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Discusses the use of leveled texts in kindergarten through eighth-grade classrooms, examines the "text base" needed for effective language literacy instruction, provides guidelines for creating a high-quality leveled book collection and matching books to readers, and explains how to analyze and level books.

For well over a century, Monster Hunter International has kept the world safe from supernatural threats small and large—and in some cases very, very large. Now, join us as MHI opens their archives for the first time. From experienced Hunters on their toughest cases, to total newbies' initial encounters with the supernatural, The Monster Hunter Files reveals the secret history of the world's most elite monster fighting force. Discover what happened when Agent Franks took on the Nazis in World War Two. Uncover how the Vatican's Combat Exorcists deal with Old Ones in Mexico. And find out exactly what takes place in a turf war between trailer park elves and gnomes. From the most powerful of mystical beings to MHI's humble janitor, see the world of professional monster hunting like never before. Featuring seventeen all new tales based on Larry Correia's bestselling series, from New York Timesbest-selling authors Jim Butcher, John Ringo, Jessica Day George, Jonathan Maberry, Faith Hunter, and many more. Contributors: Larry Correia Jim Butcher Mike Kupari Jessica Day George John C. Wright Maurice Broaddus Brad R. Torgersen Faith Hunter Jody Lynn Nye Quincy J. Allen Alex Shvartsman Kim May Steve Diamond John Ringo Bryan Thomas Schmidt & Julie C. Frost Sarah A. Hoyt Jonathan Maberry About Larry Correia and the Monster Hunter International series: "[E]verything I like in fantasy: intense action scenes, evil in horrifying array, good struggling against the darkness, and most of all people—gorgeously flawed human beings faced with horrible moral choices that force them to question and change and grow."—Jim Butcher "[A] no-holds-barred all-out page turner that is part science fiction, part horror, and an absolute blast to read."—Bookreporter.com "If you love monsters and action, you'll love this book. If you love guns, you'll love this book. If you love fantasy, and especially horror fantasy, you'll love this book."—Knotclan.com "A gun person who likes science fiction—or, heck, anyone who likes science fiction—will enjoy [these books] . . . The plotting is excellent, and Correia makes you care about the characters . . . I read both books without putting them down except for work . . . so whaddaya waitin' for? Go and buy some . . . for yourself and for stocking stuffers."—Massad Ayoob "This lighthearted, testosterone-soaked sequel to 2009's Monster Hunter International will delight fans of action horror with elaborate weaponry, hand-to-hand combat, disgusting monsters, and an endless stream of blood and body parts."—Publishers Weekly on Monster Hunter Vendetta About Mission: Tomorrow, edited by Bryan Thomas Schmidt: "This themed anthology . . . will appeal to a wide range of readers, who will appreciate the diversity of stories . . . a solid introduction to a classic genre."—Kirkus "Editor Schmidt adds grandmasters to a mix of newer established names and balances the tragic with the humorous."—Publishers Weekly About Shattered Shields, edited by Jennifer Brozek and Bryan Thomas Schmidt: "In this well-built anthology, seventeen original stories cut to the heart of military fantasy, diving directly into the most exciting moments of dramatic bravery, grand battles, and life-changing heroism. . . . Readers who prefer to cut straight to the action, but want more depth than pure hack-and-slash, will find these offerings appealing."—Publishers Weekly "An inventive and thought-provoking set of tales that capture the bravery and terrors of battle. Carries the banner of military fantasy proudly."—John Marco, author of The Bronze Knight Series About The Raygun Chronicles, edited by Bryan Thomas Schmidt: "Fans of sf should enjoy this stylistically varied homage to a genre as old as the fiction . . . "—Library Journal The Monster Hunter Memoirs series by Larry Correia and John Ringo: Monster Hunter Memoirs: Grunge Monster Hunter Memoirs: Sinners The Monster Hunter series by Larry Correia: Monster Hunter International Monster Hunter Vendetta Monster Hunter Alpha Monster Hunter Legion Monster **Hunter Nemesis**

