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THE ONLY BLACK GIRLS IN TOWN

BY BRANDY COLBERT

In a predominately white California beach town, the only two black seventh-graders, Alberta and Edie, find hidden journals that uncover family secrets and speak to race relations in the past.



BY STUART GIBBS

The CIA forces twelve-year-old Charlotte "Charlie" Thorne, a rebellious genius, to use her code-breaking skills on an epic global chase to locate Einstein's last equation before dangerous agents discover it and unlock the solution to harnessing energy.



BY DERON R. HICKS

When a young boy is discovered in Washington, DC's National Gallery of Art without any recollection of who he is, he must piece together the disjointed clues of his origins while using his limited knowledge to stop one of the greatest art frauds ever attempted.

DEATH OR ICE CREAM?

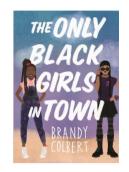
BY GARETH P. JONES

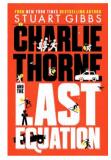
A collection of linked short stories set in mysterious Larkin Mills, a peculiar town filled with dark secrets, a big dose of death, and a tug-of-war between darkness and light.

THE MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE OF AIDAN S. (AS TOLD TO HIS BROTHER)

BY GARETH P. JONES

Aidan disappeared for six days. Six agonizing days of searches and police and questions and constant vigils. Then, just as suddenly as he vanished, Aidan reappears. Where has he been? The story he tells is simply. . . impossible.











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GHOSTS UNVEILED!

BY KERRIE LOGAN HOLLIHAN

Packed with facts but light in tone, award-winning author Kerrie Logan Hollihan takes a humorous but meticulously researched, well-balanced look at ghost appearances, unsolved mysteries, and eerie hauntings around the world. XU 133.1 HOL



SPIES: THE SECRET SHOWDOWN BETWEEN AMERICA AND RUSSIA

BY MARC FAVREAU

An account of the Cold War spies whose survival depended on carefully orchestrated deceptions as they fought in the shadows to help avert global nuclear war and, in so doing, changed the global landscape in ways that are still felt today. XU 327.1273 FAV



ATOMIC WOMEN: THE UNTOLD STORIES OF THE SCIENTISTS WHO HELPED CREATE THE NUCLEAR BOMB

BY ROSEANNE MONTILLO

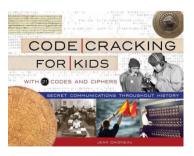
Bomb meets Code Girls in this nonfiction narrative about the little-known female scientists who were critical to the invention of the atomic bomb during World War II. XU 355.82511 MON



CODE CRACKING FOR KIDS: SECRET COMMUNICATIONS THROUGHOUT HISTORY, WITH 21 CODES AND CIPHERS

BY JEAN DAIGNEAU

This book explores many aspects of cryptology, including famous people who used and invented codes and ciphers, such as Julius Caesar and Thomas Jefferson; codes used during wars, including the Enigma machine, whose cracking helped the Allies gather critical information on German intelligence in World War II; and work currently being done by the US government, such as in the National Security Agency. XU 652.8 DAI



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TORPEDOED: THE TRUE STORY OF THE WORLD WAR II SINKING OF "THE CHILDREN'S SHIP"

BY DEBORAH HEILIGMAN

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THE PLOT TO KILL HITLER: DIETRICH BONHOEFFER, PASTOR, SPY, UNLIKELY HERO

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