



# 2 QUOTES AND A LIE

## THE RULES:

1. Decide whether you will play individually or on teams (if you choose to play the team version, have each team pick a team captain), and choose a Game Master, who will read the quotes and keep track of the score.
2. Choose a category (or play the Deluxe Read Local Version by reading clues from all three categories).
3. Game Master will read the author's name, book title and blurb, and then read each of the three quotes, one at a time.
4. Players may ask for any or all of the quotes to be read again, if they are having trouble deciding which one is the lie.
5. Let everyone guess which quote is the lie. For individual play, have everyone write their guesses on a piece of paper. For team play, the team captain will give the answer for their team.
6. After everyone has made their guesses, reveal the correct (incorrect?) answer.
7. Score 1 point for every correct answer. In case of a tie, the person who had the most correct answers IN A ROW wins.

# Picture Book Challenge

## Ann McCallum

### *Eat Your Math Homework: Recipes for Hungry Minds*

Put on your thinking cap-- and apron. Here is a unique set of yummy recipes and fun math facts that will tempt your taste buds and make you hungry for more!

#### QUOTES:

1. Recipes are supposed to be consistent, right?
2. Please step forward, M.C. Escher.
3. I really wish every subject was just as delicious as math!

## Karen Leggett Abouraya

### *Hands Around the Library: Protecting Egypt's Treasured Books*

Hands Around the Library is the invigorating and heartwarming story of a powerful moment during the Arab Spring in Egypt 2011 - and a story about the immense importance of libraries. Kirkus' starred review noted, "Freedom and libraries: an essential combination ... Extensive and accessible backmatter... A stunning visual recreation of a recent historical event."

#### QUOTES:

1. There is nothing that prevents anybody from destroying this building with all its treasures, except the will of the people.
2. The library was burning when protesters ran inside to save as many books as their arms could carry.
3. We were free inside the library even when we were not free outside.

## Courtney Pippin-Mathur

### *Dragons Rule, Princesses Drool*

Dragon has just met the two most dangerous creatures to have ever entered his kingdom—princesses!—in this charming picture book about an unexpected friendship.

#### QUOTES:

1. The Dragon did not like them. They were too pink, too nice and had too many ruffles.
2. Ruffles would be banished forever!
3. His land was dark, rocky and magnificent.

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# Ann Marie Pace

## *Vampirina Ballerina*

Having learned from experience, Vampirina gives advice to young dancers.

### QUOTES:

1. Just follow Madame's instructions, and by the end of class, your pirouettes will be practically perfect.
2. Even without wings you can leap higher than you think.
3. Eat lots of candy before your performance to give you energy.

# John Micklos Jr.

## *One Leaf, Two Leaves, Count with Me!*

This playful counting book shares the colorful highlights of the four seasons in bouncy rhymes and charming illustrations as little ones learn to count the leaves growing on a beautiful tree in the spring and falling off during autumn. There's a world of activity to spy in and around the tree as the wild creatures, and one little boy, celebrate the cycles of nature. The rhythmic text and bold illustrations make learning to count easy, with corresponding numerals reinforcing the learning fun.

### QUOTES:

1. Leaves dance gaily, swing and sway. Breezy, blue-sky summer day.
2. Rake leaves, take leaves, pile them high. Dash in. Crash in. Watch them fly!
3. In the autumn, leaves fall down, crinkled, crumpled on the ground.

# Sylvia Liu

## *A Morning with Grandpa*

Mei Mei and her grandpa (Gong Gong) spend the morning in the garden. Mei Mei is a bit too hyper for Gong Gong's tai chi moves, and he is a bit too inflexible for her yoga positions. Can they keep up with each other?

### QUOTES:

1. Mei Mei twirled like a helicopter seed flying down from a maple tree.
2. Mei Mei swooped like a kite dancing on its strings.
3. Mei Mei stepped back like a young frog trying out new legs.

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# Laura Gehl

## *Peep and Egg: I'm Not Taking a Bath*

Peep thinks Egg needs to take a bath after playing in the mud. But Egg is NOT taking a bath. Not in the river, not in the duck pond, and definitely not in the dog's water bowl—too slobbery! Does Peep have any tricks up her feathers to help change Egg's mind?

### QUOTES:

1. "Too splashy!" said Egg. "I'm not taking a bath."
2. "Too drippy!" said Egg. "I'm not taking a bath."
3. "Too wet!" said Egg. "I'm not taking a bath."