They came after the Diseray. Some were terrors ripped from our collective imaginations, remnants of every mythology across the world. And some were like nothing anyone had ever dreamed up, even in their worst nightmares. Monsters. Long ago, the barriers between our world and the Otherworld were ripped open, and it's taken centuries to bring back civilization in the wake of the catastrophe. Now, the luckiest Cits live in enclosed communities, behind walls that keep them safe from the hideous creatures fighting to break through. Others are not so lucky. To Joyeaux Charmand, who has been a Hunter in her tight-knit mountain community since she was a child, every Cit without magic deserves her protection from dangerous Othersiders. Then she is called to Apex City, where the best Hunters are kept to protect the most important people. Joy soon realizes that the city's powerful leaders care more about luring Cits into a false sense of security than protecting them. More and more monsters are getting through the barriers, and the close calls are becoming too frequent to ignore. Yet the Cits have no sense of how much danger they're in-to them, Joy and her corp of fellow Hunters are just action stars they watch on TV. When an act of sabotage against Joy takes an unbearable toll, Joy uncovers a terrifying conspiracy in the city. There is something much worse than the usual monsters infiltrating Apex. And it may be too late to stop them

Accountant turned professional monster hunter, Owen Zastava Pitt, managed to stop the nefarious Old One•s invasion plans last year, but as a result made an enemy out of one of the most powerful beings in the universe. Now an evil death cult known as the Church of the Temporary Mortal Condition wants to capture Owen in order to gain the favor of the great Old Ones. The Condition is led by a fanatical necromancer known as the Shadow Man. The government wants to capture the Shadow Man and has assigned the enigmatic Agent Franks to be Owen s full time bodyguard, which is a polite way of saying that Owen is monster bait. With supernatural assassins targeting his family, a spy in their midst, and horrific beasties lurking around every corner, Owen and the staff of Monster Hunter International don•t need to go hunting, because this time the monsters are hunting them. Fortunately, this bait is armed and very dangerous... At the publisher's request, this title is sold without DRM (Digital Rights Management). IF IT'S WAR YOU WANT . . . The best of military epic fantasy as the bestselling Saga of the Forgotten Warrior series continues. The Great Extermination has begun. In the Capitol, Grand Inquisitor Omand Vokkan hatches a plot to kill every member of the untouchable caste in all of Lok, down to the last man, woman, and child. As a member of the Order of Inquisition, Vokkan has no official say in the creation of Law, but he has powerful allies willing to do his bidding. Through them, he has convinced the Judges that the genocide will be swift, complete, and without complication. Nothing is farther from the truth. Lord Protector Devedas has sworn to uphold the Law. Once, he and the traitor Ashok Vadal had been like brothers. Now, he hunts Vadal and the Sons of the Black Sword, heretics and rebels who seek to live outside the rule of the Law. All Devedas must do is find and kill his best friend and order will be restored to Lok. The rebels seek the secret kingdom spoken of by the Prophet Thera, a paradise where water is pure and food plentiful, where there are no castes, where the people rule themselves, and are not slaves to the Capitol. Ashok

