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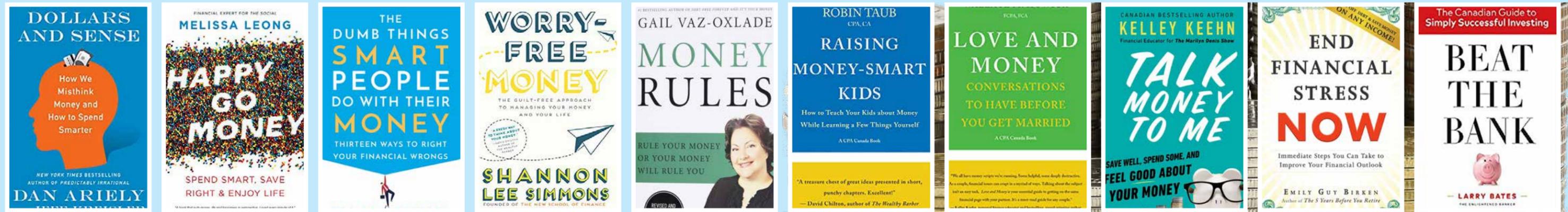
## READS, MOVIES & MORE!

**10** Books for Financial Literacy Month

**PLUS OUR  
TOP 10  
LISTS OF**  
Time Travel  
Tales for Teens,  
Mythological  
Reads for Kids  
and MUCH  
MUCH MORE!

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# 10 Books for Financial Literacy Month

## [Dollars and Sense](#)

by Dan Ariely

This engaging guide uses humour, anecdotes, and advice to get you to rethink your finances and figure out the feelings behind your money-making decisions.

## [Happy Go Money](#)

by Melissa Leong

They say money can't buy happiness, but this breezy yet informative book from Melissa Leong, finance expert on CTV's *The Social*, can help you improve your finances and your mood by combining personal finance and happiness psychology.

## [The Dumb Things Smart People Do With Their Money](#)

by Jill Schlesinger

Even the smartest people can make mistakes with money. Financial expert Jill Schlesinger looks at thirteen traps to avoid and provides useful advice on a wide range of relevant topics, such as investing, real estate, and retirement.

## [Worry-free Money](#)

by Shannon Lee Simmons

Shannon Lee Simmons, founder of the New School of Finance, takes a fresh approach to managing money, including examining why we feel pressured to spend and why budgets don't work.

## [Money Rules](#)

by Gail Vaz-Oxlade

An engaging, common-sense guide from Canadian finance expert Gail Vaz-Oxlade featuring 261 rules for healthy finances.

## [Raising Money-smart Kids](#)

by Robin Taub

It's never too early to teach your kids financial literacy skills. This practical, step-by-step guide covers everything from giving your child an allowance to using a credit card.

## [Love and Money](#)

by Wallace M. Howick

Talking about money may not seem romantic, but it's important for couples to have these conversations in order to build a strong financial foundation. This book will help you and your partner have those crucial talks before you say "I do."

## [Talk Money to Me](#)

by Kelley Keehn

Money is an important part of our lives, so why is it so hard to talk about? In this no-nonsense guide, Kelley Keehn will help you learn to talk about money, understand investing, build good credit, and still have the occasional splurge.

