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VOTE SMART

WITH JANELL ALEWYN

Are you registered to vote? Do you know when the next election is? Is the entire process overwhelming? Get answers to these questions and more at our interactive Vote Smart information session with Janell Alewyn. Janell will give a presentation about the ins and outs of obtaining reliable voting information. She will also walk you through how, and where to go to gather nonbiased information on candidates including where they stand on issues important to you. Janell will also help you register to vote. Please bring your photo ID and/or your voter registration card if you have one. Vote Smart meets on Friday October 5th at 10:30 a.m.

To get a head start on the registration process or just to make sure you are registered visit www.arizona.vote. For more information call 520-723-6030 with questions.

SEE WHAT WE'RE UP TO IN OCTOBER

CELEBRATE FALL AT THE COOLIDGE CARNIVAL

Join the City of Coolidge Parks & Rec Department, and Coolidge Public Library at Kenilworth Sports Complex on Halloween night for food, games, crafts, and of course lots and lots of candy. There will also be a photo booth, costume contest, and in case you missed the Pumpkin Carving Party at the Library, there will be another chance to make your own Jack-o-Lantern with a pumpkin carving contest. You will not want to miss out on anything!

Wednesday, October 31st from 6 to 9 p.m. Kenilworth Sports Complex, 671 E. Coolidge Avenue.

Call 520-723-6030 or visit coolidgeaz.com for more information,

Party with Police During G.A.I.N Night.

G.A.I.N., or Getting Arizonans Involved In Neighborhoods, is Coolidge Police Department's celebration block party. Coolidge Police Officers will host this party and provide crime prevention information to help keep neighborhoods safe. In addition to the officers, police mascot, McGruff the Crime Dog, will be at the event.

G.A.I.N. gives neighbors a chance to get to know each other and also learn what resources are available to them in the city. G.A.I.N. is scheduled for Thursday, October 25th, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Kenilworth Sports Complex 671 E. Coolidge Avenue

For more information on G.A.I.N. please call 520-723-5311.



Get Your Coolidge Days Tickets at the City Hall

Coolidge days will take place Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, October 5th through the 7th in downtown Coolidge. Visit coolidgeaz.com for more details and come by City Hall to buy tickets, available until October 4th.

For more information visit www.coolidgeaz.com or call 520-723-5361

The Coolidge Public Library will be closed Saturday, October 6th for Coolidge Days and will reopen Monday, October 8th at 8:00 a.m. Items can be returned during closures in the book drops.

You can still access many library resources when we are closed! Check out cloudLibrary eBooks or RBdigital magazines and audiobooks. Go to www.coolidgeaz.com/library and click on Digital Resources.

CARVE UP SOME FUN WITH FAMILY PUMPKIN CARVING

Halloween is upon us and what better way to celebrate than by carving a pumpkin? For those who do not want to get messy with carving, we will supply paint to decorate pumpkins as well. We can't wait to see what you come up with! All ages are welcome at this family event. Children 7 and under must be accompanied by parents.

We will host our annual Pumpkin Carving Party on Wednesday, October 24th at 4:00 p.m. Supplies and pumpkins will be provided.

Please call (520) 723-6030 or email us at library@coolidgeaz.com with questions and to register.



Test Your Knowledge at Family Trivia Night

All ages are invited to Trivia Night! The next meeting is Thursday, October 11th at 5:30 p.m. Form your teams (up to five people) and we will have five 10-question rounds. Each round will be a different category. Snacks will be served. Don't worry if you don't have enough team members—we can help match you up!

Family Trivia Night meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 5:30 p.m.

GET SPOOKED BY HAUNTED HISTORIANS IN THE LIBRARY

Just in time for Halloween, the library is hosting the Haunted Historians, for a discussion of paranormal investigation and research. The group's main mission is to help with funding for upkeep and restoration of historic sites. Some historic haunting sites will be included in their discussion. The presentation will also include a demonstration of equipment used by paranormal investigators

Saturday, October 20th @ 11:00 a.m. Registration is encouraged ahead of time. Please call 520-723-6030 to register.