# Sarah Sullivan

## *Passing the Music Down*

A warmhearted ode to an American musical tradition and to generational ties, told in lyrical free verse with atmospheric illustrations. A young boy travels to the hills of Appalachia to meet the old-time fiddle player whose music he has admired, and so sparks a friendship that will forge a bond between generations. This touching, lyrical story, inspired by the lives of renowned fiddlers Melvin Wine and Jake Krack, includes an author's note and suggested resources for learning about the musicians and the music they love.

### QUOTES:

1. The old man got his wish to touch the 'way out yonder.' But, he wasn't finished yet. He had to pass the music on.
2. Snow settles deep against the fence, and the boy settles deep inside the music.
3. Like a katydid in spring, the boys heart dances.

# Maria Gianferrari

## *Coyote Moon*

A howl in the night. A watchful eye in the darkness. A flutter of movement among the trees. Coyotes. In the dark of the night, a mother coyote stalks prey to feed her hungry pups. POUNCE! Perhaps Coyote's family won't go hungry today.

### QUOTES:

1. Coyote threads through rusty reeds. At the fringe where earth and water meet, she wades, and waits.
2. Coyote howls at the moon.
3. Coyote sniffs. She creeps through tangled brush, tracking the scent of golf-course Geese.

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# Pamela Ehrenberg

## *Queen of the Hanukkah Dosas*

A multi-cultural family (Mom's Indian; Dad's Jewish) incorporates traditional Indian food into their Hanukkah celebration: instead of latkes, this family celebrates Hanukkah with tasty Indian dosas. To her brother's chagrin, little Sadie won't stop climbing on everything both at home and at the Indian grocery store, even while preparing the dosas. As the family puts the finishing touches on their holiday preparations, they accidentally get locked out of the house. Sadie and her climbing skills just may be exactly what is needed to save the day.

### QUOTES:

1. Up, up!
2. I had a little dosa; I made it out of dal.
3. Sadie insisted on wearing her stuffed menorah costume while we wrapped Hanukkah gifts and strung paper dreidels in the windows.

# Lezlie Evans

## *Finding Christmas*

Hare, Mouse, and Squirrel are busy trimming the tree and decorating their little burrow on Christmas Eve. There's just one last thing to do -- Mouse must find a gift for Hare! What Mouse finds buried in the snow helps the three friends to understand the holiday in a new way. A sweet story about friendship and how giving to others is a gift all unto itself.

### QUOTES:

1. "Could you tone it down a bit?" ask Squirrel. Hare had been signing at the top of his lungs all morning. "But music's my favorite part of Christmas," said Hare.
2. When the first colors of Christmas crept across the hilltop, Mouse looked under the tree. "I'm sorry we don't have any presents to open."
3. "You did it, Mouse," exclaimed Squirrel. "You found the perfect gift for Hare!" "What do you mean?" asked Mouse in surprise.

# Megan Wagner Lloyd

## *Fort-Building Time*

Grab your blankets and pillows! From the creators of *Finding Wild*, a new picture book that follows the changing of the seasons and is as cozy as a fort.

### QUOTES:

1. Summer is dog-feeding, sunglasses-wearing, sprinkler-running, fort-building time.
2. Spring is a daffodil-hunting, umbrella-holding, rain-watching, mud-squishing time.
3. So let's make today a box-taping, clothespin-clipping--OH NO! Everything slipping...

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# Veronica Bartles

## *The Princess and the Frogs*

Princess Cassandra desperately wants a pet frog. Unfortunately, she loves them so much that she can't help kissing them goodnight. Before long, poor Princess Cassandra has a castle full of princes...but princes aren't pets!

### QUOTES:

1. "Frogs are disgusting," said the princess. "I don't want one in my castle!"
2. The kitten refused to swim. The hippo wouldn't jump. And none of the animals were green.
3. "Good night, Froggy." She kissed his shiny green head.

# Chiêu Anh Urban

## *Quiet as a Mouse: And Other Animal Idioms*

This entertaining die-cut board book, featuring colorful, adorable art, introduces children to some fun animal idioms. Like a guessing game, each image shows just a part of the creature, with an accompanying rhyme that hints at its identity. Kids turn the page . . . and see which friendly animal fits the bill.

### QUOTES:

1. Small and squeaky, fast and sneaky...
2. Eyes glow brightly, wings flap nightly...
3. Cold and splishy, not a fishie...

# Claudia Friddell

## *Goliath, Hero of the Great Baltimore Fire*

In 1904 hundreds of firemen, policemen, soldiers, and citizens battled the Great Baltimore Fire for three days. Goliath, a heroic fire horse assigned to Engine Company 15, is massive in size and mighty in heart and steadfastness. When the fire alarm sounds, Goliath races his team to the blaze where his lifesaving actions will lead him into the pages of history.

