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- The Day the Crayons Quit

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You May Order:

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or

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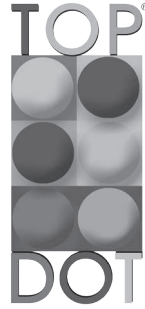
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## Each Multisensory Storybook Kit includes:

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- Manipulatives representing characters or objects in the story are also provided.
- TOP DOT is an exciting new set of Special Collection books in uncontracted braille designed to bridge the reading experiences between Dots for Tots and TacTales. Created especially for children aged 4 to 7, as a tool for parents to expand their child's vocabulary.



I Like It When...  
(Me Gusta Cuando...)



Welcome Fall



Top Dot



Tactales

# DOTS FOR TOTS®

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## I Like It When... (Me Gusta Cuando)

*Mary Murphy*

The story of a little penguin who likes holding hands, dancing, and having all sorts of fun returns in a new bilingual edition.

## Welcome Fall

*Jill Ackerman*

Celebrate a child's first encounter with the most colorful season: fall! No matter how windy it may be outside, this child ends up safe and cool in Daddy's arms.

# TOP DOT®

Order Now!  
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## Beyond the Sandbox

*Includes*  
**Tactile Graphics!**

Jerome loves playing in the sandbox during recess, but he has been afraid to try anything else on the playground. The monkey bars seem scary, the tunnel slide is spooky, and the teeter-totter looks terrifying. When his friend Becka finally convinces him to take a chance on the swings, Jerome's playground opens up to possibilities beyond the sandbox.

# TACTALES®

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## The Day the Crayons Quit

*Drew Daywalt*

*Includes*  
**Tactile Graphics!**

Poor Duncan just wants to color. But when he opens his box of crayons, he finds only letters, all saying the same thing: His crayons have had enough! They quit!

# PRE-K – GRADE 1

## **Erik the Red Sees Green**

*Julie Anderson*

Erik has problems in school and on the soccer field that he can't explain until he discovers that he is color-blind.

## **Gingerbread Mouse**

*Katy Bratun*

On a snowy winter's night, Mouse is snug in her bed...Then—crack!—a tree branch falls and destroys her house. Now Mouse must find a new place to live. With determination, resourcefulness, and some Christmas good fortune, Mouse not only finds another house, but a place she can truly call home.

## **Gracias the Thanksgiving Turkey**

*Joy Cowley*

In this warm holiday story, a young Puerto Rican boy saves the life of his pet turkey with help from his close-knit New York City family and neighborhood. Beginning Spanish vocabulary is woven into the text.

## **Henry and Mudge and a Very Merry Christmas**

*Cynthia Rylant*

Christmas at Henry and Mudge's house means cookies and carols and presents, and the whole family gathering for a delicious breakfast (with lots of food falling on the floor for Mudge). It may just be the best Christmas ever.

# I Lost My Tooth in Africa



*Penda Diakité*

More than anything, Amina wants to lose her loose tooth while visiting her family in Mali, West Africa. Only then can she put it under a gourd for the African tooth fairy, who will exchange it for two chickens! Happily this happens, and even better, the chickens lay eggs. But will the eggs hatch before it's time to return home to America?

# Little Snowflake's

## Big Adventure



*Includes* .....  
**Tactile Graphics!**

*Steve Metzger*

The Little Snowflake and his new friend float down from the sky—and land in an ice-skating rink! What surprises will they find?

# READY, FREDDY! #21: Going Batty

*Abby Klein*

It's Halloween time, and Freddy is already spooked—something has been making strange noises in his family's attic! Can Freddy solve the mystery, or will he be too frightened to find out?

## GRADES 2-3

# BLACK LAGOON ADVENTURES #25:

## Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> from the Black Lagoon

*Mike Thaler*

Hubie has planned a fantastic party for his birthday. There's only one problem—he didn't know it was on Friday the 13th. Talk about bad luck! What if nobody shows up? What if nobody brings presents?



## **ENCYCLOPEDIA BROWN #25: Super Sleuth**

*Donald J. Sobol*

Match wits with Idaville's ten-year-old star detective, Leroy "Encyclopedia" Brown, and see if you can solve these mysteries before he does! Join Encyclopedia as he solves ten puzzling mysteries that include the case of a stolen watch, disappearing money, a headless ghost, and more.

## **HEY L'IL D! BOOK #4: Out of Bounds**

*Bob Lanier & Heather Goodyear*

L'il Dobber and his pals are friends with everyone on the block. Everyone, that is, except Mr. Palmer. Mr. Palmer lives next door to L'il D, and he's always causing trouble. It seems like he'd do anything to spoil their fun! Even take their basketball away?

## **Junie B. Jones Has a Monster Under Her Bed**

*Barbara Park*

Junie B. knows there's no such thing as monsters. Mother and Daddy even said so. But then why is there monster drool on Junie B.'s pillow? What if Paulie Allen Puffer is right—what if she really does have a monster under her bed? Oh, no!

