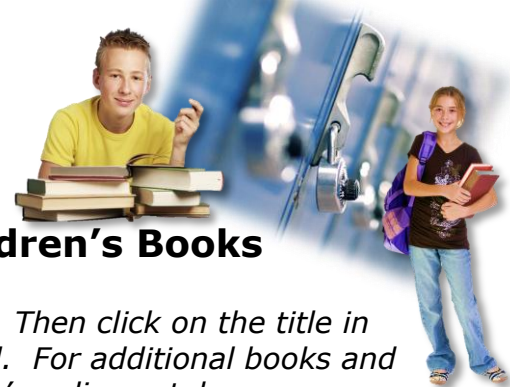


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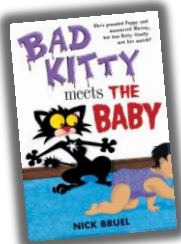
A Select List of Brown County Library Children's Books (Mid Elementary-Middle School)

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Bad Kitty – Nick Bruel

Bad Kitty is a magnet for disaster. (Series - start with: *Bad Kitty Needs a Bath*)



Big Nate – Lincoln Peirce

Nate is the classic clever kid who hates school and whose antics land him in increasingly hotter water with grumbly teachers. (Series - start with: *In a Class by Himself*)

Black Lagoon Adventures – Mike Thaler

Follow Hubie on his adventures in the Black Lagoon, where rumors can make a student create a monster of any teacher! (Series - start with: *The Class Trip from the Black Lagoon*)



Bone – Jeff Smith

The three Bone cousins are separated and lost in a vast uncharted desert. One by one, they find their way into a deep, forested valley where they come face to face with grand adventures. (Series - start with: *Out From Boneville*)

Charlie Joe Jackson's Guide to Not Reading – Tom Greenwald

A fast-moving look at middle-school life through the eyes of a kid who would rather clean his room than pick up a book. (Series - start with: *Charlie Joe Jackson's Guide to Not Reading*)



Dragonbreath – Ursula Vernon

It's not easy for Danny Dragonbreath to be the sole mythical creature in a school for reptiles and amphibians. (Series - start with: *Dragonbreath*)

The First Day of School Forever – R.L. Stine

Today is just like the day before. Can Artie find a way to change it, before it's the first day of school . . . forever?

"Guys Read" Anthologies – compiled by Jon Scieszka

Three thematic short-story collections "Sports Pages," "Thrillers," and "Funny Business," ensure there is a selection of short stories for every guy's tastes.

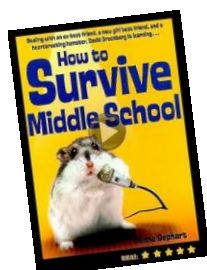


Holes – Louis Sachar

Stanley Yelnats is cursed with bad luck, including being sent to a boy's detention camp in the middle of nowhere. The boys are ordered to dig holes all day long, but Stanley wants to find out the warden's real motives.

How to Survive Middle School – Donna Gephart

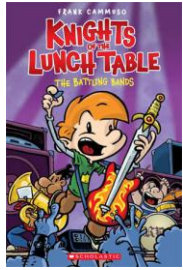
Eleven-year-old David Greenberg dreams of becoming a TV superstar like his idol, Jon Stewart. But in real life, David is just another kid terrified of starting his first year at Harman Middle School.





Killer Pizza – Greg Taylor

Fourteen-year-old Toby Magill gets a summer job flipping dough at Killer Pizza, which is actually a front for a secret monster-hunting organization. (Series - start with: *Killer Pizza*)



Knights of the Lunch Table – Frank Cammuso

Artie King's first day of middle school improves when he is able to open a magic locker with bully defeating powers. (Series - start with: *The Dodgeball Chronicles*)

Lunch Lady – Jarrett Krosoczka

Lunch Lady doesn't just serve sloppy joes—she serves justice! (Series - start with: *Lunch Lady and the Cyborg Substitute*)

Magic Pickle – Scott Morse

Meet the Magic Pickle, a dilly of a superhero who's fighting the food fight against a brotherhood of evil fruits and vegetables who are plotting to take over the world! (Series - start with: *Magic Pickle*)



Meanwhile – Jason Shiga

A Choose Your Own Adventure + Graphic Novel = 3,856 Story Possibilities.