### QUOTES:

1. You saved us champ. If I hadn't been here myself, I never would have believed it.
2. What's got a beast like you riled this morning'?
3. The dalmatian led the way to the fire!

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# Amy S Hansen

## *Fire Bird*

Chip-Chip-Che-Way-O! This is the song of the endangered Kirtland's Warbler. The birds live in the jack pine forests of Michigan, Wisconsin, and Ontario, Canada. Every fall, they fly 1,500 miles to the Bahamas. Every spring, they come back. Their forests need fire to renew so they can nest. How can they survive? (non-fiction picture book)

### QUOTES:

1. chip-chip-che-way-o The song goes up at the end, almost like a question.
2. chip-chip-che-way-o He sings just as his father taught him.
3. chip-chip-che-way-o The birds sing in harmony.

# Jean Heilprin Diehl (J.H. Diehl)

## *Loon Chase*

When a boy and his mother take their dog Miles on a peaceful canoe ride, they find themselves frantically racing to save a mother loon and her family. Join them and watch the surprising outcome of Miles' encounter with the loons. Then witness the boy's moment of wonder when he meets the loon.

### QUOTES:

1. It looked like a black bowling pin with a spear-shaped tip as it flew - out of the wild and back into the night.
2. If only the water hadn't felt as thick as vanilla icing, I could have paddled harder and saved them.
3. "Fly! Why don't you fly?" I shouted. "Fly, fly, fly!"

# Lois Szymanski

## *Wild Colt*

See, hear, smell and learn about all that a wild Chincoteague Pony foal experiences growing up in a wetlands environment on Assateague Island. Then, search and find some of the wildlife critters who share his unique habitat.

### QUOTES:

1. Ocean Salty - Foals race surf - Sandy beaches - Bucking Turf. Thunder booms! Lightning flash! Sky grows dark - Sea waves crash
2. Stringy cordgrass - Salty sweet - Green snake skittles - past our feet
3. White moon rising - Raccoon night - Dark and snarling - Foxes fight. Eyes wide open - Colt huddles close - Shivering, touching - Mama's nose

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# Sue Fliess

## *RACE!*

All the cars are lining up for the race, but one car is smaller than the rest. As it squeezes in between all of them, the cars rev their engines . . . and they're off! Down mountains and by waterfalls, through tunnels and past landslides, the cars race through places that somehow look oddly familiar. . . .

## QUOTES:

1. Zoom! Boom! Crash! Bash! Cars all vanish in a flash!
2. Blast! Bank! Twist! Turn! Down the mountain, tires burn!
3. Cars start, lights glow...."Rev your engines...Go Go Go!"

# Timothy Young

## *I'm Going to Outer Space!*

It's almost time for bed, but Luis is staring out the window at the starry sky. Any minute now, he's expecting a space ship to pick him up and whisk him to outer space. While he waits, he imagines the strange creatures he'll encounter. Will he find a robot friend? Will he get to fly through space with a rocket-pack? Will he meet . . . aliens? Get lost in outer space as you pore over pages filled with dozens and dozens of robots and aliens (some new and some that might be familiar).

## QUOTES:

1. I don't know which spaceship is picking me up. There are so many different kinds!
2. I wonder if I'll run into any aliens?
3. Run away, the robots are coming!

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# Middle Grade Challenge

## Elissa Brent Weissman

### *Our Story Begins: Your Favorite Authors and Illustrators Share Fun, Inspiring, and Occasionally Ridiculous Things They Wrote and Drew as Kids*

From award-winning author Elissa Brent Weissman comes a collection of quirky, smart, and vulnerable childhood works by 26 of today's foremost children's authors and illustrators—revealing young talent, the storytellers they would one day become, and the creativity they inspire today. Contributors include Kwame Alexander, R. J. Palacio, Linda Sue Park, and Chris Grabenstein.

#### QUOTES:

1. SLAM!!!!!! twenty-five faces turned to the doorway. That was fifty eyes, fifty ears, and over a million gazillion strands of hair staring at.....Kate.
2. Writing tip #4: Copy and imitate the artists and authors you admire.
3. Still astonished, Oscar Shmultz reaches for his only cereal. His favorite - Cap'n Crunch; but oh, horrors; it isn't there!

## Sara Lewis Holmes

### *The Wolf Hour*

A girl. A wolf. A red cape. And. . .pigs? In the vein of A Tale Dark and Grimm, this gorgeously written, endlessly surprising retelling explores the stories and wildness that define us.