Let's Learn the A B C and Ds of Medicare

Did you know Medicare comes in either Traditional Medicare or Medicare Advantage? How do Parts A, B, and D work with each of these two options? This presentation addresses these questions and offers information on Medicare's enrollment periods and savings programs. Medicare will meet Thursday, October 18th at 4:00 p.m. Registration not required.

Join Our Writer's Workshop

Coolidge Local, and published author, Saskia Tepe will help budding authors sharpen their story skills with this twice monthly workshop on the first and third Thursdays of every month at 3:00 p.m. The first meeting will take place on October 4th. This program will run through April 2019.

Registration is encouraged, please call 520-723-6030 for more information.

Thank you, Friends of the Library

Every year libraries across America celebrate their Friends of the Library members. Coolidge is no exception. The library will say “thank you” to our Friends from October 21 – 27.

Learn a Little About Our Friends

The newsletter is a great way to describe how special the Friends of the Library are. Although the Friends incorporated in 1982, their history goes back to the 1950s. The Coolidge Public Library owes its very beginnings to what was once the Coolidge Women’s Club. This group of women eventually formed the Friends of the Coolidge Library. Once located at Pinkley Avenue and Arizona Blvd, the original library was operated by volunteers. The library eventually moved to its current location in 1969. Members of the Friends collected book donations, ran bake sales, yard sales, and other community fundraisers to help the library purchase furniture, books, and supplies.

While most services are provided by staff today, the Friends of the Library still play an important role. The Friends host books sales all year long during library hours on a shelf near the information desk. Every item on these shelves is available for purchase by anyone at any time. Friends also host several Mini Book Sales inside the library. During these sales you can choose from adult fiction, non-fiction, young adult, and children’s books as well as audio books and DVDs at special low prices. Watch the library calendars, newsletters, and social media sites for sale dates.

The Friends also host their Annual Book Sale at the Women’s Club on Pinkley. Thousands of books

including items removed from the library’s inventory, are available at special sale pricing during this event.

Customers may purchase single items or fill up provided boxes for incredibly low prices. This year’s annual sale is November 16 and 17. Money raised from these sales go directly into the Friends funds and are used to support the library’s summer activities. More than 1,400 people attended events funded by the Friends’ donations last summer alone.

INTRODUCING JR. FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY



In celebration of Friends of the Library Week, the library and Friends would like to introduce a Junior Friends of the Library group for children ages 7-17! Junior Friends can join for as little as \$1 per year and will receive extended checkout periods of 21 days (3 weeks) for books and audio books instead of 14 days (2 weeks). Junior Friends also volunteer one hour a month in the library by helping with library events and will attend quarterly meetings. They will also be eligible to help coordinate the first Junior Friends Book Sale in the summer of 2019.

Here’s How You Can Be a Friend Too

The library will host a Friends Membership Drive as part of our Celebrate Friends Week. Join us on Monday, October 22 for our Friends Cookie Social from 3:00 – 5:30 p.m. Junior Friends are invited to the Cookie Social too. Bring this newsletter to the library, or tag us on Social Media (Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter) with the hashtag #FriendsofLibrary. Then fill out the membership form during the Friends Cookie Social in the library, and you will receive a free high-quality Friends bag with your first year of paid Adult Membership. Become a member of the backbone of the library!

When you become a member, you not only get to be a part of a local legacy, you also receive extended check out periods for books and audio books. Memberships start as low as \$5 per year or \$50 for a lifetime membership.



Budding Bookworms



Stop by for a Story with Coolidge Firefighters

October is Fire Prevention Month. Coolidge Public Library is partnering with the Coolidge Fire Department again, to bring a fabulous firefighter story time to our Budding Bookworms. Come see Coolidge's fire team up close with stories and activities designed to introduce fire safety and the fire department to the youngest of Coolidge residents.

Wednesday, October 10th @10:15 a.m.



Share a Story with Sheriff's First Storytime

Coolidge Public Library is proud to present the first ever Storytime with a Sheriff Deputy. During our regularly scheduled storytime, the Pinal County Sheriff's Office will join in the fun with stories and activities for little ones.

Wednesday, October 3rd @10:15 a.m.