Vadal is not sure he believes in such a Paradise, but he—along with his allies—does seek refuge in the rebellion's hideout in Akershan. But Vadal, a former High Protector who has turned his back on the corrupt Law, will not merely wait meekly, hoping that fleeing to Akershan will spare the rebellion from the clutches of the Great Extermination. No, if it's a war the Capitol wants, Vadal, who has faced down gods and demons, will be all too willing to give it to them. About House of Assassins: "Correia piles on the intrigue, action, and cliffhangers in the invigorating second Saga of the Forgotten Warrior epic fantasy. . . . Correia also weaves in elements that question the value of belief and the cost of giving authority to those who find more profit in preying on the weak. . . . Brisk fight scenes, lively characters, and plenty of black humor continue to make this series a real pleasure."—Publishers Weekly About prequel Son of the Black Sword: "This book has everything I like in fantasy: intense action scenes, evil in horrifying array, good struggling against the darkness, and most of all people—gorgeously flawed human beings faced with horrible moral choices that force them to question and change and grow."—Jim Butcher, creator of the New York Times best-selling Dresden Files "Bestselling fantasy author Correia casts a compelling spell with this India-influenced series opener. . . . Correia skillfully sets in motion this story of plots within plots, revealing complex, sympathetic characters and black-hearted villains with equal detail and insight. Full of action, intrigue, and wry humor, this exciting series launch promises many more thrills to come."—Publishers Weekly (starred review) "Fans who like Correia's fast-moving style will be pleased with the plethora of action scenes, and epic fantasy readers interested in delving into a new universe should be equally satisfied. A solid choice for admirers of Brent Weeks and Brandon Sanderson's Mistborn series."—Library Journal "Correia is, above all, a storyteller, and he weaves a unique and entertaining tale. Without question, his action sequences pop on the page, his magic system has a nice wrinkle, and he has the foundations laid out for some excellent character growth as the series continues . . . [A] definite hit."—Bookreporter "The lore here is fascinating and well told. I enjoyed learning the history of the world and the legend of Ramrowan. The politics are just complicated enough to feel real without being too difficult to follow. Where the book truly shines, however, is in the characters. All are well drawn and distinctively voiced."—SFCrowsnest "I loved the book, it was great, fast paced, with wonderful characters, and also a lot of wonderful scenes that screamed to be painted."—Larry Elmore, legendary, award-winning artist, and cover artist for Son of the Black Sword. "Son of the Black Sword: Saga of the Forgotten Warrior tells of what happens after the war with the gods, when demons were cast out and fell to the world to nearly destroy these unstoppable beasts until the gods sent a hero to save them. Centuries have passed since this event and the people have regulated these events to legend. One Ashok has been chosen to be a protector with a powerful weapon in hand, uncovering those who still practice old ways and are potential dangers to the order—but when he discovers all his efforts have been based on a lie, everything's about to change. A powerful epic fantasy evolves into a solid, compelling read."—Midwest Book Review About the Urban Fantasy of Larry Correia: "[A] no-holds-barred allout page turner that is part science fiction, part horror, and an absolute blast to read."—Bookreporter.com"A gun person who likes science fiction—or, heck, anyone who likes science fiction—will enjoy [these books] . . . The plotting is excellent, and Correia makes you care about the characters . . . I read both books without putting them down except for work . . . so whaddaya waitin' for? Go and buy some . . . for yourself and for stocking stuffers."—Massad Ayoob "This lighthearted, testosterone-soaked sequel to 2009's Monster Hunter International will delight fans of action horror with elaborate weaponry, hand-to-hand combat, disgusting monsters, and an endless stream of blood and body parts."—Publishers Weekly on Monster Hunter Vendetta THE INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES, USA TODAY, AND WALL STREET JOURNAL BESTSELLER From New York Times bestselling author Jay Kristoff comes Empire of the Vampire, the first illustrated volume of an astonishing new dark fantasy saga. From holy cup comes holy light; The faithful hand sets world aright. And in the Seven Martyrs' sight, Mere man shall end this

bestselling author Jay Kristoff comes Empire of the Vampire, the first illustrated volume of an astonishing new dark fantasy saga. From holy cup comes holy light; The faithful hand sets world aright. And in the Seven Martyrs' sight, Mere man shall end this endless night. It has been twenty-seven long years since the last sunrise. For nearly three decades, vampires have waged war against humanity; building their eternal empire even as they tear down our own. Now, only a few tiny sparks of light endure in a sea of darkness. Gabriel de León is a silversaint: a member of a holy brotherhood dedicated to defending realm and church from the creatures of the night. But even the Silver Order could not stem the tide once daylight failed us, and now, only Gabriel remains. Imprisoned by the very monsters he vowed to destroy, the last silversaint is forced to tell his story. A story of legendary battles and forbidden love, of faith lost and friendships won, of the Wars of the Blood and the Forever King and the quest for humanity's last remaining hope: The Holy Grail.

Piper thought taking care of Cosmo, her magical pet slime, was a big responsibility. Now she's on a mission to keep him safe from a nefarious corporation! Join Piper and Cosmo on an out-of-this-world adventure in Book 3 of the My Pet Slime series. After her pet slime came to life and her grandma got kidnapped, Piper didn't think life could get any stranger. But then she found herself trapped in the headquarters of the mysterious MaLa corporation with her Grandma Sadie, her enemy-turned-friend Claire, and Cosmo, her pet slime. Luckily, Piper has an out-of-this-world plan to escape from MaLa and make sure sweet, cuddly Cosmo stays safe forever!

Out Through the Attic: Volume 2 is the second collection of short stories from National Best-selling author Quincy J. Allen. It leans more toward the fantastic and paranormal. There are dragons, demons, witches, elves, and dwarves, to be sure, but it also has a menagerie of fearsome and fantastic characters, all invented for your reading delight. Includes: "In the Red" "Tasty Morsels" "Fomorian Legacy" "Jimmy Krinklepot and the White Rebels of Hayberry" "Demon Train" "The Godfairy" "Such is the Jungle" "Montague Plistblick's Snipe Hunt" "WANTED: Moondog Cullins" "The Scroll of Kali" "The St. Elmo Dämonjünger" "A Turn of the Ring" "Out Through the Attic: Testing Limits"

