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Armstrong-Ellis, Carey	Prudy's Problem and How She Solved It	Prudy has an overflowing array of collections. She does some research and develops a plan to manage her many wonderful things.	2002	Picture book
Avi	The Secret School	In 1925, when the teacher has to leave, 14-year-old Ida's hopes for an education are dashed, only to be revived by the plan, suggested by a classmate, that she become the teacher.	2001	Chapter book
Barasch, Lynne	Hiromi's Hands	Hiromi at an early age conceives the idea of being a sushi chef. She learns from her father, apprentices with him, and eventually takes her place as one of the few women in a largely male profession. Based on a real person.	2007	Picture book
Bunting, Eve	The Wednesday Surprise	A girl and her grandmother meet in secret to prepare a birthday surprise for Dad. On his birthday, the surprise is revealed. The granddaughter has taught grandma to read!	1989	Picture book
Clements, Andrew	The Landry News	The newspaper that Cara Landry writes for her own purposes catches on with her classmates and becomes both a class project and a lesson in combining truth with mercy.	1999	Chapter book
Demi	One Grain of Rice	When the Raja hordes rice during a time of famine, a wise girl asks for one grain of rice, doubled daily, and teaches the king to share.	1997	Picture book
Fogelin, Adrian	Crossing Jordan	When Jemmie moves in next door to Cass, the two girls share a love of running, and make friends despite their parents' prejudices, eventually helping their families to become friends also.	2000	Chapter book

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Hiaasen, Carl	Hoot	A boy works tirelessly to rescue a group of burrowing owls from a construction company.	2002	Chapter book
Kehret, Peg	Saving Lilly	Erin and her friend David work to reveal the animal abuse in the circus, then enlist their sixth grade friends to help save a mistreated elephant.	2001	Chapter book
Lord, Cynthia	Rules	Catherine makes rules for her autistic brother so he won't act like a nerd. When she meets Jason, she sees a way to help him become verbal, and goes ahead with her plan despite his mother's resistance.	2006	Chapter book
McGraw, Eloise	The Seventeenth Swap	Eric babysits Jimmy, who will never walk. Jimmy desperately wants red cowboy boots. Eric engineer a series of swaps to make the wish for the boots a reality.	1986	Chapter book
McKissack, Patricia C.	Goin' Someplace Special	Tricia Ann has to face setbacks and prejudice as she travels from home to her "someplace special:" the desegregated library. Based on the author's experience in Nashville in the 1950's.	2001	Picture book
Mollet, Tolelwa M.	My Rows and Piles of Coins	A boy in Tanzania saves his coins so that he can buy a bicycle	1999	Picture book
Nunes, Susan Miho	The Last Dragon	When Peter discovers an old parade dragon in a dusty shop in Chinatown, he enlists the help of the entire community as he works to refurbish it.	1995	Picture book
Patron, Susan	Dark Cloud, Strong Breeze	After her father locks his keys in their car, a little girl goes through a series of agreements to secure the means for getting the car door unlocked.	1994	Picture book
Pearsall, Shelley	All of the Above	Four inner city students work together to build the world's largest tetrahedron. Based on a true story.	2006	Chapter book

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Pittman, Helena Clare	A Grain of Rice	A young man who wishes to marry the princess of China persists in making himself indispensable until the Emperor can no longer deny his request.	1996	Short "chapter-style" book
Polocco, Patricia	Chicken Sunday	Children who are falsely accused of vandalism devise and carry out a plan to prove that they are good people	1998	Picture book
Polocco, Patricia	The Lemonade Club	When Marilyn is diagnosed with leukemia, her friend Traci and the entire class work together to provide support for her. Later the two friends provide similar support for their teacher as she in turn deals with cancer.	2007	Picture book