2016 Intermediate Masterlist with Annotations

Black, Holly. *Doll Bones*. New York: Simon & Schuster, 2013. 244p. (Grade 5-9). Zach, Alice, and Poppy’s wild imaginations send them on a real-life quest to Ohio to bury a creepy doll made of the ashes of a dead girl to put to rest a ghost that appears in Poppy’s dreams.

Coriell, S. *Goodbye, Rebel Blue*. New York: Harry N. Abrams. 2013. 299p. (Grades 8-up). A chance encounter between students Rebecca Blue and Kennedy Green during detention leads to both girls creating a bucket list. When Kennedy dies unexpectedly, Rebel decides she must complete the bucket list written by Kennedy.

Gewirtz, Adina Rishe. *Zebra Forest*. Somerville: Candlewick, 2013. 208p. (Grades 5-8). Anna and her brother Rew spend their time in the zebra forest spinning fantastical tales about their murdered father but all that changes the day an escaped prisoner takes her family hostage and reveals shocking secrets about her family.

Honeyman, Kay. *The Fire Horse Girl*. New York: Arthur A. Levine Books, 2013. 321p. (Grades 7-12). Because teenager Jade Moon was born in the year of the Fire Horse, her family has always considered her unlucky. Now it is 1923, and Jade, unfairly detained at Angel Island Immigration Station, is determined to take control of her own destiny.


London, Alex. *Proxy*. New York: Philomel Books, 2013. 384p. (Grades 7-up). Syd has spent his life taking punishment for Knox’s bad behavior. Syd is a proxy and counting the days until he can begin his own life. When Knox wrecks a car and causes the death of his date, Syd is sentenced to hard labor he cannot possibly survive and realizes joining the rebellion may be his only chance at survival.

McNeal, Tom. *Far Far Away*. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2013. 371p. (Grades 7-12). In this modern fairy tale, Jeremy’s ability to talk to the ghost of Jacob Grimm, one of the Brothers Grimm, might be his only hope to save his life when he finds out who is behind the series of disappearances in his town.

Medina, Meg. *Yaqui Delgado Wants to Kick Your Ass*. Somerville: Candlewick Press, 2013. 260p. (Grades 8-12). On the first day at her new school, Piddy Sanchez is targeted by a female bully and her gang. When the bullying escalates to physical violence, Piddy is forced to take action to protect herself and her future.
Sales, Leila.  *This Song Will Save Your Life.* New York: Farrar Straus Giroux, 2013. 276p. (Grades 7-12). Sixteen-year-old loner Elise stumbles upon a midnight warehouse party where she unknowingly finds new friends and a passion for being a DJ.

Sanderson, Brian. *The Rithmatist.* New York: Tor Teen, 2013. 378p. (Grades 6-10). Joel is a student at Armedius Academy and wants nothing more than to be a rithmatist; rithmatists are chosen by the Master in a mysterious ceremony and are taught how to bring 2-D chalk drawings to life. After Professor Fitch is assigned to investigate recent happenings which include rithmatic students who have gone missing, Joel and Melody become part of the detective team and together they try to discover just what’s happening and who is responsible.

Sanderson, Brian. *Steelheart.* Random House: New York, 2013. 418p. (Grades 7-12). After his father is killed by a new breed of super villain called an Epic, David must find the underground rebel group The Reckoners and help free his city from the tyranny of Steelheart and the other Epics.


Swanson, James L. *“The President has been Shot!” The Assassination of John F. Kennedy.* New York: Scholastic, 2013. 270p. (Grades 6-up). On November 22, 1963, time stood still as United States President John F. Kennedy was brutally murdered by an assassin as he traveled through Dallas, Texas in an open motorcade.

Tingle, Tim. *How I Became a Ghost.* Oklahoma City: RoadRunner press, 2013. 141p. (Grades 7-up). In recalling his journey of becoming a ghost on the Trail of Tears, a ten-year-old Choctaw boy called Isaac tells, not only his story, but also that of a shape-shifting panther, a kidnapped teenage girl, her five-year old ghost sister, and dozens of others who suffered and perished under the harsh cruelties of forced resettlement.