling Children's Books- 978-1-4549-1499-0- HC- \$14.95- Middle Grade Fiction- 176 pp. - August 2015- Ages 8-12**

Zack is unnoticed at his middle school—and that's just the way he likes it. But a school assembly, a typhoon of spit, and an uncharacteristic moment of bravery are all it takes to change everything. Suddenly Zack is in charge of the class fundraiser. Worse, his partner is the school's biggest bully! If they don't sell all the chocolate bars, there will be no dance for the sixth grade. Zack never wanted to be a hero, but with his classmates' hopes on the line, can he save the day?



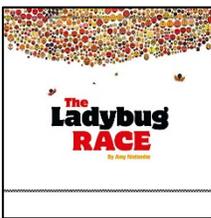
**Mother Bruce by Ryan T. Higgins- Disney-Hyperion- 978-1-4847-3088-1- HC- \$18.99- Picture Book- 48 pp.- November 2015- Ages 3-5**

Bruce the bear likes to keep to himself. That, and eat eggs. But when his hard-boiled goose eggs turn out to be real, live goslings, he starts to lose his appetite. And even worse, the goslings are convinced he's their mother. Bruce tries to get the geese to go south, but he can't seem to rid himself of his new companions. What's a bear to do?



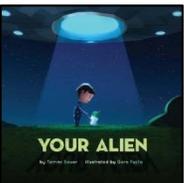
**Moletown by Torben Kuhlmann- NorthSouth- 978-0-7358-4208-3- HC- \$18.95- Picture Book- 32 pp.- October 2015- Ages 4-8**

Torben Kuhlmann's stunningly illustrated, nearly wordless tale offers a fascinating window into an imaginary, yet hauntingly familiar world under our feet, where a mole suddenly recognizes the precarious balance between progress and preservation. Kuhlmann's open ended text encourages thoughtful exploration into possible solutions, and his delightful endpapers depict a montage of solutions that could very well save the moles' world and ours.



**The Ladybug Race by Amy Nielander- Pomegranate- 978-0-7649-7187-7- HC- \$23.95- Picture Book- 40 pp.- July 2015- Ages 2-5**

Hundreds of ladybugs red, orange, brown, yellow, and black race across the pages of this book, each one hoping to be the first to cross the finish line! It's harder than you might think. Will the winner be the fastest? Or the kindest? Maybe there will be more than one winner. What does it mean to win, anyway? Ladybugs don't speak our language, so there are no words to this story. Just pictures. Turn the pages and watch the bugs compete in this surprisingly exciting race.



**Your Alien by Tammi Sauer- Sterling Children's Books- 978-1-4549-1129-6- HC- \$16.95- Picture Book- 32 pp.- August 2015- Ages 3-5**

When a little boy meets a stranded alien child, the two instantly strike up a fabulous friendship. They go to school, explore the neighborhood, and have lots of fun. But at bedtime, the alien suddenly grows very, very sad. Can the boy figure out what his new buddy needs most of all? This funny, heartwarming story proves that friends and family are the most important things in the universe . . . no matter who or where you are.

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