In the mid-1800s thousands of pioneers crossed the western plains of the United States using the 2,000-mile pathway called the Oregon Trail. Minnow and her family live in one of the many native villages scattered across the plains. She has a lively sense of adventure and her favorite pastime is swimming in the nearby river where she rightly earns her nickname. Rose and her family are traveling in one of the many wagon trains making their way west. It's been a tedious journey with little excitement. Rose can't wait for something thrilling to happen. And one day it does. On the banks of a rushing river that divides one way of life from another, two very different cultures come face-to-face, with life-changing results. In addition to writing children's books, Judy Young teaches poetry writing workshops for children and educators across the country. Her other books with Sleeping Bear Press include the popular R is for Rhyme: A Poetry Alphabet and The Lucky Star. Judy lives near Springfield, Missouri. A graduate of the Ringling School of Art and Design, Bill Farnsworth has created paintings for magazines, advertisements, children's books, and fine art commissions. He has illustrated more than 50 children's books and his book awards include a Teachers' Choice Award, the 2005 Patricia

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Gallagher Award, and the 2007 Volunteer State Book Award. Bill lives in Venice, Florida.

#1 IN A NEW EPIC FANTASY SERIES from Monster Hunter series creator and New York Times best-selling author, Larry Correia! After the War of the Gods, the demons were cast out and fell to the world. Mankind was nearly eradicated by the seemingly unstoppable beasts, until the gods sent the great hero, Ramrowan, to save them. He united the tribes, gave them magic, and drove the demons into the sea. Ever since the land has belonged to man and the oceans have remained an uncrossable hell, leaving the continent of Lok isolated. It was prophesized that someday the demons would return, and only the descendants of Ramrowan would be able to defeat them. They became the first kings, and all men served those who were their only hope for survival. As centuries passed the descendants of the great hero grew in number and power. They became tyrannical and cruel, and their religion nothing but an excuse for greed. Gods and demons became myth and legend, and the people no longer believed. The castes created to serve the Sons of Ramrowan rose up and destroyed their rulers. All religion was banned and replaced by a code of unflinching law. The surviving royalty and their priests were made casteless, condemned to live as untouchables, and the Age of Law began. Ashok Vadal has been chosen by a powerful ancient weapon to be its bearer. He is a Protector, the elite militant order of roving law enforcers. No one is more merciless in rooting out those who secretly practice the old ways. Everything is black or white, good or evil, until he discovers his entire life is a fraud. Ashok isnot who he thinks he is, and when he finds himself on the wrong side of the law, the consequences lead to rebellion, war¾and destruction. At the publisher's request, this title is sold without DRM (Digital Rights Management).

Up2U Adventures, where the ending is Up2U! Dylan s creepy hobby is getting gravestone rubbings from the old cemetery. He thinks that one from Dr. Naper, Cedarville s own Dr. Frankenstein, would make a perfect addition to his history project. Getting the rubbing is more difficult than Dylan thought! Will he and his history partner uncover the mystery of Dr. Naper? The ending is Up2U, so which ending will you choose? Calico Chapter Books is an imprint of Magic Wagon, a division of ABDO Group. Grades 2-5.

On the eve of his twelfth birthday, Sky, who has studied traps, puzzles, science, and the secret lore of the Hunters of Legend, realizes his destiny as a monster hunter.

Hardcover edition! Monster Hunter Illustrations continues with another mammoth-sized, 400-page artwork collection! Monster Hunter Illustrations 2 covers all the third generation Monster Hunter games including Monster Hunter Tri and Monster Hunter Portable 3rd. Featured are creature designs, character designs, armor, weapons, tons of rough sketches, and more

"The fulfilled renown of Moby-Dick and of As I Lay Dying is augmented by Blood Meridian, since Cormac McCarthy is the worthy disciple both of Melville and Faulkner," writes esteemed literary scholar Harold Bloom in his Introduction to the Modern Library edition. "I venture that no other living American novelist, not even Pynchon, has given us a book as strong and memorable." Cormac McCarthy's masterwork, Blood Meridian, chronicles the brutal world of the Texas-Mexico borderlands in the mid-nineteenth century. Its wounded hero, the teenage Kid, must confront the extraordinary violence of the Glanton gang, a murderous cadre on an official mission to scalp Indians and sell those scalps. Loosely based on fact, the novel represents a genius vision of the historical West, one so fiercely realized that since its initial publication in 1985 the canon of American literature has welcomed Blood Meridian to its shelf. "A classic American novel of regeneration through violence," declares Michael Herr. "McCarthy can only be compared to our greatest writers." FIRST IN THE GUILD HUNTER SERIES! Nalini Singh introduces readers to a world of beauty and bloodlust, where angels hold sway over vampires. Vampire hunter Elena Deveraux is hired by the dangerously beautiful Archangel Raphael. But this time, it's not a wayward vamp she has to track. It's an archangel gone bad. The job will put Elena in the midst of a killing spree like no other—and pull her to the razor's edge of passion. Even if the hunt doesn't destroy her, succumbing to Raphael's seductive touch just may. For when archangels play, mortals break.

