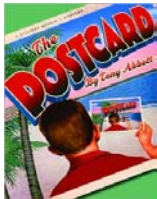




Spine-Tingling Mysteries for Kids

Updated: by [Carrie Kelley](#) 5/09

Scary and some not-so scary mystery and detective stories for elementary school children.



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The Postcard

By Tony Abbott, **358 p.**

JF Abbott

A creepy phone call. An old postcard. And an odd group of people that follow his every move. All these are clues that will help Jason uncover a strange family mystery.



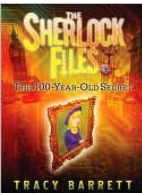
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Cam Jansen Mysteries

By David Adler, **58 p.**

JF Adler

Cam Jansen is only nine-years-old, but she's always ready to solve a mystery with her photographic memory.



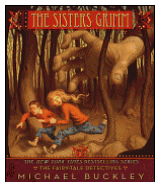
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The 100-Year Old Secret (Sherlock Holmes Files # 1)

By Tracy Barrett, **160 p.**

JF Barrett

Sherlock Holmes' great-grandchildren get a hold of his old unsolved case book and try to solve the mysterious disappearance of a famous painting.



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The Fairy Tale Detectives

By Michael Buckley, **290 p.**

JF Buckley

Orphans Sabrina and Daphne Grimm are sent to live with an eccentric grandmother that they have always believed to be dead.



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Chasing Vermeer

By Blue Balliett, **254 p.**

JF Baillett

When a Vermeer painting is stolen, Petra and Calder combine their talents to solve this international art scandal.





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Shakespeare's Secret

By Elise Broach, **250 p.**

JF Broach

Hero discovers a mysterious connection between a diamond, a nosy neighbor and a cute boy. Oh, and Shakespeare, too.



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To Catch a Burglar (Dog Watch series)

By Mary Casanova, **132 p.**

JF Casanova

Kito and the Dog Watch Team must track down a neighborhood burglar.



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Room One: A Mystery or Two

By John Clements, **162 p.**

JF Clements

Ted, the only 6th grader in his one room schoolhouse, searches for clues on the disappearance of a homeless family.



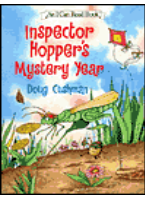
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Half-Moon Investigations

By Eoin Colfer, **290 p.**

JF Colfer

When Fletcher Moon, the world's youngest detective, is framed for a crime he did not commit, he must solve the case before the police arrest him.



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Inspector Hopper

By Doug Cushman, **64 p.**

JE Cushman

Inspector Hopper and Mr. McBugg, both top notch insectives, always solve their mysteries.



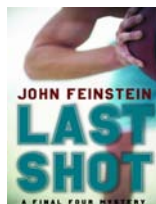
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Hank the Cowdog series

By John Erickson, **160 p.**

JF Erickson

Hank, a cowdog, tells how he solves all the mysteries on his Texas ranch and still has time to keep the cowboys in line.



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Last Shot

By John Feinstein, **251 p.**

JF Feinstein

Stevie discovers that a key player is being blackmailed into throwing the final game of a championship basketball game.





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Wait Till Helen Comes

By Mary Downing Hahn, **192 p.**

JF Hahn

Molly and Michael dislike their new stepsister, Heather, but still want to save her before she follows a ghost child to her doom.



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The Chet Gecko Mysteries

By Bruce Hale, **98 p.**

JF Hale

Meet Chet Gecko, the world's greatest lizard detective.



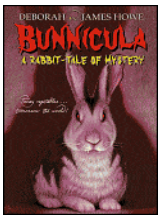
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The Postman Always Brings Mice

By Holm & Hamel, **129 p.**

JF Holm

A dashing British cat spy uncovers a crime thicker than a bowl of cream. And so this "tail" of mystery begins...



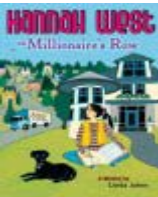
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Bunnacula

By James Howe, **98 p.**

JF Howe

Harold the shaggy dog tries to warn his family that their sweet-looking bunny is really a vampire.



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Hannah West Mysteries

By Linda Johns, **162 p.**

JF Johns

While house-sitting, Hannah, a sleuth-in-training, gets caught in a rash of break-ins plaguing some mansions on Seattle's Millionaire's Row.



