

MYTHOLOGY RETOLD

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Books based on myths from around the world.

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Juvenile Fiction



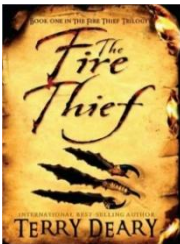
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The Coming of the Dragon

By Rebecca Barnhouse

Call #: JF Barnhouse

Rune, an orphaned young man raised among strangers, tries to save the kingdom from a dragon that is burning the countryside and, along the way, learns that he is a kinsman of Beowulf.



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The Fire Thief

By Terry Deary

Call #: JF Deary

Retelling of the tale of Prometheus, in which Prometheus becomes a time traveller in order to escape the wrath of the gods and befriends a Victorian orphan.



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Iris, Messenger

By Sarah Deming

Call #: JF Deming

After discovering that the immortals of Greek mythology reside in her hometown of Middleville, Pennsylvania, 12-year-old Iris listens to their life stories, gaining wisdom, beauty, and startling revelations about her past.



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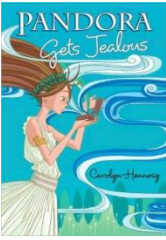
Runemarks

By Joanne Harris

Call #: JF Harris

Maddy Smith, who bears the mysterious mark of a rune on her hand, learns that she is destined to join the gods of Norse mythology and play a role in the fate of the world.





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Pandora Gets Jealous

By Carolyn Hennesy

Call #: JF Hennesy

Thirteen-year-old Pandy is hauled before Zeus and given six months to gather all of the evils that were released when the box she brought to school as her annual project was accidentally opened.



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Athena the Brain

By Joan Holub

Call #: JF Holub

Athena learns that she is a goddess when she is summoned to Mount Olympus by her father, Zeus, and she must quickly adjust to her new status, make friends with the other godboys and goddessgirls, and catch up with all the studies she missed while attending mortal school.



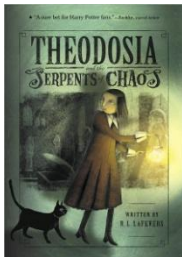
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Runewarriors

By Jim Jennewein

Call #: JF Jennewein

In an ancient and mystical time, 14-year-old Dane joins forces with his rival, Jarl the Fair, to retrieve the Shield of Odin and Astrid, the girl they love, from the tyrant Thidrick, fulfilling a destiny long foretold.



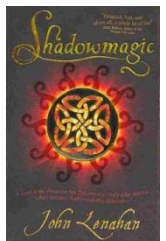
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Theodosia and the Serpents of Chaos

By R. L. La Fevers

Call #: JF La Fevers

Twelve-year-old Theo uses arcane knowledge and her own special talent when she encounters two secret societies, one sworn to protect the world from ancient Egyptian magic and one planning to harness it to bring chaos to the world, both of which want a valuable artifact stolen from the London museum for which her parents work.



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Shadowmagic

By John Lenahan

Call #: JF Lenahan

Conor thought he was an average teenager. OK, so his father only had one hand, spoke to him in ancient languages and was a bit on the eccentric side but, other than that, life was fairly normal. Until, that is, two Celtic warriors on horseback and wearing full armor appear at his front door and try to kill him.



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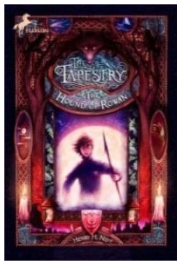
Have a Hot Time, Hades!

By Kate McMullan

Call #: JF McMullan

In this story with a modern twist, Hades tells his own version of how he became King of the Underworld and Zeus became King of the Gods.





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The Hound of Rowan

By Henry H. Neff

Call #: JF Neff

After glimpsing a hint of his destiny in a mysterious tapestry, 12-year-old Max McDaniels becomes a student at Rowan Academy, where he trains in "mystics and combat" in preparation for war with an ancient enemy that has been kidnapping children like him.



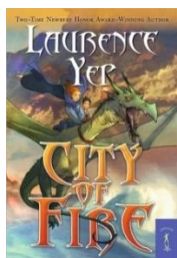
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The Shadow Thieves

By Anne Ursu

Call #: JF Ursu

After her cousin Zee arrives from England, 13-year-old Charlotte and he must set out to save humankind from denizens of the underworld, Nightmares, Death, Pain, and a really nasty guy named Phil.



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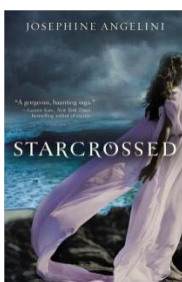
City of Fire

By Laurence Yep

Call #: JF Yep

Twelve-year-old Sciryce and her companions travel to Houlani, a new Hawaiian island created by magic, where they enlist the help of volcano goddess Pele in an attempt to stop an evil dragon and a mysterious man from altering the universe.