Learn Literacy Lessons with the Fun Van, Now Twice a Week

Fun Van offers parents a free lesson in early literacy skills alongside their infants and toddlers as they play and have fun. Each class can include; crafts, story time, a book to take home and information on how to build your child's literacy skills and love of reading.

Beginning October 1st Fun Van will visit the library on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10 a.m.

For more info on the Fun Van and to register, visit www.ajpl.org/van or call the library at 520-723-6030

HALLOWEEN STORYTIME IS BACK

Calling all pirates, ballerinas, superheroes, draculas, and witches too.

We have a spooky story time planned just for you.

Join us for our annual Preschool Halloween Story Time.

Once children have listened to a couple of fun stories, they will be led to various city offices to trick-or-treat. City staff will hand out treats, then the children will return to the library. Costumes are encouraged!

Parents must remain with children at all times. Registration is not required.

Wednesday, October 31st at 10:15 a.m.

Call (520) 723-6030 with questions.



Lego Club: Build the Imagination

This is an exciting program for children ages 5-12 years old. We supply the LEGOS and the children supply the imagination! Lego Club meets the second and fourth Friday of each month.

Lego Club is great for kids because it helps enhance their fine motor, STEM, social, and problem-solving skills. Not intended for children under the age of 5.

The next meetings are October 12th and 26th at 4:00 p.m.

Please call (520) 723-6030 with questions.

Teens Read in October for Teen Read Week

Teen Read Week 2018 will be celebrated at thousands of public and school libraries, classrooms, and bookstores across the country. Although teens realize the importance of reading, they have a huge menu of activities to choose from when deciding how to spend their free time, and reading gets lost in the shuffle. Reading skills get rusty when they are not used. And although there are many active literacy campaigns, very few efforts focus on teenagers. From October 7th to the 13th teens who come to the library and check out qualifying items, will receive one scratcher ticket per day, to enter a drawing for a chance to win a variety of prizes.

Please call (520) 723-6030 or email library@coolidgeaz.com with questions.

Make Some Haunted Houses with Tween Titans

Are you between the ages of 9 and 14? We have just the thing for you!



Tween Titans is both a fun and educational program that focuses on science, technology, art, math, and more. Join the Tween Titans for a special Halloween edition and come create a haunted Halloween treat!

Tween Titans meets the first and third Friday of each month at 4:00 p.m. The next meeting of Tween Titans will be October 5th and 19th. Be sure to watch next month's Word About Town for changes coming to Tween Titans.

Registration is not required for these events. Please call (520) 723-6030 or email library@coolidgeaz.com with questions.

Let's Sugar Code It!

Learning about Code, and even to Code, helps prepare children to tackle the future head on. Learning to Code helps with a child's math, writing, and creativity skills. The Library has an introductory computer coding club called Sugar Code It!

During Sugar Code It! kids 7 to 18 learn how to create games and websites by exploring computer programming. This diverse and future ready program is free to all community members. All supplies, and snacks are supplied by the Library.

For more information contact Miss Dani at 520-723-6030 or email us at library@coolidgeaz.com Join us October 2nd and 16th from 4:00 p.m. to 5:45 p.m.





JOIN THE STITCH-U-ATION NEEDLEWORK CLUB!

THE FOURTH FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH
@ 2:00 - 3:30 P.M.

Enjoy friendly conversation and learn to knit, crochet, and embroider in our needlework club — The Stitch-U-Ation.

Basic supplies provided, but you are welcome to bring your own projects. No experience necessary.

The club meets the 4th Friday of the month from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The next meeting will be Friday, October 26th.

For adults only.

Call (520) 723-6030 or email

library@coolidgeaz.com with questions.

Challenge the Knights of the Square Table

It is believed that there are over 600,000,000 amateur AND professional Chess players around the world.

So come to the Library the first Wednesday of every month for Knights of the Square Table. All ages and skill levels are welcome, Whether you want to sharpen your skills, build new skills or keep your reflexes and problem solving skills in tip top shape, come see what Knights of the Square Table is all about. All ages are welcome.

Contact us at (520)723-6030 for more information.

The next meeting is October 3rd at 4:00 p.m.

