



Sports

Stories



Mia

Mia grew up playing ice hockey with her brothers, but now wants to see if she has what it takes to compete as a figure skater.

J AMERICAN



S.O.R. Losers

Each member of the South Orange River seventh-grade soccer team has qualities of excellence, but not on the soccer field.

J AVI



The Warriors

As a member of the lacrosse team and of the Iroquois heritage, Jake knows how sacred the game is. When he moves to a boarding school and plays for their team, he finds that Coach Scott is feeding untruths to his team about the game.

J BRUCHAC



The Big Bike Race

Ernest Peterson's hopes of winning the Washington, D.C., Citywide Cup bicycle race are shattered when his grandmother gives him a huge, clunky, yellow bike for his tenth birthday.

J BLEDSOE



Soccer Duel

Team rivalry threatens to spoil a budding friendship between a showy soccer player, Bryce, and soft-spoken but talented Renny.

J CHRISTOPHER



Top of the Order

Ten-year-old Jackson lives for baseball, but becomes distracted by the approach of middle school, his mother's latest boyfriend, and the presence of a girl--his good friend's sister--on his team.

J COY



The Brooklyn Nine: a novel in nine innings

Follows the fortunes of a German immigrant family through nine generations, beginning in 1845, as they experience American life and play baseball.

J GRATZ



Football Champ

Twelve-year-old Troy's uncanny gift for predicting football plays proves a powerful secret weapon for the Atlanta Falcons, but a seedy reporter with a vendetta suspects something is going on and sets out to shred the reputations of Troy and star linebacker Seth Halloway.

J GREEN



Owen Foote, Soccer Star

When eight-year-old Owen and his best friend Joseph join a neighborhood soccer league, they not only face a test of their game skills but also of their friendship.

J GREENE



Ray & Me: a baseball adventure

After recovering from being hit in the head during a baseball game, Stosh travels back in time to try to save Ray Chapman, a batter who was killed by a pitch in New York in 1920.

J GUTMAN



Basketball Bats

Henry and his basketball teammates, the Bats, take on the Tigers, and Henry learns a lesson about working as a team.

J HICKS

**No More Dead Dogs****J KORMAN**

Eighth-grade football hero Wallace Wallace is sentenced to detention attending rehearsals of the school play where, in spite of himself, he becomes wrapped up in the production and begins to suggest changes that improve not only the play but his life as well.

**Tackling Dad****J LEVY**

When Cassie tries out for the middle school football team, she faces unexpected opposition from her father, a former professional football player.

**Two-Minute Drill****J LUPICA**

Brainy Scott, a great kicker who otherwise struggles with football, and star quarterback Chris, who has dyslexia, team up to help each other succeed in both football and school.

**Sixth Grade Glommers, Norks, and Me****J PAPADEME**

As she starts middle school, soccer-playing sixth-grader Allie Kimball worries about losing her best friend and being considered a "nerd," but ultimately makes important decisions about how to treat others and remain true to herself.

**Keeping Score****J PARK**

In Brooklyn in 1951, a die-hard Giants fan teaches nine-year-old Maggie, who is a "Bums" (Dodgers) fan, how to use a technique to keep score of a baseball game which creates a special friendship between them.

**The Real Lucky Charm****J RICHARDSON**

Thinking that luck--rather than hard work--has helped her succeed on the court and at school, ten-year-old Mia panics and turns to her twin brother for help when her lucky gold basketball goes missing from her charm bracelet.

**The Desperado Who Stole Baseball****J RITTER**

In 1881, the scrappy, rough-and-tumble baseball team in a California mining town enlists the help of a quick-witted twelve-year-old orphan and the notorious outlaw Billy the Kid to win a big game against the National League Champion Chicago White Stockings.

**Slam Dunk!****J ROBINSON**

At Harlem's Langston Hughes Middle School, eleven-year-old Elijah "Jumper" Breeze and his friends compete against Nia and her girlfriends on the basketball court, in a video dance tournament, and for a Student Council seat, and, meanwhile, several of the students face issues with their fathers.

**Mudville****J SCALETTA**

For twenty-two years, since a fateful baseball game against their rival town, it has rained in Moundville, so when the rain finally stops, twelve-year-old Roy, his friends, and foster brother Sturgis dare to face the curse and form a team.

**Dragon Road****J YEP**

In 1939, unable to find regular jobs because of the Great Depression, long-time friends Cal Chin and Barney Young tour the country as members of a Chinese American basketball team.