Young Adult Fiction



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Starcrossed

By Josephine Angelini

Call #: YF Angelini

When shy 16-year-old Helen Hamilton starts having vivid dreams about three ancient, hideous women and suddenly tries to kill a new student at her Nantucket high school, she discovers that she is playing out some version of an old tale involving Helen of Troy, the Three Furies, and a mythic battle.



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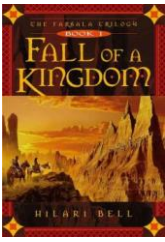
King of Ithaka

By Tracy Barrett

Call #: YF Barrett

When 16-year-old Telemachos and his two best friends, one a centaur, leave their life of privilege to undertake a quest to find Telemachos's father Odysseus, they learn much along the way about what it means to be a man and a king.





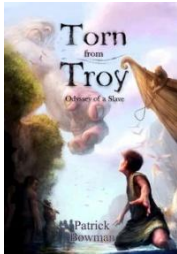
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Fall of a Kingdom

By Hilari Bell

Call #: YF Bell

When the rulers mistakenly believe that they can destroy the evil force approaching Farsala, Jiaan, Soraya, and Kavi must find a way on their own to stop their town from being led into the Flames of Destruction.



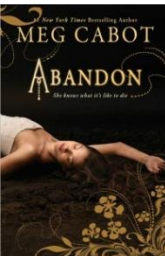
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Torn from Troy

By Patrick Bowman

Call #: YF Bowman

Alexi is a 15-year-old Trojan boy. Orphaned by the war and enslaved by Odysseus himself, Alexi has a very different view of the conquering heroes of legend. Despite a simmering anger towards his captors, Alexi gradually develops a grudging respect for them.



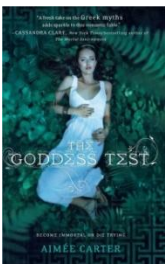
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Abandon

By Meg Cabot

Call #: YF Cabot

A near-death experience, a horrible incident at school, and a move from Connecticut to Florida have turned 17-year-old Pierce's life upside-down, but when she needs him most John Hayden is always there, helping but reminding her of her visit to the Underworld.



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The Goddess Test

By Aimee Carter

Call #: YF Carter

When Henry—a mysterious boy who claims to be Hades, god of the underworld—makes a deal with Kate to help save her mother's life, Kate must pass seven tests and become Henry's immortal lover, or die trying.



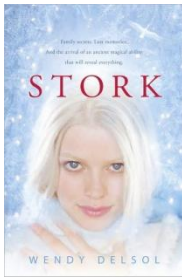
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Sweet Venom

By Tera Lynn Childs

Call #: YF Childs

As monsters walk the streets of San Francisco, unseen by humans, three teenaged descendants of Medusa, the once-beautiful gorgon maligned in Greek mythology, must reunite and embrace their fates.



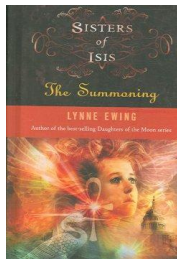
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Stork

By Wendy Delsol

Call #: YF Delsol

After her parents' divorce, Katla and her mother move from LA to Norse Falls, Minnesota, where Kat immediately alienates two boys at her high school and, improbably, discovers a kinship with a mysterious group of elderly women—the Icelandic Stork Society—who "deliver souls."



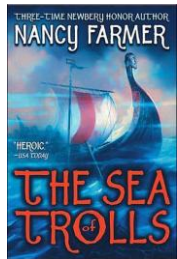
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The Summoning

By Lynne Ewing

Call #: YF Ewing

Three 15-year-old girls living in Washington D.C. learn that they are the direct descendants of Egyptian pharaohs, with special powers that will allow them to battle demonic members of the Cult of Anubis, who are trying to return the universe to the chaos from which it sprung.



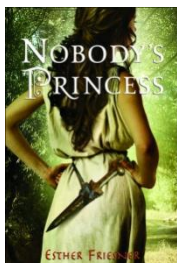
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The Sea of Trolls

By Nancy Farmer

Call #: YF Farmer

After Jack becomes apprenticed to a Druid bard, he and his little sister Lucy are captured by Viking Berserkers and taken to the home of King Ivar the Boneless and his half-troll queen, leading Jack to undertake a vital quest to Jotunheim, home of the trolls.



