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#### **IKENGA**

BY NNEDI OKORAFOR

In southeastern Nigeria, twelve-year-old Mnamdi is determined to avenge his police chief father, who was murdered while trying to rid the town of criminals, but Nnamdi feels powerless until he receives a magical object which gives him superpowers. 4th-6th grades

#### THE ELEVENTH TRADE

BY ALYSSA HOLLINGSWORTH

They say you can't get something for nothing, but nothing is all Sami has. When his grandfather's most-prized possession—a traditional Afghan instrument called a rebab—is stolen, Sami resolves to get it back. 4th-6th grades

#### **FLYING OVER WATER**

BY SHANNON HITCHCOCK

A heartrending Own Voices story told in dual perspectives, describes the intersection of the lives of two girls-one, a Muslim fleeing civil war, the other, an American from the South-as they are forced to examine their beliefs and the true meaning of friendship in the midst of the president's 2017 Muslim ban. 4th-6th grades

#### I CAN MAKE THIS PROMISE

BY CHRISTINE DAY

When twelve-year-old Edie finds letters and photographs in her attic that change everything she thought she knew about her Native American mother's adoption, she realizes she has a lot to learn about her family's history and her own identity. 3rd -5th grades

#### **ALL THE WAYS HOME**

BY ELSIE CHAPMAN

Sometimes, home isn't where you expect to find it. After losing his mom in a fatal car crash, Kaede Hirano--now living with a grandfather who is more stranger than family--developed anger issues and spent his last year of middle school acting out. Kaede is given a summer assignment: write an essay about what home means to him.



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#### **50 MAPS OF THE WORLD**

**BY KALYA RYAN** 

Spanning the world from Spain to Singapore, Colombia to Canada, Turkey to Tanzania, discover all you need to know about some of the most awesome places on Earth. XI 912 RYA



#### TIMELINES OF EVERYTHING

**BY SMITHSONIAN** 

Explore an illustrated history of the world through timelines for kids. From dinosaurs and Vikings to the history of robots and espionage. Jam-packed with surprising facts and amazing details, such as the most bloodthirsty pirate of all time and the first crime to be solved by studying fingerprints Timelines of Everything will take you on a whirlwind journey through an illustrated history of time, from the Big Bang to the modern world. XI 902.02



# THE LEMON TREE: AN ARAB, A JEW, AND THE HEART OF THE MIDDLE EAST

**BY SANDY TOLAN** 

The Lemon Tree is a deeply personal story of two people seeking hope, transformation, and home. Dalia and Bashir began a surprising friendship, forged in the aftermath of war and later tested as political tensions ran high and Israelis and Palestinians each asserted their own right to live on this land. XI 956.9405 TOL



# GRETA'S STORY: THE SCHOOLGIRL WHO WENT ON STRIKE TO SAVE THE PLANET

BY VALENTINA CAMERINI

The inspiring true story of Greta Thunberg, a young eco-activist whose persistence sparked a global movement. You are never too young to make a difference. Ever since she learned about climate change, Greta Thunberg couldn't understand why politicians weren't treating it as an emergency. XI 92 THUNBERG G



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#### **AKISSI. TALES OF MISCHIEF**

BY MARGUERITE ABOUET

Poor Akissi! The neighbourhood cats are trying to steal her fish, her little monkey Boubou almost ends up in a frying pan and she's nothing but a pest to her older brother Fofana... But Akissi is a true adventurer, full of silliness and mischief and nothing will scare her for long! XI 741.5944 AKISSI

#### **KODI**

BY JARED CULLUM

Katya and her Meema are spending another summer at their cottage in Alaska when a chance accident leaves Katya face-to-face with the biggest creature she's ever seen... an enormous Kodiak bear with a gentle heart and a knack for fishing. XI 741.5973 KODI

#### **MEASURING UP**

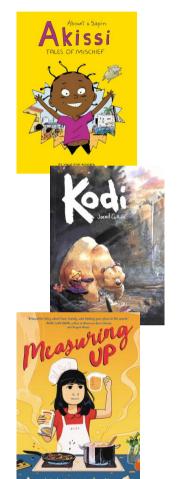
BY LILY LAMOTTE

Twelve-year-old Cici has just moved from Taiwan to Seattle, and the only thing she wants more than to fit in at her new school is to celebrate her grandmother, A-má's, seventieth birthday together. Since she can't go to A-má, Cici cooks up a plan to bring A-má to her by winning the grand prize in a kids' cooking contest to pay for A-má's plane ticket! XI 741.5973 MEASURING

#### WHEN STARS ARE SCATTERED

BY VICTORIA JAMIESON

Omar and his younger brother, Hassan, have spent most of their lives in Dadaab, a refugee camp in Kenya. Life is hard there: never enough food, achingly dull, and without access to the medical care Omar knows his nonverbal brother needs. So when Omar has the opportunity to go to school, he knows it might be a chance to change their future . . . but it would also mean leaving his brother, the only family member he has left, every day. XI 741.5973 WHEN



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