#### QUOTES:

1. Red is definitely your color.
2. "I'm sorry," she whispered, not kindly. "But this is the end."
3. Pigs are fast.

## Leah Henderson

### *One Shadow on the Wall*

In contemporary Senegal, newly orphaned Mor Fall must decide between doing what is right and what is easy to keep a promise he made to his dying father. Laced with magical realism, *One Shadow on the Wall* is a story about love and loss, family and friendship, and creating your own future—even if it's hard to do.

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## QUOTES:

1. Their bows were bird beaks pointed to the coming sun and their flags ruffled like feathers whipping in the wind.
2. You are not a fish flapping in the sun, sucking air, hoping to be thrown back to sea.
3. The sun was unforgiving in its glare, even chasing his shadow away.

## CAP Saucier

### *Explore the Cosmos Like Neil deGrasse Tyson: A Space Science Journey*

Catch the thrill of the cosmos and space science through the life of Neil deGrasse Tyson—the popular astrophysicist, science communicator, and host of FOX-TV’s *Cosmos: A Spacetime Odyssey*. In language neither too simple nor overly technical, author CAP Saucier interweaves up-to-date information about the universe and the science of astrophysics with a biographical portrait of the famous astrophysicist. Quotes from Tyson appear throughout each chapter, personalizing the science.

## QUOTES:

1. Neil deGrasse Tyson always wanted to be an astronaut as he was growing up.
2. Today's students are the next generation of astronauts, engineers, space scientists, and space tourists.
3. Space belongs to everyone.

## Sarah Sullivan

### *All That’s Missing*

Armed with only a name and a town, a boy goes in search of a lost relative. Unfailingly honest and infused with a dash of magical realism, as well as a crime caper, Sarah Sullivan’s evocative debut novel delves into a family mystery and unearths universal truths about home, trust, friendship, and family.

## QUOTES:

1. The thing about families, Arlo thought, was that there was always some question nobody wanted to answer for you, and it was like a stray thread pulling loose in a sweater. You could tug at it all you wanted, but in the end, all you'd have was a pile of twisted yarn.
2. "Angels and spirits," Poppo said, lifting his head to catch Arlo's eyes. "Help comes from the other side."  
"You mean, like ghosts?" Arlo asked.  
"Same thing," Poppo said. "They'll help you find your way."
3. The shape in the attic window fluttered past. Arlo rubbed his eyes. Seeing things, he thought, until the wood carving in his pocket began thrumming again.

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# Shelley Sackier

## *Dear Opl*

Armed with only a name and a town, a boy goes in search of a lost relative. Unfailingly honest and infused with a dash of magical realism, as well as a crime caper, Sarah Sullivan's evocative debut novel delves into a family mystery and unearths universal truths about home, trust, friendship, and family.

There are three things Opl never expected to do during the eighth grade.

1. Start a vendetta against celebrity chef Alfie Adam, the "Nude Food Dude"
2. Take yoga classes with her grandpa
3. Become a famous blogger

But after a year of shrinking down her personality to compensate for the fact that her body's getting bigger, Opl thinks it's about time to start speaking up again. What she doesn't expect is that everyone actually starts to listen...

## QUOTES:

1. Gelatin, used in JELL-O, is made from cattle hides and pork skins.
2. I found all napkins pointless since I had a sleeve.
3. "Take a page from Ollie's book. He doesn't give a rip what people think."

# Pamela Ehrenberg

## *Ethan, Suspended*

After getting suspended from school, Ethan Oppenheimer is uprooted from his comfortable suburban life in Pennsylvania and sent to live in Washington, D.C., with grandparents he hardly knows. At Parker Junior High, he stands out as the only white student. Along the way he learns a lot about prejudice and acceptance — and about himself and his changing family situation.

## QUOTES:

1. With my old-people lunches in wrinkled plastic bags, I was basically a freak of nature at Parker Junior High.
2. It was my first time sitting on a dead person's bed.
3. I tried not to think about what kids at my old school would say if they knew I was taking remedial tuba.

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# Jen Swann Downey

## *The Ninja Librarians: Sword in the Stacks*

To keep reading and writing from being stolen by the tyrannical time-traveling Foundation, Lybrariad apprentices Dorrie, Marcus and Ebba will have to burglarize Aristotle, gather information among the suffragists and anti-suffragists of 1912 London, and risk their lives to wrest a powerful weapon out of the Foundation's hands – all while upholding the Lybrariad's first principle: Protecting all writing, whether appreciated or despised. If they fail, the written word will only be the first thing to disappear from their world.

