

Recommended Reading

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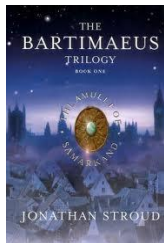


Brooklyn Bridge by Karen Hesse

Set in New York City at the turn of the century this novel tells the story of 14 year old Joe and his parents who escaped from Russia. There is a parallel story about abandoned children who live under the Brooklyn Bridge. Susan says this is a fabulous read in CD format.

Lizzie Bright and the Buckminster boy by Gary Schmidt

(Grades 6-9) A powerful tale of friendship and coming-of-age, this book weaves history and strong characters into a moving story.



The Amulet of Samarkand by Jonathan Stroud

Nathaniel, magician' apprentice who was sold to the government at age 5 must deal with powerful forces on his own. Humour and wit abound in this novel, the first in The Bartimaeus Trilogy.

Penny from heaven by Jennifer Holm

In the summer of 1953, 11 year old Penny lives with her widowed American mother, surrounded by a boisterous Italian family. It is a story woven around everyday family life and secrets.



The Song of the Whales by Uri Orlev

(Grades 4-6) A spare, swift novel about Michael who moves to Israel where he meets his Grandpa and they develop a strong bond. He learns to dream with him and have adventures in his sleep. Clash of the demons by Joseph Delaney (book 6 of the Last Apprentice Series): Kalil has enjoyed this series and book 6 was amazing and very scary.

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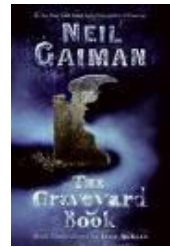


Tiger, tiger by Lynne Reid Banks

Two tigers cub brothers are seized from their jungle home and taken to Rome. The larger, stronger cub is trained as a killer of gladiators. The younger smaller cub becomes a pet to Caesar's daughter, Aurelia. Fascinating look at ancient Rome.

The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman

Nobody Owens, known to his friends as Bod, is a normal boy. He would be completely normal if he didn't live in a graveyard, being raised by ghosts. If Bod leaves the graveyard he will come under attack from a man named Jack. A very exciting read I couldn't put it down.



Death in the Air by Shane Peacock

The 2nd book in the Boy Sherlock Holmes series. The crafty turns and twists of this mystery adventure only intensify from the sensational opening, so you can't turn the pages fast enough. For kids 8- 12 who like dark mysteries.