## [End Financial Stress Now](#)

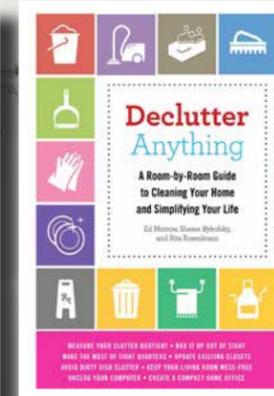
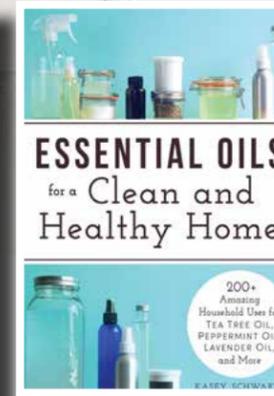
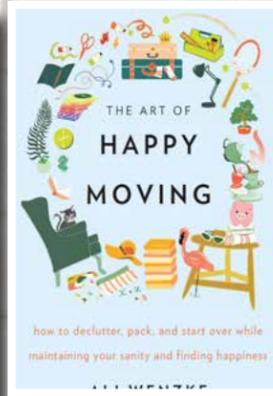
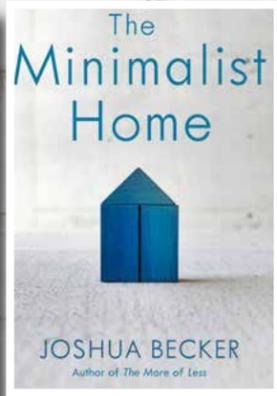
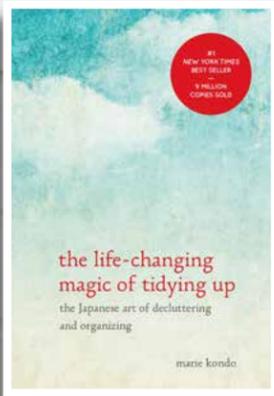
by Emily Guy Birken

For many people, money is a source of stress. This book offers sensible advice to help you manage your money regardless of your income level, from making a budget to paying off debt.

## [Beat the Bank](#)

by Larry Bates

This book offers simple investment strategies to help you make your money work for you, not for the bank.



# 10 Books for a Clean and Organized Home

## Small Space Organizing

by Kathryn Bechen

No matter what the size of your space, you can enjoy an organized, clutter-free life. Discover practical ways to make the most of your existing storage space and creative ways to rearrange furnishings to maximize space.

## The Life-Changing Magic of Tidying Up

by Marie Kondo

Japanese cleaning consultant Marie Kondo promises that if you organize using The KonMari Method, you'll never have to do it again. Learn about its revolutionary category-by-category system, which leads to lasting results.

## The Minimalist Home

by Joshua Becker

Joshua Becker, a renowned minimalist, teaches readers how to declutter their homes or apartments. Practical advice for those wanting to simplify their lives.

## Organize Your Home

by Samantha S. Thorpe

A comprehensive guide to creating and maintaining order at home. Packed with solutions for every room that any homeowner can use right away.

## The Art of Happy Moving

by Ali Wenzke

A comprehensive, upbeat guide to help you survive the moving process, filled with fresh strategies and checklists to maintain order.

## New Minimalism

by Cary Telander Fortin

Your external space reflects your internal state. This book promises an opportunity for self-reflection and lasting change, by reflecting on the reasons why we have accumulated so much stuff in the first place.

## The Organically Clean Home

by Becky Rapinchuk

Many cleaning products today are filled with chemicals. This practical guide features 150 easy-to-make recipes for cleaning products filled with all-natural ingredients you can trust.

## Essential Oils for a Clean and Healthy Home

by Kasey Schwartz

This book teaches you how to use all-natural oils around your home, from cleaning kitchen appliances to disinfecting bathrooms to getting rid of pests and smells.

