# **Librarian's Picks: Great Chapter Books!**



Don't Miss These Great Chapter Books!

## The True Blue Scouts of Sugar Man Swamp by Kathi Appelt

Raccoon brothers Bingo and J'miah are the newest recruits of the Official Sugar Man Swamp Scouts. The opportunity to serve the Sugar Man, the massive creature who delights in delicious sugar cane and magnanimously rules over the swamp, is an honor, and also a big responsibility, since the rest of the swamp critters rely heavily on the intel of these hardworking Scouts. Now it's up to the Scouts to save the swamp from attack by not only hogs, but developers as well.

## Magic Marks the Spot by Caroline Carlson

When Hilary Westfield escapes Miss Pim's finishing school to join a misfit pirate crew, she embarks on an unexpectedly magical swashbuckling, plank-walking, searfaring journey.

#### The Adventures of a South Pole Pig by Chris Kurtz

Flora the pig ditches the sedentary life on the farm for an adventure in Antarctica, where she escapes the knife and lives her dream of pulling a sled with a team of dogs.

#### Mister Max: The Book of Lost Things by Cynthia Voigt

When Max's parents leave the country without him, he must rely on his wits to get by, and before long he is running his own--rather unusual--business.

# The Screaming Staircase by Jonathan Stroud

Follows three young operatives of a Psychic Detection Agency as they battle an epidemic of ghosts in London.

#### Beholding Bee by Kimberley Newton Fusco

In 1942, when life turns sour at the carnival that has always been her home, eleven-year-old Bee takes her dog, Peabody, and piglet, Cordelia, and sets out to find a real home, aided by two women only Bee and her pets can see.

## **Haunters** by Thomas Taylor

Three boys, separated by generations, are linked in their ability to time-travel using their dreams to appear, ghost-like, wherever and whenever they choose, but when Eddie, the first dreamwalker, is targeted by Adam, a dream-terrorist, novice dreamwalker David must stop him.

## Elvis and the Underdogs by Jenny Lee

All his life Benji, now ten, has been sickly and he has long been targeted by the school bully, but after a seizure Benji gets a therapy dog that is not only big enough to protect him, it can also talk.

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## The Forbidden Stone by Tony Abott

Wade, Lily, Darrell, and Becca fly from Texas to Germany for the funeral of an old family friend. But instead of just paying their respects, they wind up on a dangerous, mind-blowing quest to unlock an ancient, guarded secret that could destroy the fate of the world.

# One Dog and his Boy by Eva Ibbotson

When lonely, ten-year-old Hal learns that his wealthy but neglectful parents only rented Fleck, the dog he always wanted, he and new friend Pippa take Fleck and four other dogs from the rental agency on a trek from London to Scotland, where Hal's grandparents live.

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