The Penderwicks: A Summer Tale of Four Sisters, Two Rabbits, and a Very Interesting Boy by Jeanne Birdsall (J FIC BIRDSALL)
While vacationing with their widowed father in the Berkshire Mountains, four lovable sisters, ages four through twelve, share adventures with a local boy, much to the dismay of his snobbish mother.

Raymie Nightingale by Kate DiCamillo (J FIC DICAMILLO)
Raymie Clarke has come to realize that everything, absolutely everything, depends on her. And she has a plan. If Raymie can win the Little Miss Central Florida Tire competition, then her father, who left town two days ago with a dental hygienist, will see Raymie's picture in the paper and (maybe) come home.

Save Me a Seat by Sarah Weeks and Gita Varadarajan (J FIC WEEKS)
Ravi has just moved to the United States from India and has always been at the top of his class; Joe has lived in the same town his whole life and has learning problems—but when their lives intersect in the first week of fifth grade they are brought together by a common enemy (the biggest bully in their class) and the need to take control of their lives.

*Secret Coders by Gene Luen Yang (J GRAPHIC YANG)
Welcome to Stately Academy, a school which is just crawling with mysteries to be solved! The founder of the school left many clues and puzzles to challenge his enterprising students. Using their wits and their growing prowess with coding, Hopper and her friend Eni are going to solve the mystery of Stately Academy no matter what it takes.

*Sisters Grimm by Michael Buckley (J FIC BUCKLEY)
In Book One of the Sisters Grimm series, we meet two sisters, Sabrina and Daphne, who have been sent to live with their mysterious grandmother, Relda Grimm. From their first day in Ferryport Landing, the sisters begin to unravel a mystery that reveals a family secret. Sabrina and Daphne learn that they are descendants of the Brothers Grimm, whose famous book of fairy tales is actually a history book. Snow White, the Three Little Pigs, the Big Bad Wolf— they're all alive and now neighbors of Granny Relda in this community of Everafters, as magical folks like to be called.

*A Snicker of Magic by Natalie Lloyd (J FIC LLOYD)
The Pickles are new to Midnight Gulch, Tennessee, a town which legend says was once magic—but Felicity is convinced the magic is still there, and with the help of her new friend Jonah the Beedle she hopes to bring the magic back.

Some Writer!: The Story of E.B. White by Melissa Sweet (J BIOG WHITE)
With a particular focus on his idyllic childhood spent around lakes in Maine and his career as a writer and editor at the New Yorker, this book highlights White's affection for animals and the outdoors as well as his love of words, all of which directly influenced his writing for children. In particular, it zeroes in on the respite of his Maine farm, where he encountered the animals that would come to populate his most well-known work, Charlotte's Web.

The Way Things Work Now by David Macaulay (J 600 MAC)
Text and numerous detailed illustrations introduce and explain the scientific principles and workings of hundreds of machines.

The Wild Robot by Peter Brown (J FIC BROWN)
Roz the robot discovers that she is alone on a remote, wild island with no memory of where she is from or why she is there, and her only hope of survival is to try to learn about her new environment from the island's hostile inhabitants.

Wonderstruck by Brian Selznick (J FIC SELZNICK)
Having lost his mother and his hearing in a short time, twelve-year-old Ben leaves his Minnesota home in 1977 to seek the father he never knew in New York City, and there meets Rose, who is also longing for something missing from her life. Ben's story is told in words; Rose's in pictures.

*Asterisks denote one book of a series.

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