Middle School: The Worst Years of My Life – James Patterson

With his best friend Leonardo the Silent awarding him points, Rafe tries to break every rule in his school's oppressive Code of Conduct. (Series - start with: *Middle School: The Worst Years of my Life*)

Mischief Maker's Manual – John Hargrave (818.602 H223M)

This is the definitive guide to pranking and mayhem.

My Life as a Book – Janet Tashjian

Derek prefers real adventures to books, but finds some intriguing mystery in an old newspaper clipping. Illustrated by the author's 14-year-old son. (Series - start with: *My Life as a Book*)

My Weird School – Dan Gutman

Second-grader A. J. hates school, but he has to admit that Miss Daisy isn't like any teacher he has had before. (Series - start with: *Miss Daisy is Crazy*)

Nathan Abercrombie, Accidental Zombie – David Lubar

Things couldn't get any worse for Nathan Abercrombie...until he gets doused with an experimental serum that turns him into a half-dead zombie. (Series - start with: *My Rotten Life*)

The Nutty News – Ron Barrett

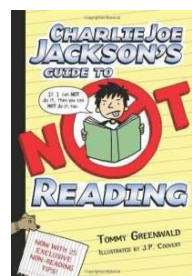
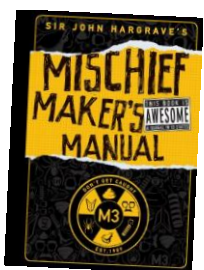
Fake news with silly illustrations about French presidents who are gerbils, and other fantastical journalism.

Origami Yoda – Tom Angleberger

Dwight talks to his classmates via an origami finger puppet of Yoda. If that weren't strange enough, the puppet is uncannily wise. (Series - start with: *The Strange Case of Origami Yoda*)

Schooled – Gordon Korman

Homeschooled on a hippie commune, Cap enrolls in public middle school where he is a big shock to his new classmates.





Time Warp Trio- Jon Scieszka

Can the Time Warp Trio escape death and destruction and still make it back to the 20th century for lunch? (Series - start with: *The Knights of the Kitchen Table*)

Weenies – David Lubar

A collection of bizarre short stories that are as scary as they are funny. (Series - start with: *In the Land of the Lawn Weenies: and Other Warped and Creepy Tales*)

Girl Power



Babymouse – Jennifer Holm

It's the same thing every day for Babymouse. Where is the glamour? The excitement? The adventure? Nothing ever changes, until . . . (Series - start with: *Babymouse: Queen of the World*)

Bake Sale – Sarah Varon

Cupcake's life is pretty good. He's got his bakery and his band and his best friend, Eggplant. But he can't help but feel that something is missing...

Dear Dumb Diary – Jim Benton

Middle school may be grim, but it's no fairy tale. And crazy doesn't even begin to cover it. (Series - start with: *Dear Dumb Diary – Let's Pretend This Never Happened*)

Dork Diaries – Rachel Russell

Dork Diaries follows eighth grader Nikki Maxwell as she chronicles through text and sketches, her move to a snooty new school. (Series - start with: *Dork Diaries: Tales from a Not-So-Fabulous Life*)

Middle School is Worse than Meatloaf – Jennifer Holm

Diary entries, refrigerator notes, cards from Grandpa, and IM screen messages convey a year full of ups and downs.

Moxy Maxwell – Peggy Gifford

The clock ticks down as Moxy, master procrastinator, tries to finish a first day of school book report on the last day of summer. (Series - start with: *Moxy Maxwell Does Not Love Stuart Little*)

Popularity Papers – Amy Ignatow

Before they leave elementary school behind, two fifth-grade best friends are determined to uncover the secrets of popularity by observing, recording, discussing, and replicating the behaviors of the cool girls. (Series - start with: *Popularity Papers: Research...*)

Smile – Raina Telgemeier (741.5 TELGMEIER)

Raina just wants to be a normal sixth grader, but braces get in the way in this autobiographical graphic novel.

Write Before Your Eyes – Lisa Williams Kline

Twelve-year-old Gracie is astonished to discover that her new journal has magical powers: it seems that if she writes something, it happens.



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