## Declutter Anything

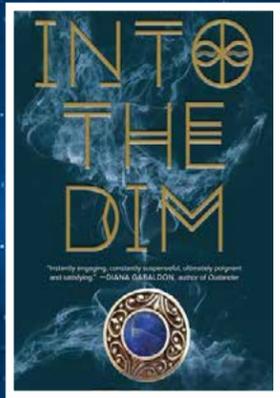
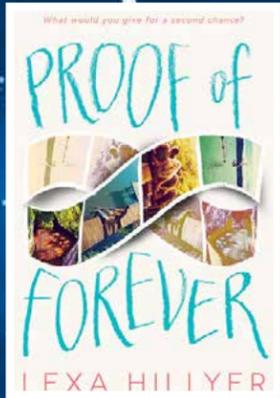
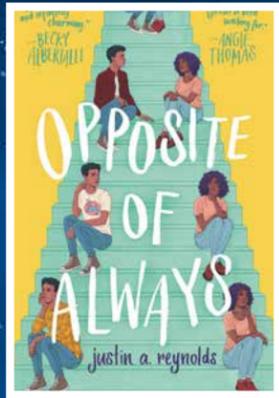
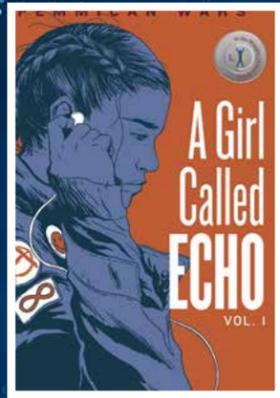
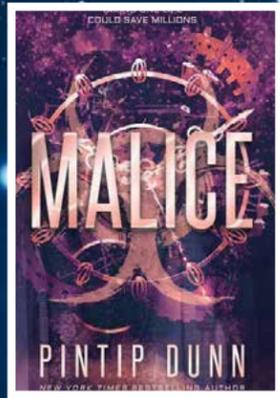
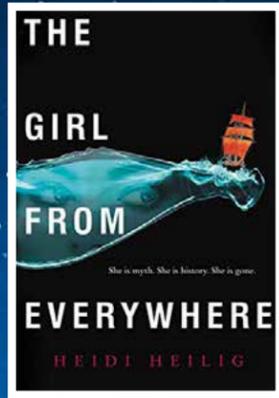
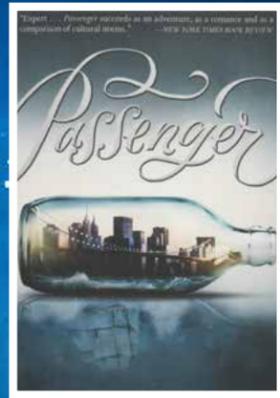
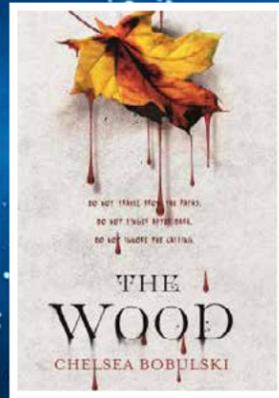
by Ed Morrow

A simple, creative handbook that explains how to declutter your home. This will help clear the chaos in your life and foster new pathways to maintain order.

## The Home Edit Life

by Clea Shearer

This guide offers suggestions on how to organize your life and home. These tips include learning how to reorganize bedrooms, closets, workspaces, and more.



# 10 Time Travel Tales for Teens

## [The Wood](#)

by Chelsea Bobulski

Winter is the guardian of the mysterious wood behind her house that acts as a portal for time travellers. But the wood is becoming increasingly menacing, and Winter must figure out why. A captivating and eerie adventure novel.

## [Saving Hamlet](#)

by Molly Booth

In this whimsical novel, Emma falls through a trap door and finds herself transported to the original staging of Hamlet. Can watching Shakespeare in action help her save both her school's play and her fractured friendships?

## [Passenger](#)

by Alexandra Bracken

In this fast-paced historical romance, Etta discovers that her mother has been charged with hiding a time travel device called an astrolab, and she must work with a handsome ship captain to find it.

## [The Girl From Everywhere](#)

by Heidi Heilig

When Nix's father decides to use his magical ship to travel back to 1868, when Nix's mother died in childbirth, Nix worries her existence could be at stake. A sweeping fantasy about loyalty and family ties.

## [In 27 Days](#)

by Alison Gervais

After her classmate Archer dies by suicide, Hadley is offered a deal by Death to go back in time and try to prevent the tragedy. But saving Archer could mean risking her own life. A thought-provoking and emotional novel.

