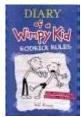
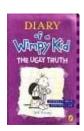
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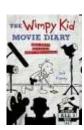
















## ...then we suggest:

#### The Strange Case of Origami Yoda

Tom Angleberger J Ang Tommy and his 6th-grade friends describe their interactions with Yoda, a paper finger puppet worn by their weird classmate, Dwight, as they try to figure out whether or not the puppet can really predict the future. Includes instructions for making Origami Yoda.

#### Frindle

Andrew Clement J Cle Nick turns his 5th-grade teacher's love of the dictionary into a game by inventing a new word which begins a chain of events that quickly moves beyond his control.

#### The Big Fat Cow That Goes Kapow

Andy Griffiths J Gri In these ten easy-to-read stories, a mixed up cow says "Miaow," a mole plays rock 'n' roll and a boy named Mike rides a bike.

#### Dear Max

Sally Grindley J Gri As Max, who is almost ten, and his favorite author exchange letters, the two writers help each other with their new books and develop a special friendship.

#### Dork in Disguise

Carol Gorman J Gor Starting middle school in a new town, brainy Jerry Flack changes his image from "dork" to "cool kid," only to discover that he'd rather be himself.

#### The Homework Machine

Dan Gutman J Gut Four 5th-grade students—a geek, a class clown, a teacher's pet, and a slacker—and their mothers and teacher relate events surrounding a computer programmed to complete homework assignments.

#### Middle School is Worse than Meatloaf: A Year Told through Stuff

Jennifer Holm J Hol Ginny starts out with ten items on her todo list for 7th grade, but notes, cartoons, and other "stuff" reveal what is going wrong between September and June, at school and at home.

# The Popularity Papers: Research for the Social Improvement and General Betterment of Lydia Goldblatt & Julie Graham-Chang

Amy Ignatow J Ign Two best friends embark on a project to study the behavior and taste of the popular girls at their elementary school so that by the time they get to middle school they, too, will be in the right crowd. This novel reads like a scrapbook.

#### Raymond and Graham Rule the School

Mike Knudson J Knu Best friends Raymond and Graham have looked forward to being the "oldest, coolest, toughest" boys at East Millcreek Elementary School, but from the start of 4th grade everything goes wrong.

#### My Life as a Fifth-Grade Comedian

Elizabeth Levy J Lev Although Bobby's father thinks that he might be expelled like his older brother, with the encouragement of a new 5th-grade teacher, Bobby tries to channel his humor into a learning experience.

#### Lenny and Mel

Erik Kraft J Kra Twin brothers observe a year's worth of holidays in some very unusual ways.

## School! Adventures at the Harvey N. Trouble Elementary School

Kate McMullan J McM Each morning, student Ron Faster hurries to Harvey N. Trouble School, where he encounters the science teacher, Ms. Roxanne Pebbles, the music instructor, Mrs. Doremi Fasollatido, and the janitor, Mr. Iquit.

#### Amelia's Notebook

Marissa Moss J Mos A 9-year-old girl records her thoughts and feelings about moving, starting school, and dealing with her older sister, as well as keeping old friends and making new ones.

#### **Lawn Boy**

Gary Paulsen J Pau Things get out of hand for a 12-year-old boy when a neighbor convinces him to expand his summer lawn mowing business.

#### Big Nate in a Class by Himself

Lincoln Peirce J Pei A supremely confident middle school student manages to make getting detention from every one of his teachers in the same day seem like an achievement.

## Dork Diaries: Tales from a Not-So-Fabulous Life

Rachel Renee Russell J Rus Fourteen-year-old Nikki struggles to be popular at her exclusive new private school. Witty black and white drawings appear throughout the text.

#### **Sideways Stories From Wayside School**

Louis Sachar J Sac Humorous episodes from the classroom on the 30th floor of Wayside School, which was accidentally built sideways with one classroom on each story.

# Justin Case: School, Drool, and Other Daily Disasters

Rachel Vail J Vai Relates the daily worries and problems of Justin Case as he struggles to survive 3rd grade.