EVERY SECOND AND FOURTH TUESDAY
1:30 P.M. TO 3:00 P.M.

Coloring is not just for kids. It's fun and also helps you relieve stress and anxiety.

Adults are invited to join us on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month from 1:30 p.m. — 3:00 p.m.

We supply coloring sheets and colored pencils.

Feel free to bring your own, as well.

No need to register. Simply drop by, mingle, color, and enjoy a snack. Coloring will meet October 9th and 23rd.

Call (520) 723-6030 or email

library@coolidgeaz.com with questions.



EXPLORE BOOK CLUBS

COOKS + BOOKS

This month's theme is Asian Cuisine.

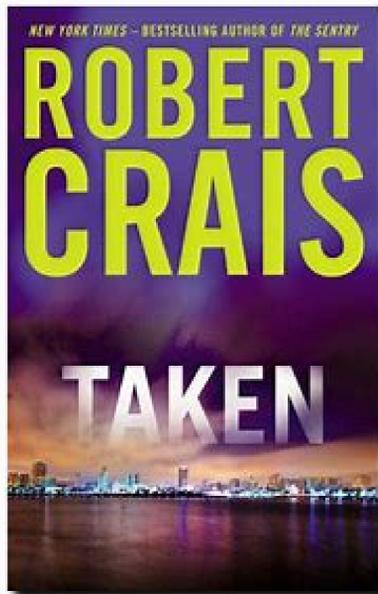
Cooks + Books meets regularly the third Monday of the month.

Do you like to browse cookbooks and try out new recipes? Or are you just learning how to cook? Then you will want to join our newest book club, Cooks + Books! In Cooks + Books members pick a recipe, tried and true or brand new, and bring a bit to share!

The next meeting is Monday, October 15th at 5:30 p.m.



The Pinal Page Turners



Our longest running club meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month. This month's book club title is "Taken" by Robert Crais: "The search for a missing girl leads private investigators Elvis Cole and Joe Pike into the nightmarish world of human trafficking" ~ audible.com.

Not sure you want to read this book? Feel free to stop by the meeting to pick up the next month's choice.

Tuesday, October 9th at 5:30 p.m.

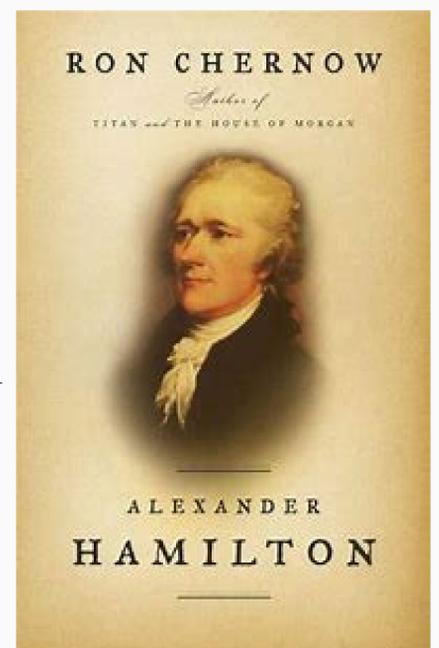
The Remix

Enjoy a new take on our classic Page Turners; The Remix. This club meets the 4th Thursday of every month.

The October book club title is "Alexander Hamilton" by Ron Chernow: "The inspiration for the hit Broadway musical Hamilton and the first full-length biography of Alexander Hamilton in decades, This National Book Award winner tells the riveting story of a man who overcame all odds to shape, inspire, and scandalize the newborn America."

~ Audible.com

The remix will meet October 25th at 2:00 p.m.