## [Malice](#)

by Pintip Dunn

In this thrilling dystopian novel, Alice hears a voice from the future telling her she must stop a fellow student who will one day unleash a deadly virus, killing millions of people.

## [A Girl Called Echo](#)

by Katherena Vermette

Echo, a 13-year-old Métis girl, discovers she can use time travel to learn more about her culture after she is suddenly transported to the Pemmican Wars. A beautifully illustrated graphic novel that is the first in a series.

## [Opposite of Always](#)

by Justin A. Reynolds

Jack and Kate hit it off at a party, but then she dies tragically. Jack finds himself travelling back in time to when they first met, and he'll do anything he can to save her. A heartfelt romance about making the most of the time we have.

## [Proof of Forever](#)

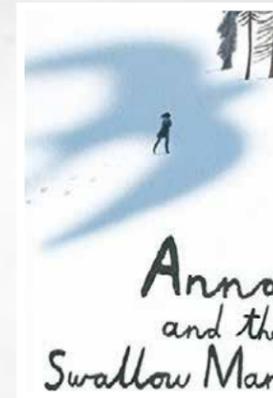
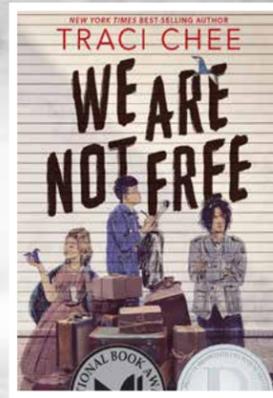
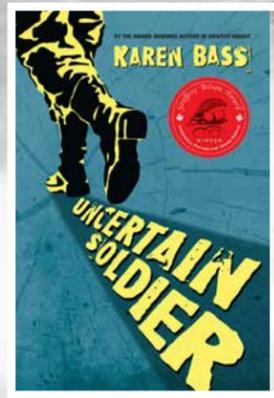
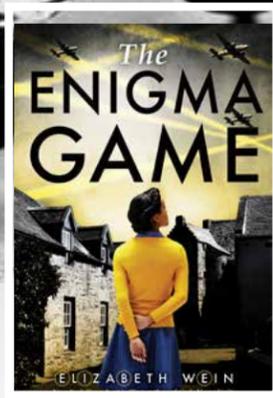
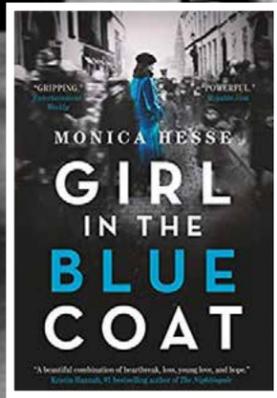
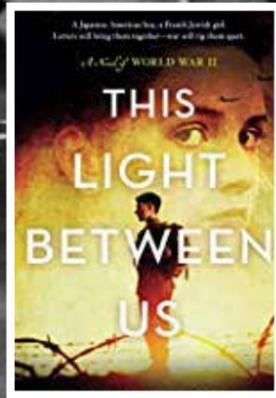
by Lexa Hillyer

When a group of former friends from summer camp reconnect at their reunion, they are sent back in time to fix their friendships. A relatable, character-driven story about friendship and love.

## [Into the Dim](#)

by Janet Taylor

In this richly plotted fantasy, Hope discovers her mother is a member of a secret society of time travellers and is stuck in twelfth century England. Now Hope must embark on a dangerous mission to save her.



# 9 Teen Reads Set During WWII

## [This Light Between Us](#)

by Andrew Xia Fukada

Alex and Charlie are international pen pals in 1935 and keep their correspondence going up to WWII, but when their family lives are upended by anti-Japanese racism and nazi Anti-Semitism, Alex joins the army. Not for the faint of heart, this coming-of-age story doesn't pull punches with its visceral depictions of WWII.

