Ellray thinks being great at basketball will make everyone forget that he’s short.

Hank wants to find a way out of going to summer school.

Informational Books

Bechtel, Mark. *BASEBALL THEN TO WOW!* Everything has changed about baseball since the 1800’s.

Davey, Owen. *MAD ABOUT MONKEYS* Learn all about monkeys!


Jenkins, Steve. *HOW TO SWALLOW A PIG* A how-to guide of the skills animals use to survive in the wild.

Osborne, Mary Pope. *SHARKS AND OTHER PREDATORS* The Magic Tree House duo share all they know about sharks.

Stine, Megan. *WHO IS SONIA SOTOMAYOR?* Meet the first Latina Supreme Court Justice.

Challenging Reads

Buyea, Rob. *SAVING MR. TERUPT* Students work together to save their favorite teacher’s job.

Gemeinhart, Dan. *SOME KIND OF COURAGE* A young boy’s valiant effort to find and bring home his beloved horse.

Kelly, Erin Entrada. *HELLO, UNIVERSE* Four very different friends must work together to solve a mystery and stand up to a bully.

Philip, Aaron. *THIS KID CAN FLY* Aaron doesn’t let cerebral palsy slow him down.

Reynolds, Jason. *GHOST* Can track star Ghost stay on track and out of trouble to reach his full potential?

Sloan, Holly Goldberg. *SHORT* Julia learns a lot about herself the summer she plays a munchkin in *The Wizard of Oz.*
Books for Fourth Graders

Fiction

Angleberger, Tom. ROCKET & GROOT: STRANDED ON PLANET STRIP MALL*
Rocket and Groot have to escape from a hostile planet.

Avi. CATCH YOU LATER, TRAITOR
In 1951, Pete has to find a way to protect his family.

Barry, Dave. THE WORST NIGHT EVER *
Wyatt and Max have to rescue a ferret from bullies.

Calonita, Jen. FLUNKED *
Gilly has to go to reform school, where the teachers are fairy tale villains.

Camper, Cathy. LOWRIDERS TO THE CENTER OF THE EARTH *
Lupe and her friends have to save their cat from an Aztec god. (Graphic Novel)

Casanova, Mary. GRACE *
Grace visits relatives in Paris.

Coville, Bruce. HATCHED
A griffin makes friends with a human.

Dadey, Debbie. THE LOST PRINCESS *
Shelly isn’t sure if she wants to be a mermaid princess.

Greenwald, Tommy. KATIE FRIEDMAN GIVES UP TEXTING!
Katie has to convince 10 friends to give up their phones for a week to win concert tickets.

Harrold, A.F. THE IMAGINARY
Rudger, Amanda’s imaginary friend, is in danger.

Holm, Jennifer L. FULL OF BEANS
Beans has lots of plans to earn money.

Holt, Kimberly Willis. BLOOMING AT THE TEXAS SUNRISE MOTEL
Stevie is trying to rebuild her life and find a place to call home after the sudden death of her parents.

Korman, Gordon. RESTART
A kid with a messy past has to figure out what it means to get a clean start.

Kuenzler, Lou. A ROYAL DISASTER *
Grace isn’t like the other girls at the Tall Tower Princess Academy.

McKay, Hilary. LULU AND THE HAMSTER IN THE NIGHT *
Lulu and Mellie try to hide a hamster from their grandmother.

Mass, Wendy. GRACEFUL *
Grace and her friends use magic to protect Willow Falls.

Miles, Ellen. BUBBLES AND BOO *
Bubbles, a poodle and Boo, a rabbit are looking for a new home together.

Mills, Claudia. THE TROUBLE WITH BABIES *
Nora has to work with a girl she doesn’t like and adjust to being an aunt.

Myracle, Lauren. WISHING DAY *
Three wishes that don’t work out exactly as planned.

Patterson, James. JACKY HA-HA *
Jacky hides her problems by making people laugh.

Rubin, Sarah. THE IMPOSSIBLE CLUE
Alice uses science to solve mysteries.

Scieszka, Jon. FRANK EINSTEIN AND THE BRAINTURBO *
Frank uses his robots Klink and Klank to save the world.

Simon, Coco. KATIE, JUST DESSERTS *
Katie wants to escape the changes in her family by baking.

Swaab, Neil. THE SECRETS TO RULING SCHOOL *
Max has a great plan for being the most popular kid in middle school.

Tarshis, Lauren. I SURVIVED THE ERUPTION OF MOUNT ST. HELENS, 1980 *
Jessie doesn’t believe Mount St. Helens is dangerous until it explodes.

*Title is one in a series