

ELEMENTARY AGE

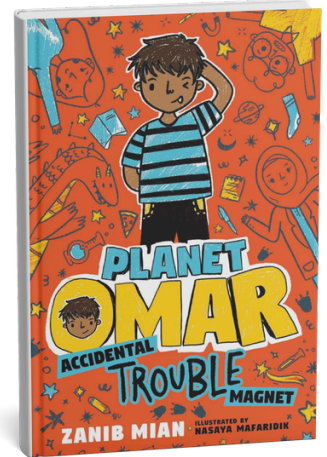
FICTION

1. The Power of Habit: Why We Do What We Do in Life and Business

by Zanib Mian (2019)

Summary:

Omar is an imaginative boy who has recently started at a new school and is trying to figure out how to fit in while adjusting to unfamiliar classmates and routines. His lively imagination often transforms everyday situations into exaggerated adventures, especially when he deals with a class bully and awkward misunderstandings. Through family support, humor, and persistence, Omar learns how kindness and confidence help him navigate the ups and downs of school life.



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2. The Paper Kingdom

by Helena Ku Rhee (2018)

Summary:

Daniel sometimes spends evenings at the office building where his parents work as janitors, wandering through quiet hallways while they clean. To keep him entertained, his parents create magical bedtime stories about a brave kingdom made entirely of paper. As Daniel imagines these adventures, he begins to see his parents' work and sacrifices in a new light and discovers how imagination and family love can turn ordinary nights into meaningful experiences.



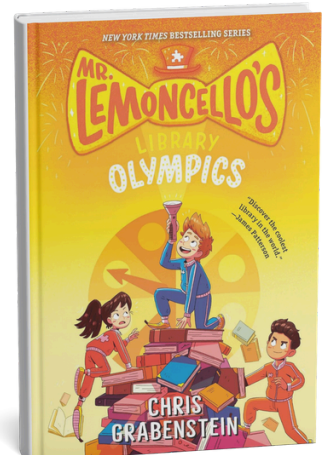
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3. Mr. Lemoncello's Library Olympics

by Chris Grabenstein (2016)

Summary:

Kyle Keeley and his friends return to the extraordinary library designed by the eccentric game maker Mr. Lemoncello to compete in a new set of literary challenges. Teams must solve puzzles, decipher clues hidden among books, and complete creative challenges throughout the building. As the competition unfolds, the students discover that teamwork, creativity, and a love of reading are just as important as winning the games.



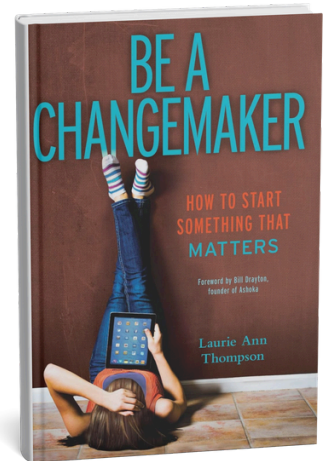
NON-FICTION

4. Be a Changemaker

by Laurie Ann Thompson (2014)

Summary:

This book introduces young readers to the idea that anyone, regardless of age, can make a positive difference in the world. Through stories, examples, and simple action steps, it shows how children can identify problems in their communities and work toward solutions. Readers are encouraged to think creatively about how their ideas and actions can help others.



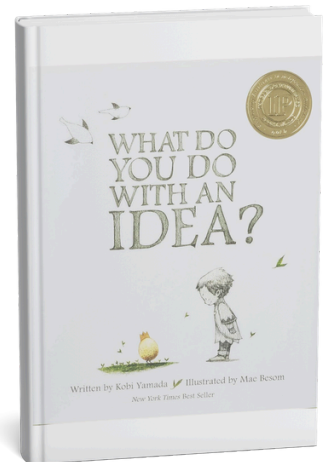
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5. What Do You Do With an Idea?

by Kobi Yamada (2014)

Summary:

The story follows a young child who has a curious new idea but feels unsure about sharing it with others. As the idea grows stronger, the child learns to nurture and protect it rather than hide it. Through this journey, readers discover how creativity, persistence, and belief in one's ideas can lead to meaningful change.



HIDDEN GEM SELECTION

6. The Real Boy

by Anne Ursu (2013)

Summary:

Oscar is an apprentice magician who spends most of his days quietly preparing magical ingredients for his mentor in a mysterious town. When strange events begin to affect the town's magic, Oscar and his brave friend Callie set out to uncover the truth. Their journey becomes a story about friendship, courage, and discovering one's own identity.

