

# Book Suggestions for Grades 5 - 6

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## Author and Title

- YA F BLACKER Blacker, Terence. The angel factory. New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2002. Spurred on by his best friend, twelve-year-old Thomas uncovers two major family secrets: that he was adopted, and that his perfect-seeming family is part of an other-worldly organization.
- F COLFER Colfer, Eoin. Artemis Fowl: the Arctic incident. New York: Hyperion Books For Children, 2002. Thirteen-year-old criminal mastermind Artemis Fowl must join forces with his nemesis, Captain Holly Short of the LEPrecon fairy police, in order to save his father--one of the few people in the world Artemis loves--who has been kidnapped by the Russian Mafiya.
- F VOI Voigt, Cynthia. Dicey's song. New York: Atheneum, 1982. Now that the four abandoned Tillerman children are settled in with their grandmother, Dicey finds that their new beginnings require love, trust, humor, and courage.
- YA 811 SOTO Soto, Gary. Fearless Fernie: hanging out with Fernie and me: poems. New York: Putnam's, 2002. An illustrated collection of poems about two best friends and the trials of the middle school years.
- F Bil Billingsley, Franny. The Folk Keeper. New York: Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 1999. Orphan Corinna disguises herself as a boy to pose as a Folk Keeper, one who keeps the Evil Folk at bay, and discovers her heritage as a seal maiden when she is taken to live with a wealthy family in their manor by the sea.
- F HOFFMAN Hoffman, Alice. Green angel. New York: Scholastic Press, 2003. Haunted by grief and by her past after losing her family in a fire, fifteen-year-old Green retreats into her ruined garden as she struggles to survive emotionally and physically on her own.
- F SACHAR Sachar, Louis. Holes. New York: Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 1998. As further evidence of his family's bad fortune, which they attribute to a curse on a distant relative, Stanley Yelnats is sent to a hellish correctional camp in the Texas desert where he finds his first real friend, a treasure, and a new sense of himself.
- F WOO Woodson, Jacqueline. Miracle's boys. New York: G.P. Putnam's Sons, 2000. Twelve-year-old Lafayette's close relationship with his older brother Charlie changes after Charlie is released from a detention home and blames Lafayette for the death of their mother.
- F BAU Bauer, Marion Dane. On my honor. New York: Clarion Books, 1986. When his best friend drowns while they are both swimming in a treacherous river that they had promised never to go near, Joel is devastated and terrified at having to tell both sets of parents the terrible consequences of their disobedience.
- F GIFF Giff, Patricia Reilly. Pictures of Hollis Woods. New York: Wendy Lamb Books, 2002. A troublesome twelve-year-old orphan, staying with an elderly artist who needs her, remembers the only other time she was happy in a foster home, with a family that truly seemed to care about her.
- F COULOUMBIS Couloumbis, Audrey. Say yes. New York: Putnam's, 2002. In her efforts to hang on following the disappearance of her stepmother, Casey resorts to anything, including robbery.
- F CRE Creech, Sharon. Walk two moons. New York: HarperCollins, 1994. After her mother leaves home suddenly, thirteen-year-old Sal and her grandparents take a car trip retracing her mother's route. Along the way, Sal recounts the story of her friend Phoebe, whose mother also left.

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