## [Girl in the Blue Coat](#)

by Monica Hesse

In Nazi-occupied Amsterdam Hanneke Bakker finds black-market goods to sell, but what will she do when a special request comes in to find a lost Jewish girl her client had been hiding? An intricate mystery with plenty of twists and turns, this one will keep you guessing till the end.

## [The Enigma Game](#)

by Elizabeth Wein

An enigma machine is deposited by a turncoat German soldier in a small Scottish town with an RAF base, causing four locals to come together to keep it hidden. This may sound sleepy but the Enigma Game moves at a thriller's pace and is sprinkled with aerial dogfights.

## [Uncertain Soldier](#)

by Karen Bass

Uncertain Soldier examines anti-German sentiment in an Alberta logging town through the eyes of Erich, a POW, and Max who is of German descent. A thought-provoking and suspenseful dive into racial tensions in Canada during WWII.

## [We Are Not Free](#)

by Traci Chee

We Are Not Free follows the lives of 14 Japanese-American teenagers from San Francisco who's lives are uprooted as they and their families are sent to internment camps in Utah after Pearl Harbour. 14 voices narrate this complex and heartbreaking novel that is partly based on the author's own family history.

## [Front Lines](#)

by Michael Grant

First in a series that includes Silver Stars and Purple Hearts, Front Lines presents an alternate history where Women were included in the WWII draft. If you want a grisly war series that has social-justice at its core this should be at the front of your reading list.

## [Anna and the Swallow Man](#)

by Gavriel Savit

With her father taken by the Gestapo, seven-year-old Anna is taken in by the mysterious Swallow Man, who keeps her safe from the war by wandering the Polish countryside. This beautifully written novel blends history with a touch of magic realism, keeping the reader guessing as to just who and what the Swallow Man is.

## [The Emperor of Any Place](#)

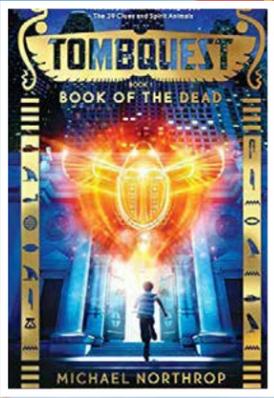
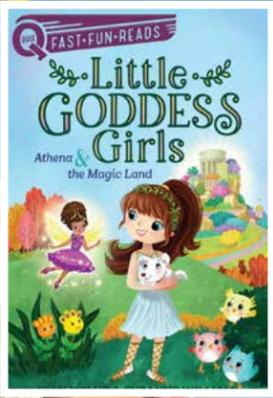
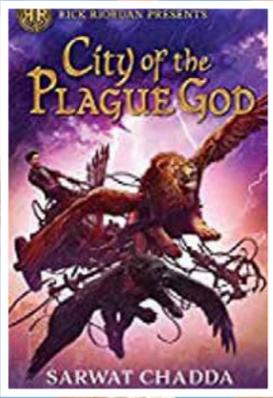
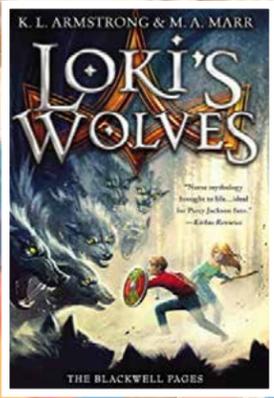
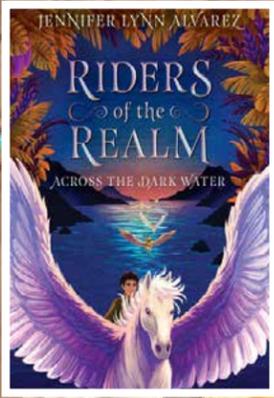
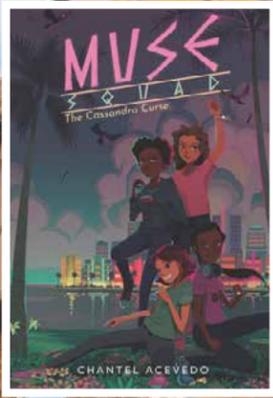
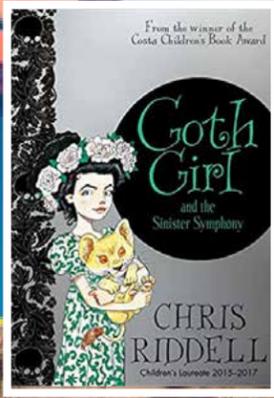
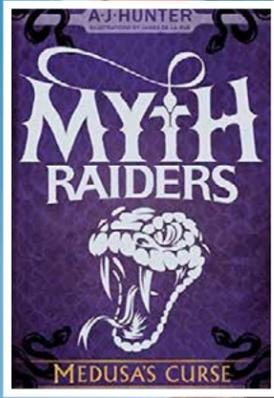
by Tim Wynne-Jones