### QUOTES:

1. Marcus took another bite of the baklava, showering the newspapers spread all over the table with flakes of pastry. "I'm exploring a life of non-attachment." Dorris snorted. "You look pretty attached to that baklava."  
"Please. Me and my shredded heart have turned our backs on the world."  
"I," said a hulking lybrarian in a feathery headdress who was sitting nearby, reading a mud tablet. "I and my shredded heart."  
Marcus shot the lybrarian a dirty look,. "MARCUS and his shredded heart are going to spend all our time here from now on. Drink coffee, breathe, maybe write a short poem or two."  
He looked further out to sea than Dorris thought possible.  
"What is a wave?" Marcus said hoarsely.  
"I hope that's not your first poem."
2. "Why would you even THINK of touching something with that many teeth?" roared Dorris, as she clung to the rock wall.  
"It had soft parts, too" protested Ebba, the words riding a jagged breath of exertion. Dorris didn't dare look down to where the aroused tiger now leaped heavily back and forth in the shifting scree. Trying not to give gravity too much more of her body to tug on she tilted her head back slightly. It was a nearly vertical cliff. The frayed end of Mr. Biggs' rope swayed gently in the hot damp wind just a few feet below its lip, and a few feet above her right hand. A snarl from the tiger ripped through the air. Even if Mr. Biggs was relaxing in a lawn chair just out of sight, roasting a marshmallow, there was nowhere to go but up.
3. Dorris looked anxiously from her mother to her father, even as they were exchanging the same kind of look with one another. "Please," she whispered. Finally, Dorris's mother squeezed her husband's hand and then turned back. "You can give this a try for one of these...quarters. And then we'll see."  
"A try," Dorris's father repeated firmly.  
"And getting maimed or killed will simply not be tolerated," added Dorris's mother, tears in the corners of her eyes. "That happens once, and we're done."  
"Well, of course we'd be done," Marcus said. "We'd be dead."  
Dorris kicked him hard under the kitchen table as an abounding joy nearly lifted her out of her chair.

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# Laura Shovan

## *The Last Fifth Grade of Emerson Elementary*

Laura Shovan’s engaging, big-hearted debut is a time capsule of one class’s poems during a transformative school year. Families change and new friendships form as these terrific kids grow up and move on in this award-winning novel-in-verse about finding your voice and making sure others hear it.

### QUOTES:

1. I am your poet. I will fill you with words. I don’t mind writing a poem for our teacher, some rhymes Ms. Hill will feature in our fifth-grade book.
2. Giant green slugs crawl across our teacher's grade book. Prankster strikes again!
3. Thou deboshed fish!

# Erin Teagan

## *The Friendship Experiment*

Madeline Little is Harriet the Spy with a lab notebook in this debut novel full of heart, humor, and a dash of science.

### QUOTES:

1. Madeline Little marched across the soccer field. She was very good at sports.
2. Maybe sitting with your mom and little sister on camping chairs from the sixties with an inappropriate painting propped up behind you isn't the best situation.
3. I close my eyes and write another SOP in my head: How to Fake Sleep to Get Out of a Discussion with your Mother About Your Social Life.

# Claudia Friddell

## *George Washington’s Spies*

During the Revolutionary War, General George Washington (AKA “Agent 711”) was the leader of a ring of spies called the Culper Ring. Those sneaky heroes risked their lives using secret names, codes, invisible ink, and more to spy on the British and pass along information to help win the American Revolution! This Totally True Adventures series book, ideal for supporting the Common Core State Standards is a thrilling read—made even better because it really happened!

### QUOTES:

1. Anna Smith Strong was known as Nancy by the Setauket spies she had known all her life.
2. There would be no parades, no memorials, and no holidays in honor of these American heroes.
3. As it turned out, Hale's closest college friend was just the man for the job

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# Deborah Kalb

## *George Washington and the Magic Hat*

Adventure, history, and the drama of school life intertwine in this engrossing tale of a fifth-grade boy struggling to find his place after his best friend abandons him. Find out what happens when Sam's class takes a trip to Mount Vernon, where he accidentally buys a bossy three-cornered hat that sweeps him off to the eighteenth century and a warm friendship with George and Martha Washington. As Sam travels back and forth between his present-day life and incredible adventures with George Washington, he learns about history, himself, and the nature of friendship and families.

### QUOTES:

1. But once again, his hand found its way toward the hat, toward that particular old, tattered-looking hat.
2. It wasn't enough that the hat had become exhausted, but now it was refusing to help Sam with anything much at all.
3. Somehow, in all the tumult, as a shivering, blubbering Oliver was pulled back into the boat, Sam's hat fell off.