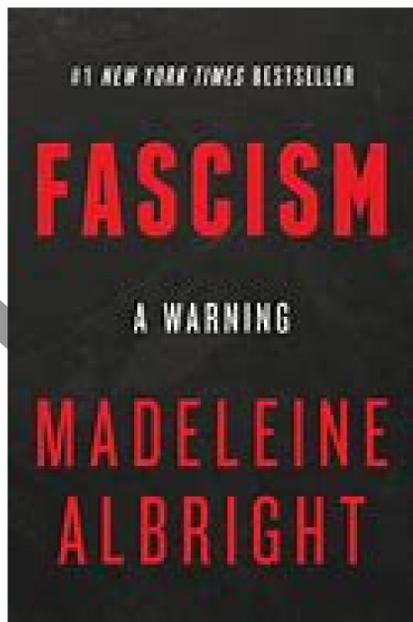
To sign out a book club selection, simply visit the library before the scheduled meeting date. You need to have a valid contact number prior to signing out a book and should have a library card.

Call (520) 723-6030 or email library@coolidgeaz.com with questions.

Snacks and drinks are provided!

WHAT'S NEW AT THE LIBRARY

Fascism: A Warning (available on CD audiobook) by Madeleine Korbel Albright

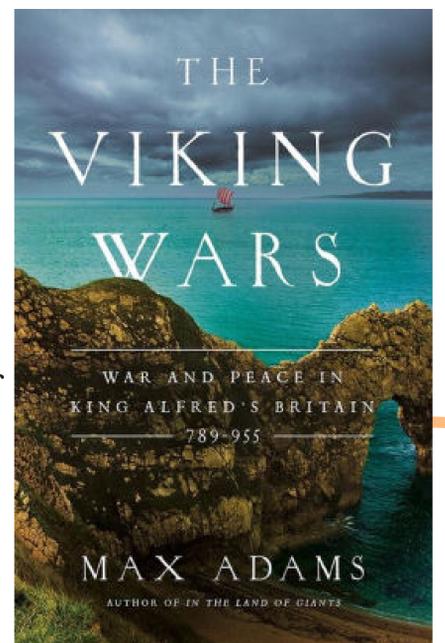


A Fascist, observes Madeleine Albright, "is someone who claims to speak for a whole nation or group, is utterly unconcerned with the rights of others, and is willing to use violence and whatever other means are necessary to achieve the goals he or she might have." The twentieth century was defined by the clash between democracy and Fascism, a struggle that created uncertainty about the survival of human freedom and left millions dead. Given the horrors of that experience, one might expect the world to reject the spiritual successors to Hitler and Mussolini should they arise in our era. In *Fascism: A Warning*, Madeleine Albright draws on her experiences as a child in war-torn Europe and her distinguished career as a diplomat to question that assumption. ~ Amazon.com

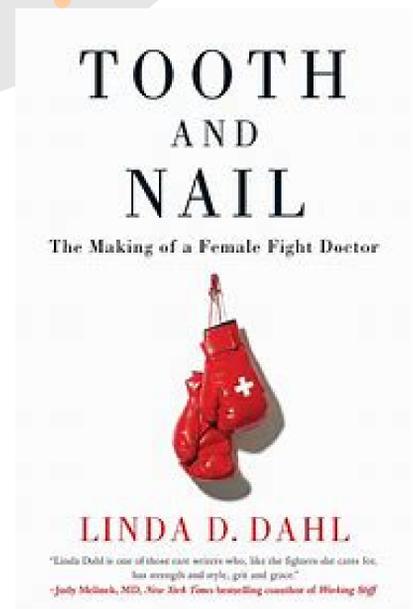
The Viking Wars: War and Peace in King Alfred's Britain: 789-955 by Max Adams

A history of Britain in the violent and unruly era between the first Scandinavian raids in 789 and the final expulsion of the Vikings from York in 954. In 865, a great Viking army landed in East Anglia, precipitating a series of wars that would last until the middle of the following century. It was in this time of crisis that the modern kingdoms of Britain were born. In their responses to the Viking threat, these kingdoms forged their identities as hybrid cultures: vibrant and entrepreneurial peoples adapting to instability and opportunity. Traditionally, Alfred the Great is cast as the central player in the story of Viking Age Britain. But Max Adams, while stressing the genius of Alfred as war leader, law-giver, and forger of the English nation, has a more nuanced narrative approach to this conventional version of history.