Evan and his Grandfather clash over the secrets contained in the hand-bound diary of a Japanese WWII soldier. A war story with terror of a more fantastical kind than is normal for the setting.

## [The War Outside](#)

by Monica Hesse

Teens Haruko and Margo couldn't be more different but for the one thing that connects them: their imprisonment in a family internment camp for being "spies" because of their heritage. Despite the circumstances a romance buds between our protagonists even as the world and their families fall apart around them.



# 10 Mythological Reads for Kids

## [Medea the Enchantress](#)

Greek mythology for early readers, this instalment of the Goddess Girls series follows Medea and Jason on the quest for the golden fleece.

by Joan Holub

## [Medusa's Curse](#)

Action packed and with a touch of fright, Medusa's Curse sees Sam and Trey battling monsters straight out of Greek mythology.

by A. J. Hunter

## [Goth Girl and the Sinister Symphony](#)

Beautifully Illustrated and filled with humour, readers will enjoy this musical romp (that includes a Faun from Roman myth) with Goth Girl even if they haven't read the rest of the series.

by Chris Riddell

## [The Cassandra Curse](#)

The Muses of Greek myth are alive, and our protagonist Callie has just discovered that she is one of them. While she is destined to help others find their greatness, she might just find her own as well in this magical coming-of-age story.

by Chantel Acevedo

## [Across the Dark Water](#)

An army riding on the backs of Pegasi (of Greek mythology) is what you'll meet in this first book in the Riders of the Realm trilogy. The story moves as fast as a Pegasus flies, so hold on tight.

by Jennifer Lynn Alvarez

## [Loki's Wolves](#)

Loki's Wolves kicks off the Blackwell Pages series, where descendants of the Norse Gods must battle in the coming Ragnarok. Be ready for action and magic, even if the protagonists aren't (at the start).

by Kelley Armstrong

## [City of the Plague God](#)

Thirteen year old Sikander teams up with characters from Mesopotamian mythology to stop the Plague God from destroying Manhattan, and learns about himself in the process.

by Sarwat Chadda

## [Athena & the Magic Land](#)

Part Greek mythology and part Wizard of Oz, this book kicks off the Little Goddess Girls series. A fun adventure for early chapter readers.