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Nobody's Princess

By Esther Friesner

Call #: YF Friesner

Determined to fend for herself in a world where only men have real freedom, headstrong Helen, who will be called queen of Sparta and Helen of Troy one day, learns to fight, hunt, and ride horses while disguised as a boy, and goes on an adventure throughout the Mediterranean world.



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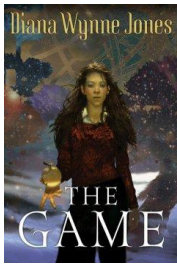
The Fetch

By Chris Humphreys

Call #: YF Humphreys

After exploring a sea chest full of runes and a journal belonging to his deceased grandfather, 15-year-old Sky summons the old man's ghost, who teaches him how to travel through time and space.





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The Game

By Diana Wynne Jones

Call #: YF Jones

Sent to a boisterous family gathering in Ireland by her overly strict grandmother, Hayley's cousins include her in a special game involving travel through the mythosphere, the place where all the world's stories can be found, and where some secrets of her past are revealed.



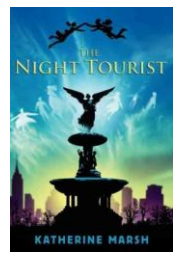
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By Karsten Knight

Call #: YF Knight

After a killing for which she feels responsible, 16-year-old Ashline Wilde moves cross-country to a remote California boarding school, where she learns that she and others have special gifts that can help them save the world, but evil forces are at work to stop them.



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The Night Tourist

By Katherine Marsh

Call #: YF Marsh

After 14-year-old classics prodigy Jack Perdu has a near fatal accident he meets Euri, a young ghost who introduces him to New York's Underworld, where those who died in New York reside until they are ready to move on, and Jack vows to find his dead mother there.



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Gods of Manhattan

By Scott Mebus

Call #: YF Mebus

Thirteen-year-old Rory discovers a spirit world that thrives alongside his contemporary New York City, filled with fantastical creatures and people from the city's colorful past who have become gods and goddesses and who have chosen Rory to perform a dangerous mission.



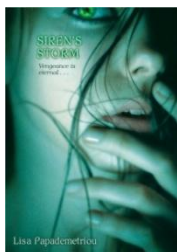
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Dragon Sword and Wind Child

By Noriko Ogiwara

Call #: YF Ogiwara

Raised in an ancient Japanese village, 15-year-old Saya discovers that she is the reincarnation of the Water Maiden, princess of the underworld, who must reconcile the powers of heaven and earth.



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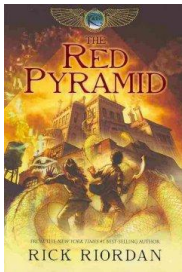
Siren's Storm

By Lisa Papademetriou

Call #: YF Papademetriou

Strange things have been happening in 17-year-old Will's Long Island resort town, where his brother died last summer, but now their life-long summer friend, Gretchen, is in danger and the alluring, mysterious newcomer, Asia, may be involved.





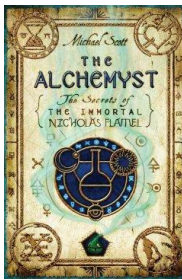
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The Red Pyramid

By Rick Riordan

Call #: YF Riordan

After their father's research experiment at the British Museum unleashes the Egyptian god Set, Carter and Sadie Kane embark on a dangerous journey across the globe—a quest which brings them ever closer to the truth about their family, and their links to a secret order that has existed since the time of the pharaohs.



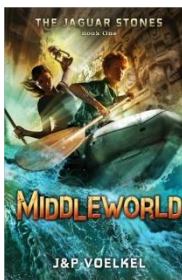
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The Alchemyst

By Michael Scott

Call #: YF Scott

While working at pleasant but mundane summer jobs in San Francisco, 15-year-old twins, Sophie and Josh, suddenly find themselves caught up in the deadly, centuries-old struggle between rival alchemists, Nicholas Flamel and John Dee, over the possession of an ancient and powerful book holding the secret formulas for alchemy and everlasting life.



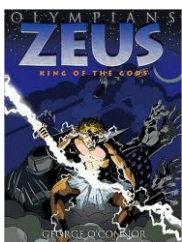
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Middleworld

By Jon Voelkel

Call #: YF Voelkel

When his archaeologist parents go missing in Central America, 14-year-old Max embarks on a wild adventure through the Mayan underworld in search of the legendary Jaguar Stones, which enabled ancient Mayan kings to wield the powers of living gods.



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Zeus: King of the Gods

By George O'Connor

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Terrified of being killed by one of his children, Kronos devours each of his offspring in turn. Only Zeus, the youngest, is saved. Though raised to enjoy a life of leisure, Zeus must fulfill his destiny and lead a new race of gods—and he must begin by destroying his own father.