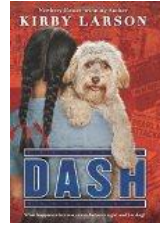


**Cochecho Readers' Award
2015-16**



Dash

Kirby Larson

When her family is forced into an internment camp, Mitsi Kashino is separated from her home, her classmates, and her beloved dog Dash. As her family begins to come apart around her, Mitsi clings to her one connection to the outer world--the letters from the kindly neighbor who is caring for Dash.

Dory Fantasmagory

Abby Hanlon

Dory, the youngest in her family, is a girl with a very active imagination. She spends the summer playing with her imaginary friend, pretending to be a dog, battling monsters, and generally driving her family nuts.

El Deafo

Cece Bell

The author recounts in graphic novel format her experiences with hearing loss at a young age, including using a bulky hearing aid, learning how to lip read, and determining her "superpower".

Emma and the Blue Genie

Cornelia Funke

Eight-year-old Emma and her little dog, Tristan, take a magic carpet ride to the distant land of Barakash to help a genie recover his stolen magical nose ring.

Gooseberry Park and the Master Plan

Cynthia Rylant

Stumpy the Squirrel and friends team up to save the day in this charming standalone companion to the beloved Gooseberry Park.

Hissy Fitz

Patrick Jennings

Hissy, a sleep-deprived British shorthair in the extremely noisy Fitz household, recounts his frustrating day trying to find a place to sleep where people--particularly an annoying three-year-old human--will not bother him.

Jasper John Dooley: Left Behind

Caroline Adderson

Feeling left behind when his beloved Nan leaves for a week-long cruise, Jasper John Dooley realizes that he will be less lonely if he has his own adventures, which include a stapling mishap and a hamster escape.

The Map Trap

Andrew Clements

Sixth-grader Alton Barnes loves maps, and when his portfolio of secret maps is stolen, he begins getting notes with orders that he must obey to get the maps back but, with the help of a popular classmate, he just might succeed before his teacher, principal, or someone else learns he has been studying and mapping things about them.

Minnie and Moo: Hooves of Fire

Denys Cazet

To raise money for a down payment on a new tractor for Mr. and Mrs. Farmer, cow friends Minnie and Moo organize the First Annual Hoot, Holler, and Moo Talent Festival.

A Fine Dessert: four centuries, four families, one delicious treat

Emily Jenkins

Depicts families, from England to California from 1710 to 2010, preparing and enjoying the dessert called blackberry fool. Recipe included.

Absolutely Almost

Lisa Graff

Ten-year-old Albie has never been the smartest, tallest, best at gym, greatest artist, or most musical in his class, as his parents keep reminding him, but new nanny Calista helps him uncover his strengths and take pride in himself.

Alien in my Pocket: Blast off!

Nate Ball

Fourth-grader Zack McGee's life is turned upside-down when Amp, a tiny alien, crash-lands in his bedroom, then causes trouble at school while trying to get parts to repair his spaceship.

Alvin Ho: Allergic to The Great Wall, the Forbidden Palace and other tourist attractions

Lenore Look

Alvin, who's afraid of *everything*, is taking his fears to a whole new level—or should we say, continent. On a trip to introduce brand-new baby Ho to relatives in China, Alvin's anxiety is at fever pitch

Completely Clementine

Sara Pennypacker

Clementine faces changes at the end of her third grade year and anticipates the birth of her family's new baby.

The Misadventures of Family Fletcher

Dana Alison Levy

The book relates the adventures of a family with two fathers, four adopted boys, and a variety of pets as they make their way through a school year and deal with a grumpy new neighbor.

Nuts to You

Lynne Rae Perkins

After surviving being carried off by a hawk, a young squirrel resolves to find his way home, as his best friends begin their search for him.

Pigsticks and Harold and the Incredible Journey

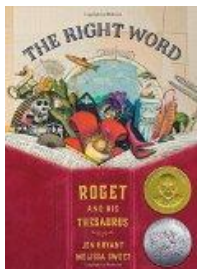
Alex Milway

The last member of a line of explorers, unfailingly optimistic Pigsticks hires a hapless delivery hamster named Harold to be his companion for a quest that wends through jungles, deserts, and mountains in search of the Ends of the Earth.

The Right Word: Roget and his Thesaurus

Jen Bryant

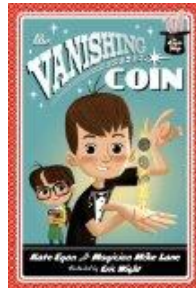
For shy young Peter Mark Roget, books were the best companions -- and it wasn't long before Peter began writing his own book. But he didn't write stories; he wrote lists. His lists grew and grew, eventually turning into one of the most important reference books of all time.



The Terrible Two

Mac Barnett

When master prankster Miles Murphy moves to sleepy Yawnee Valley, he challenges the local mystery prankster in an epic battle of tricks, but soon the two join forces to pull off the biggest prank ever seen.



The Vanishing Coin (Magic Shop Series)

Kate Egan

Mike reluctantly bonds with good-girl neighbor Nora while learning fun skills at The White Rabbit magic shop, the owner of which believes Mike could become a great magician.



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