

# Recommended Reading Beginning Chapter Books!



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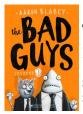
## J Alexander *- <u>Wallace and Grace Take the Case</u>*

by Heather Alexander Wallace and Grace are partners in the Night Owl Detective Agency. In their first adventure, they meet a rabbit who is sure he saw a ghost! Can they solve the mystery of the spooky garden?



#### J Graphic Atkinson - <u>Simon and Chester: Super</u> <u>Detectives!</u>

by Cale Atkinson Simon and Chester are bored...until they pretend to be detectives!



#### J Blabey - <u>The Bad Guys Series</u>

by Aaron Blabey In this series, Mr. Wolf and his friends Mr. Snake, Mr. Piranha, and Mr. Shark try to do good deeds so people will stop seeing them as "bad guys" just because that's their species' reputation.



#### **Series Branches Diary of a Pug** - <u>*Diary of a Pug*</u> by Kyla May A Branches early chapter book series featuring everyone's

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#### Series Branches Kung Pow Chilcken - <u>Kung Pow</u> <u>Chicken Series</u>

by Cyndi Marko

Kung Pow Chicken isn't just any superhero. He's powerful, quick-witted, and... he's a chicken! In this hilarious series, ordinary Gordon Blue transforms into Kung Pow Chicken. He and his sidekick, Egg Drop, are an avian dynamic duo that fights crime in the city of Fowladelphia.



#### Series Branches - <u>Owl Diaries & Unicorn Diaries</u> by Rebecca Elliott

Join Eva Wingdale and her friends in the Owl Diaries for adventures and mysteries. And if you like Owl Diaries, try the Unicorn Diaries next! With Bo (short for Rainbow) and the other unicorns in Sparklegrove Forest, it is a magical series by the same author.



#### J Graphic Fiction Clanton - <u>Narwhal's School of</u> Awesomeness

by Ben Clanton

Nárwhal and Jelly become substitute teachers for a school of fish when Mr. Blowfish comes down with a cold. They must use their wacky methods to make the day a success!

#### J DiCamillo - <u>Mercy Watson Series</u> & <u>Tales from</u> <u>Deckawoo Drive Series</u>



by Kate DiCamillo

Try out any book in the Mercy Watson series for some silly stories about a butter loving pig and a zany cast of characters! If you love it, and we think you will, Tales from Deckawoo Drive is the spinoff series, featuring some of the same lovable characters.



## J Dillard - <u>J.D. and the Great Barber Battle</u>

by J. Dillard

Eight-year-old J.D. turns a tragic home haircut into a thriving barber business in this hilarious illustrated chapter book.



#### J Faruqi *- <u>Yasmin Series</u>*

by Saadia Faruqi In this compilation of four separately published books, Pakistani American second grader Yasmin learns to cope with the small problems of school and home, while gaining confidence in her own skills and creative abilities.



#### J Florence - Jasmine Toguchi, Mochi Queen

by Debbi Michiko Florence Eager to do something her big sister has not done first, eight year old Jasmine decides to pound mochi with the men and boys when her family gets together for New Year's.



### J Hale - <u>Princess in Black books</u>

by Shannon Hale When trouble strikes, Princess Magnolia ditches her pink dress to become an undercover superhero in black.



### J Jennings - <u>Knight of the Cape</u>

by Terry Catasus Jennings

All Dominguita wants to do is read the books that Abuela gave her. Her favorite, Don Quixote, tells of a brave knight who does good deeds. Dom decides that she, too, will become a knight. When the class bully tells Dom that girls can't be knights, Dom is determined to prove him wrong.

## J LaReau - <u>*The Infamous Ratsos*</u>

by Kara LaReau



Rat brothers Louie and Ralphie Ratso try to prove they can be as rough and tough as their father in the Big City, but every time they try to show how tough they are, they end up accidentally doing good deeds instead!



## J Lazar - <u>Total Mayhem Series</u>

by Ralph Lazar Hilarious, action-filled, illustrated mystery stories, jam-packed with crazy stuff that make you laugh-out-loud.



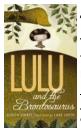
## TKUS J Maclachlan - <u>Barkus</u>

by Patricia Maclachlan Barkus is a large and very smart dog who comes to live with seven-year-old Nicky when Nicky's Uncle Everton goes traveling--and soon he is a family and school favorite.



## J Soundar - <u>Sona Sharma, Very Best Big Sister?</u>

by Chitra Soundar Sona Sharma's house is full of people who joke often and argue sometimes. Relatives come unannounced, the phone rings frequently and friends drop in all the time. Then one day Amma tells Sona she is going to have a baby. Is that good? Sona isn't sure...



#### J Viorst - <u>Lulu Series</u>

by Judith Viorst

These irresistible illustrated chapter books starring Lulu are full of hilarious hijinks, delightful twists, and a top-secret mission! The four titles of the series are <u>Lulu and the</u> <u>Brontosaurus</u>, <u>Lulu Walks the Dogs</u>, <u>Lulu's Mysterious</u> <u>Mission</u>, and <u>Lulu is Getting a Sister</u>. If you don't read them all, Lulu will NOT be pleased!