# Ginjer L Clarke

## *What's Up in the Gobi Desert*

With an extreme climate and drastic weather changes, the Gobi Desert can be harsh. Not many people live there, but there are plenty of animals. Now you can explore the expanse of the desert with photographs, cool facts, and a foldout map to guide your adventure!

### QUOTES:

1. Paleontologist Roy Chapman Andrews was the inspiration for the archaeologist Indiana Jones in the adventure movie series.
2. When the camel goes to the bathroom, its urine, or pee, dribbles down the backs of its legs.
3. The Mongolian death worm has been proven to live in the sand of the Gobi desert wherever the goyo plant grows.

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# Barbara Carney-Coston

## *To the Copper County*

Set in 1886, *To the Copper Country* is the story of eleven-year-old Mihaela's journey from a poor farm in Croatia to the Copper Country of Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Her father has been working in the copper mines there to send home much needed money and he has contracted an eye disease the local doctors can't cure. After Mihaela loses the herbs meant to cure her father, she learns her journey won't be temporary, and she must face the hard adjustment of separation from a place she loved to a new land with unfamiliar challenges.

### QUOTES:

1. Don't chase that bear!
2. I have the family's loudest stomach. The water tastes wonderful, it's just sloshing around in my empty belly.
3. He said most of the berries are gone by now--either picked by humans or eaten by bears.

# Amie Rose Rotruck (aka R. D. Henham)

## *Bronze Dragon Codex*

Witness to the kidnapping of her younger siblings' eggs, young bronze dragon Simle has good reason to think that all humans are evil. Tatelyn, whose brother was killed by a dragon who was supposed to be good, also has good reason to distrust even metallic dragons. But when thrown together on a mission to recover their magical powers, Tatelyn and Simle realize that they have more in common than they ever imagined.

### QUOTES:

1. The girl wasn't too heavy, but she was bulky and certainly not cooperating.
2. "I am honored to count a dragon as a friend."
3. "It's amazing what one can do when something is beating you about the head."

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# YOUNG ADULT CHALLENGE

## Sharon Huss Roat

### *How to Disappear*

When Vicky Decker's social anxiety becomes unbearable, she invents an adventurous alter ego by Photoshopping herself into other people's pictures under the screen name Vicurious. Instantly, she begins to get followers, and soon, Vicky has made a whole new life for herself without ever leaving her bedroom. But the more followers she amasses online, the clearer it becomes that there are a lot of people out there who feel like her—#alone and #ignored in real life.

### QUOTES:

1. I lean into him, and he leans into me, and it's okay that we aren't very good at using our words.
2. They can't hurt me if I'm not real. Can they?
3. If I'm going to live vicariously, I'm going to do it right. Ryan Reynolds for my prom date? Fine. But he's going shirtless.

## Linda Budzinski

### *Em & Em*

Ember O'Malley has been relocated from the Jersey Shore to a small town in the Midwest through Witness Protection. She has a new name, a new look, and a brand-sparkling new reputation ... and she's falling for a boy who loves her for who he thinks she is. Em is living a lie, and it's only a matter of time before her secrets catch up with her; will she let the mistakes of her past define and destroy her, or can she reinvent herself from the outside in?

### QUOTES:

1. Emily opened her cookie and tugged at the fortune inside. Her stomach rolled as she read it. "Be the change you seek."
2. Ember buried her face in Ginger's mane. "You don't care whether I'm Ember or Emily or the Queen of Sheba. I like that about you."
3. Ember snorted. "Right. I don't care if people make fun of me ... said no one, ever. At least, not honestly."

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# Christina June

## *It Started With Goodbye*

Inspired by Cinderella, 16yo Tatum finds herself on house arrest for the summer when she was in the wrong place at the wrong time. To make it more bearable, she starts her own graphic design business, which leads to some unexpected clients, including a flirty cellist and someone close to her with a big secret.

### QUOTES:

1. I shut the door behind her, lay on my bed, and squeezed my eyes shut. Forget surviving exams, I just wanted to go home. But what did that even mean now? No one would be there anyway.
2. If I was being honest with myself, he looked at me like I was actually there, which for me was a nice change of pace from feeling like persona non grata lately. It was also nice to have an intelligent conversation, or actually any conversation, that didn't involve me being scolded or made to feel like the planet's biggest human disappointment.
3. Belén thought TV was a waste of time if it wasn't the news, so we had a very basic package. Her TV watching came in two speeds; she was either silent and focused, concentrating so much it made my eyes hurt, or very loud, encouraging the presenters to get a new job. In fact, that was pretty much the way she approached everything in life. Me included.