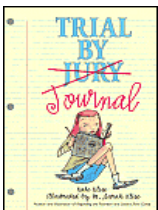
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The Nancy Drew Mysteries

By Carolyn Keene, **180 p.**

JF Keene

Nancy solves her first mystery when she finds clues that lead to the discovery of Josiah Crowley's missing will.



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Trial by Journal

By Kate Klise, **238 p.**

JF Klise

While on the jury for a murder trial, Lily conducts her own private investigation of the crime.





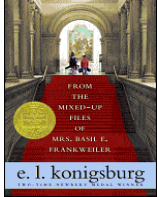
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The 39 Clues series

By Gordon Korman, **215 p.**

JF Series Area

Join the race to see if you can solve the 39 clues that lead to a pile of treasure before the Cahill clan does!



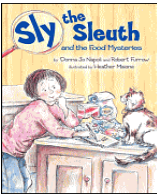
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From the Mixed Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler

By E.L. Konigsburg, **162 p.**

JF Konigsburg

Claudia and her brother solve an old mystery while living for a week in the New York Metropolitan Museum of Art.



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Sly the Sleuth Mysteries

By Donna Jo Napoli, **128 p.**

JF Napoli

Sly uses her detective skills to help her friends solve the case of something fishy, something cooking, and something seedy.



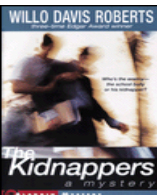
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The Westing Game

By Ellen Raskin, **174 p.**

JF Raskin

Someone will become an instant millionaire if they can just figure out the clues in Sam Westing's will.



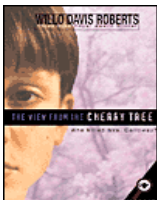
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Kidnappers

By Willo Davis Roberts, **137 p.**

JF Roberts

No one believes Joey when he claims to have witnessed the kidnapping of the class bully outside his school.



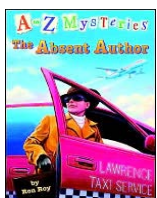
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The View From the Cherry Tree

By Willo Davis Roberts, **187 p.**

JF Roberts

Rob witnesses the murder of his next door neighbor but can find no one who will believe him – except the killer.



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A to Z Mysteries

By Rob Roy, **86 p.**

JF Roy

Dink Duncan and his two friends investigate the kidnapping of a famous mystery author.





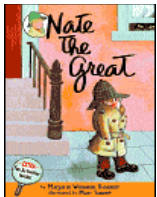
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The Invention of Hugo Cabret

By Brian Selznick, **533 p.**

Caldecott Award Area JF Selznick

Hugo, an orphan living in the walls of a Paris train station, solves the mystery of a toymaker and the mechanical man.



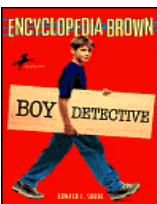
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Nate the Great Mysteries

By Marjorie Sharmat, **60 p.**

JE Sharmat

Pancake-lover Nate the Great solves the mystery of the missing picture.



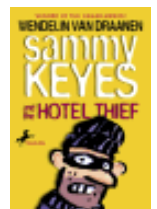
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Encyclopedia Brown, Boy Detective

By Donald Sobol, **83 p.**

JF Sobol

See if you can solve the mysteries before Encyclopedia Brown.



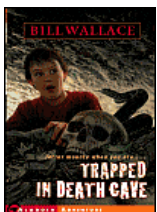
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Sammy Keyes Mysteries

By Wendelin Van Draanen, **168 p.**

JF Van Draanen

Sammy discovers a number of not-so-nice secrets about a hotel across the street from her home.



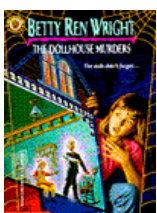
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Trapped in Death Cave

By Bill Wallace, **151 p.**

JF Wallace

Gary knows his grandfather was murdered because of a lost treasure, and now Gary sets out to find the killer and the gold.



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The Dollhouse Murders

By Betty Ren Wright, **148 p.**

JF Wright

A dollhouse filled with ghostly lights and dolls that move on their own help Amy to solve a gruesome murder.