~barnesandnoble.com



Tooth and Nail: The Making of a Female Fight Doctor by Linda D. Dahl

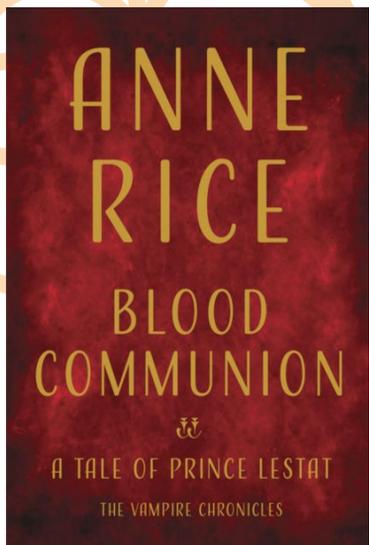


Fresh out of medical school, Linda Dahl began her surgical residency in the Bronx as a total fish out of water. Growing up in a Middle Eastern family in the American Midwest, she was a born outsider, and in her new community in New York, she felt even more isolated. Even at work she struggled to fit in: among her fellow specialists, she was one of the only women.

~Amazon.com

New This Month in Adult Fiction

Large Print: **Blood Communion: A TALE OF PRINCE LESTAT** by Anne Rice



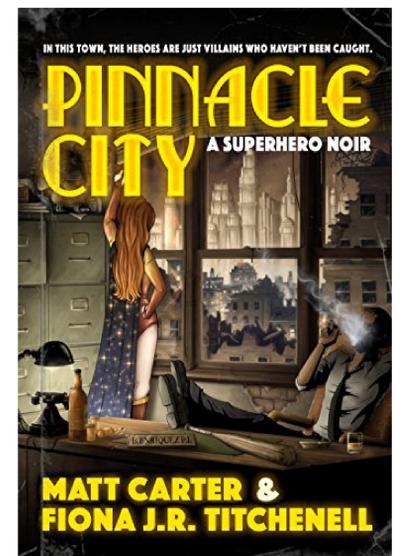
The Vampire Chronicles continue with a riveting, rich saga—part adventure, part suspense—of Prince Lestat and the story of the Blood Communion as he tells the tale of his coming to rule the vampire world and the eternal struggle to find belonging, a place in the universe for the undead, and how, against his will, he must battle the menacing, seemingly unstoppable force determined to thwart his vision and destroy the entire vampire netherworld

~Goodreads.com.

Pinnacle City: A Superhero Noir by Matt Carter and Fiona J. R. Titchenell

Pinnacle City is many things to many people. To some it is a glittering metropolis, a symbol of prosperity watched over by the all-star superhero team, the Pinnacle City Guardians. Beyond the glitz and glamour, there is another city, one still feeling the physical and economic damage of the superhero-villain battles of generations past. The lower class, immigrants, criminals, aliens, sorcerers, and non-humans alike call this city home, looking to make a living, which is becoming increasingly difficult as the two sides of the city seem prepared to boil over into a violent conflict.

~Amazon.com



Audio book on CD: **Next Year in Havana** by Chanek Cleeton



After the death of her beloved grandmother, a Cuban-American woman travels to Havana, where she discovers the roots of her identity--and unearths a family secret hidden since the revolution...Havana, 1958. The daughter of a sugar baron, nineteen-year-old Elisa Perez is part of Cuba's high society, where she is largely sheltered from the country's growing political unrest--until she embarks on a clandestine affair with a passionate revolutionary...Miami, 2017. Freelance writer Marisol Ferrera grew up hearing romantic stories of Cuba from her late grandmother Elisa, who was forced to flee with her family during the revolution.

~Amazon.com

Ocean's 8 — DVD Featuring: Sandra Bullock, Cate Blanchett, Anne Hathaway

Five years, eight months, 12 days and counting -- that's how long Debbie Ocean has been devising the biggest heist of her life. She knows what it's going to take -- a team of the best people in the field, starting with her partner-in-crime Lou Miller. Together, they recruit a crew of specialists, including jeweler Amita, street con Constance, suburban mom Tammy, hacker Nine Ball, and fashion designer Rose. Their target -- a necklace that's worth more

than \$150 million..