# Meg Eden

## *Post-High School Reality*

When Buffy first hears a voice called “the text parser,” she thinks it’s her nerdy brain’s way of coping with college stress. When the voice begins to tell her how to live her life, Buffy finds herself stuck in the middle of a never-ending video game built off her greatest nightmares.

### QUOTES:

1. The narwhal is always pictured alone, swimming in deep benthic waters. You can relate to him, in a way.
2. Thank you for playing POST-HIGH SCHOOL REALITY QUEST! Would you like to load a saved game?
3. I'm sorry, I don't understand: "Climb onto the roof of the school and have a party." That's not in line with your personality to take such an action.

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# Kristen-Paige Madonia

## *Invisible Fault Lines*

Tired of living in limbo, Callie decides to investigate her father's disappearance. Maybe there was an accident at the construction site that he oversaw? Maybe he doesn't remember who he is and is lost wandering somewhere? But after seeing a familiar face in a photo from the Great San Francisco Earthquake of 1906, she wonders if the answer is something else entirely.

### QUOTES:

1. And there he was again, as if he'd never left us behind.
2. When you're a musician, you don't listen to the music with your ears, you sense it all over. It's touch -- it's not really sound at all
3. It's a treacherous and wondrous thing to be needed, to be loved by and linked to another person's happiness so severely.

# Valerie O Patterson

## *Operation Oleander*

Jess and her middle school friends establish Operation Oleander to collect supplies for an orphanage in Afghanistan where two of their parents are deployed, but hone disaster strikes, Jess must find way to go on.

### QUOTES:

1. The air smells of summer grass, just mown.
2. Because I said so.
3. I will call them all by name.

# Pintip Dunn

## *Forget Tomorrow*

In a world where memories can be sent back in time, seventeen-year-old Callie Stone has been eagerly awaiting her vision. She thinks it will answer all of her questions. Instead, it shows her the unthinkable: her not-so-distant future self killing her little sister.

### QUOTES:

1. They tell me I won't feel so alone then. I'll know, without a shred of doubt, that somewhere in another spacetime exists a future version of me, one who turns out all right. I'll know who I'm supposed to be. And I'll never feel lost again.
2. Maybe when we built a world based on images of the future, we bargained away our dreams. We traded in the passion of our souls, and all we got in return was security. Goals already achieved. A life already lived. And in my case and Zed's and Angela's, a nightmare come to life.
3. His eyes glitter with the challenge. With one last look at the platform's edge, he crawls to me, slowly but steadily. "The path of our particular world might depend on this kiss. Would you risk our future just to be stubborn?"

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# Anne (A.B.) Westrick

## *Brotherhood*

Brotherhood is the story of a fourteen year-old white boy who befriends a young black teacher shortly after joining the newly formed Ku Klux Klan, then comes to question the racial prejudices he has been taught. In this unflinching view of the bitter animosity that stemmed from economic and social upheaval in the South during the period of Reconstruction, it's clear that the Civil War has ended, but the conflict isn't over.

### QUOTES:

1. ...he lingered a moment longer, watching her lean into the Broad Street hill, watching her flowered skirts swish-swish back and forth...
2. It wasn't right that she could read better than he could. Wasn't right that she could read at all.
3. She thought the same way he did about them Yankees. It would be best if they would just leave town -- just up and go and get out, the sooner, the better.

# Shelley Sackier

## *The Freemason's Daughter*

Jenna MacDuff is tired of being thrown out of back windows to escape English dragoons eager to fasten a noose around her Scottish neck. More than that, she's weary of hiding the fact that she's smart, a dangerous thing for any female in 1714 England. But she's done both these things all her sixteen years, while her clan risks their lives traveling the countryside, quietly drumming up support and arms for the exiled king James Stuart's secret plan to retake the British throne.

### QUOTES:

1. "Hand me that sack of onions," Angus said.  
Jenna jumped and dropped her trowel.  
Angus frowned. "Ye've been as twittery as a rabbit today. You're sure to pass your nerves on to me wee seeds."
2. "Lucky?" Jenna mumbled. "Lucky would have been to die in Scotland."
3. "Suppress you?" He chuckled and kissed the top of her head above the bandage. "I pity the man who tries."

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# Vonnie Winslow Crist

## *The Enchanted Dagger - Book I of the Chronicles of Lifthrasir*

In "The Enchanted Dagger" (Compton Crook Award Finalist, Maryland Writers Association Book Award Winner), Beck of Queen's Weather keeps his promise to his grandmother, and journeys across a world steeped in magic. While traveling the roads and waterways of Dobran and beyond, he discovers a family heirloom and joins forces with warriors, thieves, changelings, ravens, a giant, and a dragon. He and his companions battle ogrehunches, goblins, Skullsouls and other loathsome creatures as they become entangled in the developing confrontation between good and evil.