by Joan Holub

## [Book of the Dead](#)

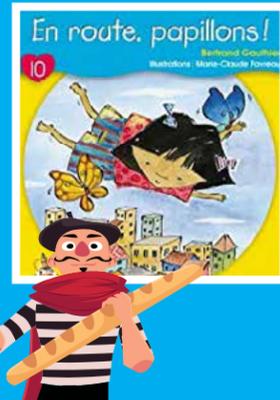
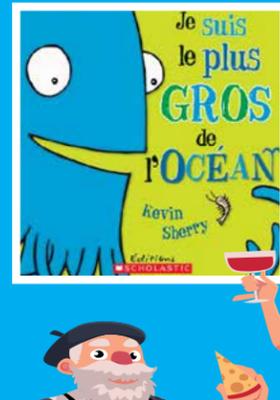
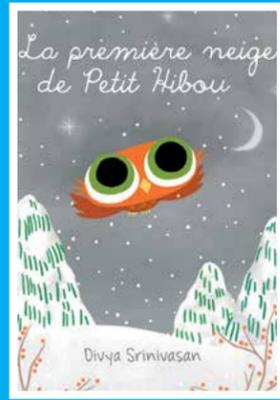
With Egyptian themes throughout, the Book of the Dead sees Alex racing to save the world from the mysterious Order. The first book in the TombQuest series.

by Michael Northrop

## [Race to the Sun](#)

Rooted in Navajo legends, this fast-paced adventure follows young Nizhoni Begay and her brother on a trek across the American Southwest to save their father from a monster-in-human-form.

by Rebecca Roanhorse



# 10 Fantastic French Books for Kids

## Mon chien-banane

by Roxane Brouillard

The simple yet effective illustrations in this picture book complement the silly and accessible text in this cute story about a banana dog. // *Cet album illustré utilise des illustrations simples et un texte amusant pour raconter l'histoire rigolo d'un chien-banane.*

## La première neige de Petit Hibou

by Divya Srinivasan

This sweet picture book with beautiful illustrations highlights the changing seasons and features excellent beginner French vocabulary. // *Cet album illustré adorable dépeint la magie de la première neige et inclut un vocabulaire accessible.*

## Un oiseau rare à l'école des gars

by Maryse Peyskens

Johann is a new gifted student at school who is having trouble making friends in this touching chapter book. // *Ce tome touchant de la série populaire raconte l'histoire de Johann, un nouvel élève surdoué à l'École des Gars qui a du mal à se faire des amis.*

## Amandine: La tarte à la citrouille

by Diya Lim

Local author Diya Lim has created a comprehensive French reading experience complete with fun illustrations in this fall-themed chapter book from the Amandine series. Highly recommended for French Immersion students. // *Ce livre de la série Amandine est un excellent choix pour les élèves en immersion française.*

## Narval: Licorne de mer

by Ben Clanton

The first book in this adorable graphic novel series offers a fun and fast-paced read that explores friendship, teamwork, and the power of imagination. // *Le premier tome de cette série géniale explore l'amitié, le travail d'équipe et le pouvoir de l'imagination d'une manière amusante et engageante.*

## Les méchants

by Aaron Blabey

The French version of the popular "The Bad Guys" series provides a hilarious and approachable reading experience with great illustrations and graphic texts. // *La série populaire « Les Méchants » est drôle et accessible avec des excellents illustrations et textes graphiques.*

## Entends-tu? Les animaux nocturnes

by Gianna Marino

Possum is afraid of the sounds in the night even though he is a nocturnal animal himself! // *Opossum a peur des bruits de la nuit, même s'il est lui-même un animal nocturne!*

## Sans toi!

by Geneviève Côté

The short sentences in this cute picture book explore the importance of friendship. // *Le thème complexe de l'amitié est rendu accessible avec des phrases courtes et simples.*

## Je suis le plus gros de l'océan

by Kevin Sherry

This funny story features a giant squid with a big ego to match. The short sentences offer a good introduction to French and the chance to learn some sea creature vocabulary. // *Un calamar géant a un gros ego dans cette histoire drôle et amusante. Les phrases courtes offrent une bonne introduction au français et au vocabulaire des créatures marines.*

## En route, papillons!

by Bertrand Gauthier

Rat de bibliothèque is a great Junior Easy reader series that provides a gentle introduction to French using a single theme and repetitive vocabulary in each book. // *La série Rat de bibliothèque utilise des thèmes simples et de la répétition pour fournir une petite introduction à la langue française.*



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