## **NANCY DREW AND THE CLUE CREW #33: Pumpkin Patch Puzzle**

*Carolyn Keene*

It's autumn in River Heights, and that means it's time for the annual Fall Festival! Nancy, Bess, and George are excited for a whole week of games, rides, treats, and the famous pumpkin-decorating contest. But when the plans for the annual pumpkin decorating contest are smashed, it's up to Nancy and the Clue Crew to solve this pumpkin patch mystery.

# THE PUPPY PLACE #10: Maggie and Max

*Ellen Miles*

Charles and Lizzie have helped lots of puppies find homes. But then they meet a Saint Bernard puppy with an unusual friend: a helpless kitten! And this pair needs to stick together. Will Charles and Lizzie find a way to keep these two together forever?

## The Witches

*Roald Dahl*

Grandmamma loves to tell about witches. Real witches are the most dangerous of all living creatures on earth. There's nothing they hate so much as children, and they work all kinds of terrifying spells to get rid of them. Her grandson listens closely to Grandmamma's stories—but nothing can prepare him for the day he comes face-to-face with The Grand High Witch herself!

## GRADES 4-6

## The Christmas Genie

*Dan Gutman*

It's the last day of school before Christmas vacation, and Mrs. Walter's fifth-grade class wants nothing more than the final bell to ring. But when a mysterious meteorite crashes through the classroom window, a magical genie pops out! He is willing to grant only one wish for the class to share, but if they can't agree on something before the bell rings, they'll get nothing at all.

# **THE FAMILIARS #3: Circle of Heroes**

*Adam Jay Epstein and Andrew Jacobson*

Vastia is in a state of war. Led by the evil Paksahara, whose command of the Shifting Fortress gives her nearly unstoppable powers. With human magic still gone, it's up to the three prophesized familiars—Aldwyn, Skylar, and Gilbert—to capture the fortress and bring Paksahara down. But it won't be easy.

# **A NEVER LAND BOOK: Escape from the Carnivale**

*Dave Barry and Ridley Pearson*

Little Scallop should be happy. She's a princess of the Mollusk tribe, and has two fun friends—Aqua and Surf—who just happen to be mermaids. But Little Scallop is bored, and longs for a real adventure. When Aqua and Surf invite her to go pearl-diving, she can't resist. Soon, Little Scallop gets caught up in the adventure she always wanted, but can she and her friends get out of it?

# **Planet Middle School**

*Nikki Grimes*

Joylin's world is turning upside down. Playing basketball used to be all it took to make her happy, but now all she can think about is boys. She's doing things she never thought she'd do. Told through free-verse poems that perfectly capture the craziness of adolescence and first love.

# **RAVEN HILL MYSTERIES #5: Dirty Tricks**

*Emily Rodda*

The Help-for-Hire gang's toughest challenge yet begins when a new teacher assigns too much homework. The local library seems like the best place for them to hit the books...until the books start hitting back! It turns out the Phantom of the Library is playing practical jokes on innocent readers.

# Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark

*Alvin Schwartz*

There is a story here for everyone—skeletons with torn and tangled flesh who roam the earth; a ghost who takes revenge on her murderer; and a haunted house where every night a bloody head falls down the chimney. Read, if you dare!

## A Tale Dark and Grimm

*Adam Gidwitz*

Hansel and Gretel walk out of their own story and into eight other classic Grimm (and Grimm-inspired) fairy tales. As the siblings roam a forest brimming with menacing foes, they learn the true story behind the famous tales, as well as how to take charge of their destinies and create their own happily ever after.

## Tracker

*Gary Paulsen*

For John Borne's family, hunting has nothing to do with sport, but of survival. Every fall, John and his grandfather go off into the woods to shoot the deer that puts meat on the table over the long Minnesota winter. But this year John's grandfather is dying, and John must hunt alone. After tracking a doe for two days, he realizes he cannot shoot her. For John, the hunt is no longer about killing, but about life.

## WARRIORS, BOOK #6: The Darkest Hour

*Erin Hunter*

ThunderClan's darkest hour is upon them, as Tigerstar's quest for power plunges all the Clans into the most terrible danger any cat has ever faced. In order to save his Clan and his friends, Fireheart must uncover the meaning of an ominous proclamation from StarClan. The time has come for prophecies to unfold, and for heroes to rise...

# Wonder

*R.J. Palacio*

August Pullman was born with a facial difference that, up until now, has prevented him from going to a mainstream school. Starting 5<sup>th</sup> grade at Beecher Prep, he wants nothing more than to be treated as an ordinary kid—but his new classmates can't get past Auggie's extraordinary face.

## GRADES 7-9

# Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe

*Benjamin Alire Saenz*

Aristotle is an angry teen with a brother in prison. Dante is a know-it-all who has an unusual way of looking at the world. When the two meet at the swimming pool, they seem to have nothing in common. But as the loners start spending time together, they discover that they share a special friendship—the kind that changes lives and lasts a lifetime.

# Call Me Maria

*Judith Ortiz Cofer*

Maria is a girl caught between two worlds: Puerto Rico, where she was born, and New York, where she now lives in a basement apartment in the barrio. As she struggles to lose her island accent, Maria does her best to find her place within the unfamiliar culture of the barrio. Finally, with the Spanglish of the barrio people ringing in her ears, she finds the poet within herself.