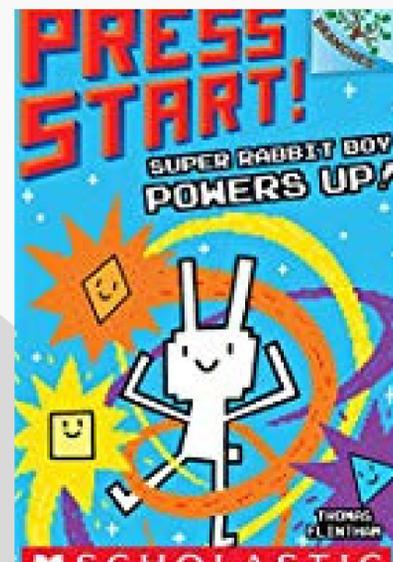
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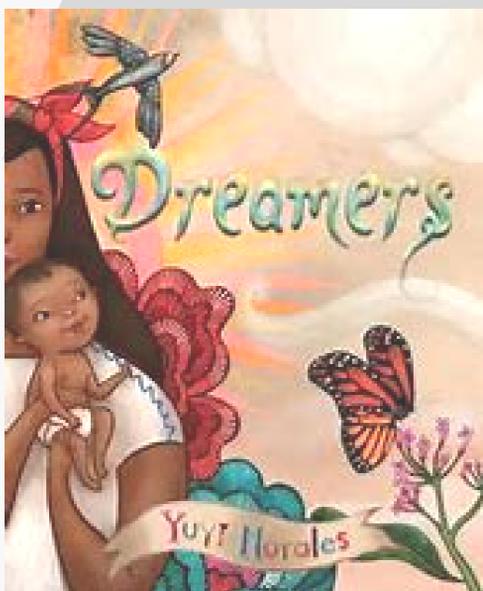
For the Young and the Young at Heart

Press Start: Super Rabbit Boy Series by Thomas Flintham

Pick a book. Grow a Reader! This series is part of Scholastic's early chapter book line, Branches, aimed at newly independent readers. With easy-to-read text, high-interest content, fast-paced plots, and illustrations on every page, these books will boost reading confidence and stamina. ~Amazon.com



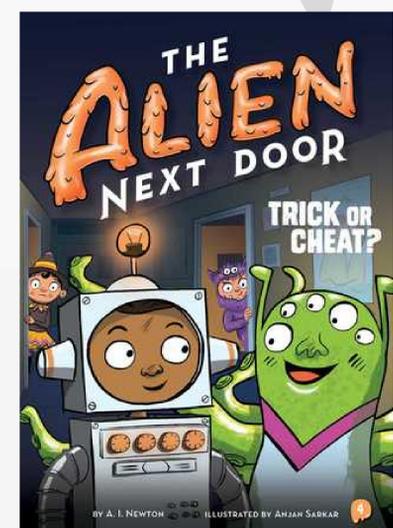
Dreamers by Yuyi Morales



In 1994, Yuyi Morales left her home in Xalapa, Mexico and came to the US with her infant son. She left behind nearly everything she owned, but she didn't come empty-handed. She brought her strength, her work, her passion, her hopes and dreams...and her stories. Caldecott Honor artist and five-time Pura Belpré winner Yuyi Morales's gorgeous new picture book Dreamers is about making a home in a new place. Yuyi and her son Kelly's passage was not easy, and Yuyi spoke no English whatsoever at the time. But together, they found an unexpected, unbelievable place: the public library. There, book by book, they untangled the language of this strange new land, and learned to make their home within it. ~Amazon.com

The Alien Next Door: Trick or Cheat? by Anjan Sarkar

In the fourth book of the Alien Next Door series, Halloween is just around the corner, and Harris is excited to share the holiday with Zeke, who doesn't even need a costume! Harris is ready for Halloween and is very excited when he sees Zeke's "costume," which is just his true alien form. Harris is sure Zeke will win the costume contest at school! Zeke also uses his powers to help Harris make the best costume he's ever had, but Roxy feels left out, as she and Harris usually make costumes together every year. On Halloween, one of the other kids at school is jealous of Zeke's amazing costume and plots to sabotage it. Will Harris and Roxy be able to stop him and help Zeke win the costume contest? ~Goodreads.com



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