McKendry, Joe. **ONE TIMES SQUARE**
A look at Times Square and the iconic building that gave it its name.

Montgomery, Sy. **KAKAPO RESCUE: SAVING THE WORLD’S STRANGEST PARROT**
Examines the rescue mission in New Zealand to save the last 91 kakapo parrots on earth.

Murphy, Jim. **THE GIANT AND HOW HE HUMBUGGED AMERICA**
A true account of the 1869 Cardiff Giant hoax involving the discovery of a purported ten-foot “petrified man.”

Pinkney, Andrea Davis. **HAND IN HAND: TEN BLACK MEN WHO CHANGED AMERICA**
Stories about ten influential African-American men from different eras in American history.

Ross, Stewart. **INTO THE UNKNOWN**
Discover how some of the greatest explorers in history plunged into the unknown.

Rusch, Elizabeth. **ERUPTION!: VOLCANOES AND THE SCIENCE OF SAVING LIVES**
Two scientists and their team track down dangerous volcanoes.

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**Common Core Corner: Rigorous Reads**

Hoose, Philip. **MOONBIRD**
A bird migration that extends 9,000 miles from the coast of Argentina to the Arctic Circle.

Sheinkin, Steve. **BOMB: THE RACE TO BUILD AND STEAL THE WORLD’S MOST DANGEROUS WEAPON**
What’s harder than building an atomic bomb? Keeping it a secret!

Stone, Tanya Lee. **COURAGE HAS NO COLOR**
Meet the Triple Nickles, America's first black paratroopers.

Vanderpool, Clare. **NAVIGATING EARLY**
Two boarding schoolmates embark on a quest that forces them to confront many hardships.

Vawter, Vince. **PAPERBOY**
A young boy with a debilitating stutter has a memorable summer as his town’s paperboy.

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Books for Sixth Graders

Fiction

Curtis, Christopher Paul. THE MIGHTY MISS MALONE
One family’s struggles to overcome poverty during the Great Depression.

Gantos, Jack. DEAD END IN NORVELT*
Young Jack Gantos experiences a summer that is marked by death, gore & hilarity.

Goldblatt, Mark. TWERP
Julian keeps a journal after being suspended from school.

Grabenstein, Chris. ESCAPE FROM MR. LEMONCELLO’S LIBRARY
Whoever escapes from the library first, wins!

Green, Tim. UNSTOPPABLE
Best friends compete for a single spot on a baseball team.

House, Silas. SAME SUN HERE
Through letters and emails, two pen pals find solace in one another.

Korman, Gordon. UNGIFTED
Maybe the ungifted Donovan has something to teach the gifted students.

Lai, Thanhha. INSIDE OUT AND BACK AGAIN
A young Vietnamese girl recounts her journey from war-torn Vietnam to America in 1975.

Levine, Kristin. THE LIONS OF LITTLE ROCK
An unlikely friendship develops in the segregated South.

Meloy, Colin. WILDWOOD*
A young girl travels to a magical forest in search of her kidnapped brother.

Ottaviani, Jim. PRIMATES: THE FEARLESS SCIENCE OF JANE GOODALL, DIAN FOSSEY, AND BIRUTÉ GALDIKAS
Three female scientists learn about primates.

Scieszka, Jon. GUYS READ: THE SPORTS PAGES*
Ten sports short stories that showcase how a good story is like a good game.

Schmidt, Gary. OKAY FOR NOW
A young boy adjusts to leaving Long Island for upstate New York.

Sloan, Holly Goldberg. COUNTING BY 75
A quirky girl must overcome the loss of her parents.

Telgemeier, Raina. SMILE
Raina suffers a fall and severely injures her two front teeth causing her great concern about her appearance.

*Title is one in a series

Informational Books

Aronson, Marc. IF STONES COULD SPEAK
Archaeologists uncover the mysteries behind the Stonehenge monument.

Bobrick, Benson. A PASSION FOR VICTORY
The history of the Olympic Games from 8th Century B.C. to the present.

Bolden, Tonya. EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION
A vivid description of the issues that lead to President Lincoln’s famous document.

Carson, Mary Kay. BEYOND THE SOLAR SYSTEM
A fast-paced tour of the history of astronomy.

Close, Chuck. CHUCK CLOSE: FACE BOOK
An autobiographical account of how Chuck Close overcame his disabilities and became an artist.

Fleming, Candace. AMELIA LOST
Alternating chapters describe Amelia’s life and the tense, exciting, global search for her missing plane.

Hopkinson, Deborah. TITANIC: VOICES FROM THE DISASTER
The Titanic tragedy through the eyes of its witnesses and survivors.