### QUOTES:

1. The traveling party could hear chirps and cheeps overhead coming from both owl and dragonet.
2. When their swords sliced into the goblins, instead of the thunk of blade against wood, there was a sloshing sound and greenish sap oozed out of the creatures.
3. Only a mage of great power could have created a dagger capable of such magic.

# Kathy MacMillan

## *Sword and Verse*

An epic YA fantasy set in a land where reading and writing is the gift of the gods and is reserved for the nobility only. The main character is Raisa, who was enslaved at age six, but gets a chance to learn the language of the gods when she becomes a royal Tutor. And she soon finds herself torn between an illicit romance with the prince and the demands of the Resistance movement who want her to use her position to help her people.

### QUOTES:

1. And somehow, as the feelings transformed themselves into the geometry of symbols and lines, I felt less alone.
2. Give me enough ink, and I could drown the city.
3. I dropped to my knees and smoothed the fragile paper in my lap, intending to look at it one last time.

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# Veronica Bartles

## *Twelve Steps*

When her crush asks her to fix him up with her perfect older sister, sixteen-year-old Andi decides it's time to step out of the shadows. She creates a twelve-step program for second-class siblings to help her steal the spotlight, and the guy, from her sister, Laina. But the prince may not be as charming as he seems, her sister might not be quite so perfect, and maybe the spotlight is big enough to share.

### QUOTES:

1. So, yeah, I admit it. My life completely sucks. All because of my super-brilliant, gorgeous, God's-gift-to-the-entire-universe, perfect older sister, Alaina.
2. We don't exactly run in the same social circles. He hangs out with the drama club and the athletes, and I... Actually, I don't really run in any social circles.
3. I can't help hearing FDR's voice echoing in my head. Last night was truly "a date which will live in infamy." I glance across the room at Dave and wonder what I'll have to do to make sure he tells the same version of the story.

# Leigh Goff

## *Bewitching Hannah*

Sixteen-year-old Hannah Fitzgerald has always known she is descended from a troubled legacy of dark magic. When an ancient prophecy reveals the rise of a young, powerful Chesapeake witch and the impending death of another, Hannah realizes she can no longer afford to suppress the magic that has taken away so much. She seeks out the frighteningly scarred, yet mysterious W who is destined to change her life, but even he cannot prepare her for the danger that lies ahead.

### QUOTES:

1. Where was Hermione Granger when I needed her?
2. Normal? You don't get to pretend to be normal when you're not. It doesn't work like that. Not in Annapolis. Someone always knows. Someone always unravels your secrets.
3. With my family, everything always appeared normal on the surface just like me; however, underneath the façade dark secrets lurked threatening to destroy any chance of ordinary.

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# Penelope Aaron

## *Inspired*

Life for teenage triplet, Cheyenne will never be the same. Not only does she have to learn to live with the newfound intrusive ability to see the memories of others, but someone is sending harassing messages and watching her. Will she learn how to use her gift in time to prevent the stalker from carrying out the deadly threats?

### QUOTES:

1. "He's not hot- he's an ugly, dirty, skeezy, back-stabbin' scrub!"
2. "You should stay home...and NEVER wear that hideous shirt again!"
3. "Whoa...she baked you bro- you crispy!"

# Susan Moger

## *Of Better Blood*

In the US of 1922, people judged to be "unfit" are labeled and singled out for sterilization. At an idyllic summer camp for "unfit" orphans, Rowan Collier, a polio survivor, discovers a terrifying experiment is underway. Will she survive long enough to stop it?

### QUOTES:

1. "Sadly, a cripple like you can't be hero."
2. In a voice thin and sharp as a needle he says, "Blue kills."
3. "Polio weakened your leg, Rowan, not you!"

# Michelle Ray

## *Falling for Hamlet*

After the sudden and suspicious death of his father, the king, Prince Hamlet spirals dangerously toward madness, and Ophelia finds herself torn, with no one to turn to. All Ophelia wants is to live a normal life. But when you date a prince, you have to play your part. Ophelia rides out this crazy roller coaster life, and lives to tell her story.

### QUOTES:

1. Hamlet was scrawling "To Be" and "Not to Be" over and over on my sketch pad. "What's that?" I asked. "That is the question."
2. Hamlet took me to see my favorite band, The Poor Yoricks, that night.
3. You believe Hamlet that this was an accident? Who was he actually trying to kill?

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