# Colin Fischer

*Ashley Edward Miller*

Colin Fischer cannot stand to be touched. He does not like the color blue, and needs index cards to recognize facial expressions. But when a gun is found in the school cafeteria, Colin is the only one for the investigation. It's up to him to prove that the school bully, Wayne Connelly, didn't bring the gun to school.

# Extras

*Scott Westerfeld*

The final book in the Uglies series, is set a couple of years after the "mind-rain." The cure has spread from city to city, and the pretty regime that kept humanity in a state of bubbleheadedness has ended. But culture is splintering, and the cities are becoming radically different from each other as each makes its own way into this strange and unpredictable future...

# Looking for Alaska

*John Green*

Miles "Pudge" Halter is done with his safe life at home. His obsession with famous last words has only made him crave "the Great Perhaps" even more. He heads off to the sometimes crazy and anything-but-boring world of Culver Creek Boarding School, and his life becomes the opposite of safe. Because down the hall is Alaska Young. She is an event unto herself. She pulls Pudge into her world, steals his heart, and launches him into the Great Perhaps.

# **THE MAZE RUNNER, BOOK #2:**

## **The Scorch Trials**

*James Dashner*

Solving the Maze was supposed to be the end. Thomas was sure that escaping from the Maze would mean freedom for him and the Gladers. But WICKED isn't done yet. Phase Two has just begun, and there are no rules. There is no help. You either make it or you die.

## **Midwinterblood**

*Marcus Sedgwick*

Set on the Scandinavian island of Blessed, seven stories of passion and love separated by centuries but mysteriously intertwined—this is a tale of horror and beauty, tenderness and sacrifice. What binds these stories together? What secrets lurk beneath the surface of this idyllic countryside? And what might be powerful enough to break the cycle of midwinterblood?

## **Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children**

*Ransom Riggs*

A mysterious island. An abandoned orphanage. A strange collection of very curious photographs. After a family tragedy, sixteen-year-old Jacob journeys to a remote island where he discovers the crumbling ruins of Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children. As he explores the deserted home, it becomes clear that these children weren't just odd, but may also have been dangerous. And as impossible as it may seem, they might still be alive.

## **The Perks of Being a Wallflower**

*Stephen Chbosky*

Standing on the fringes of life offers a unique perspective, but there comes a time to see what it looks like from the dance floor.

# The Replacement

*Brenna Yovanoff*

Mackie Doyle is The Replacement—left in the crib of a human baby sixteen years ago. He has been raised among us. But he is not one of us. Now, he must face the dark creatures of the slag heaps from which he came and find his rightful place—in our world or theirs.

## GENERAL INTEREST

### Great Black Heroes: Five Brilliant Scientists

*Lynda Jones*

Percy Julian discovered medicines. Shirley Jackson studied atoms. George Washington Carver discovered ways to help farmers. Read about these great scientists and more!

### Harvesting Hope: The Story of Cesar Chavez

*Kathleen Krull*

Cesar Chavez is one of America's greatest civil rights leaders. But he wasn't always a leader. As a boy, his family slaved in the fields for barely enough money to survive. Cesar knew things had to change. So he took charge and spoke up, and an entire country listened.

### I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education and Was Shot by the Taliban

*Malala Yousafzai*

The story of Malala's journey from the Taliban controlled Swat Valley in Pakistan, where she was shot in the head for fighting for her right to an education, to the halls of the United Nations, becoming the youngest nominee ever for the Nobel Peace Prize.



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## The Book Thief

***Markus Zusak***

It is 1939. Liesel Meminger is a foster girl living outside of Munich, who scratches out a meager existence for herself by stealing, when she encounters something she can't resist—books. With the help of her accordion-playing foster father, she learns to read and shares her stolen books with her neighbors during bombing raids as well as with the Jewish man hidden in her basement.

## A Christmas Carol

***Charles Dickens***

In this Christmas classic, miser Ebenezer Scrooge has never met a shilling he doesn't like and hardly a man he does. But he hates Christmas most of all. When Scrooge is visited by the ghost of his old partner, Jacob Marley, and the ghosts of Christmases Past, Present, and Yet to Come, he learns the eternal lessons of charity, kindness, and goodwill.

# **The Giver**

***Lois Lowry***

Jonas' world is perfect. Everything is under control. There is no war or fear of pain. There are no choices. Every person is assigned a role in the community. When Jonas turns twelve, he is signaled out to receive special training from the Giver. The Giver alone holds the memories of the true pain and pleasure of life. Now, it is time for Jonas to receive the truth. There is no turning back.

# **The Hunger Games**

***Suzanne Collins***

What happens if we choose entertainment over humanity? An annual government-run competition on reality TV pits two dozen teens from its territories against one another in this stunning novel set in the future with unsettling parallels to the present. Part 1 of this exciting trilogy.

# **A Wrinkle in Time**

***Madeleine L'Engle***

Meg Murry's father has been experimenting with the fifth dimension of time travel when he mysteriously disappears. Now the time has come for Meg, her friend Calvin, and younger brother Charles Wallace to rescue him. But can they outwit the forces of evil they will encounter on their heart-stopping journey through space?