Carefully leveled text and fresh, vibrant photos engage young readers in learning about how police cars work and what they do. Age-appropriate critical thinking questions and a photo glossary help build nonfiction learning skills. TWO MULTIPLE NEW YORK TIMES BEST-SELLING AUTHORS TEAM UP TO EXPAND LARRY CORREIA'S MONSTER HUNTER UNIVERSE! When Marine Private Oliver Chadwick Gardenier is killed in the Marine barrack bombing in Beirut, somebody who might be Saint Peter gives him a choice: Go to Heaven, which while nice might be a little boring, or return to Earth. The Boss has a mission for him and he's to look for a sign. He's a Marine: He'll choose the mission. Unfortunately, the sign he's to look for is "57." Which, given the food services contract in Bethesda Hospital, creates some difficulty. Eventually, it appears that God's will is for Chad to join a group called "Monster Hunters International" and protect people from things that go bump in the night. From there, things trend downhill. Monster Hunter Memoirs is the (mostly) true story of the life and times of one of MHI's most effective--and flamboyant--hunters. Pro-tips for up and coming hunters range from how to dress appropriately for jogging (low-profile body armor and multiple weapons) to how to develop contacts among the Japanese yakuza, to why it's not a good idea to make billy goat jokes to trolls. Grunge harkens back to the Golden Days of Monster Hunting when Reagan was in office, Ray and Susan Shackleford were top hunters and Seattle sushi was authentic. About Black Tide Rising series entry Under a Graveyard Sky by John Ringo: "...the thinking reader's zombie novel... Ringo fleshes out his theme with convincing details ... the proceedings become oddly plausible."--Publishers Weekly "If you think the zombie apocalypse will never happen, if you've never been afraid of zombies, you may change your mind after reading Under a Graveyard Sky. . . Events build slowly in the book at the outset, but you can't stop reading because it's like watching a train wreck in slow motion: inexorable and horrible. And the zombie apocalypse in these pages is so fascinating that you can't stop flipping pages to see what happens next."--Bookhound About John Ringo: "[Ringo's work is] peopled with threedimensional characters and spiced with personal drama as well as tactical finesse."--Library Journal ". . . Explosive. . . . fans. . . will appreciate Ringo's lively narrative and flavorful characters."--Publishers Weekly ". . . practically impossible not to read in one sitting . . . exceedingly impressive . . . executed with skill, verve, and wit."--Booklist "Crackerjack storytelling."--Starlog About Larry Correia and the Monster Hunter International series: "[E]verything I like in fantasy: intense action scenes, evil in horrifying array, good struggling against the darkness, and most of all people--gorgeously flawed human beings faced with horrible moral choices that force them to question and change and grow."--Jim Butcher "[A] no-holds-barred all-out page turner that is part science fiction, part horror, and an absolute blast to read."--Bookreporter.com "If you love monsters and action, you'll love this book. If you love guns, you'll love this book. If you love fantasy, and

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Fifteen outstanding authors. Fifteen stories of augmented humanity! All I need is an edge! As long as humans have competed with each other (for food, profit, and love), people have looked for ways to get an edge on the competition—how to be better, faster, and smarter than the opposition. With better science and technology, many things are now possible, and there will be many more in the future! Gene splicing will augment your abilities. Implants will make you smarter. Cybernetic systems will make you stronger. Edited by Jamie Ibson and Chris Kennedy, "We Dare" is a collection of 15 all-new stories that explores the use of augmented humanity in the near future. From getting a new personality loaded with the skills you need for a mission to nanobots that keep you from being killed to creating an indestructible tank, anything is possible! But just because we can augment humanity doesn't necessarily mean we should, and there are cautionary tales inside as well. Along with the "good" that might be possible, there is also the potential for augmentation to be used for more...nefarious...ends. Will augmentation make better criminals? What happens when someone with implants has their mind taken over? One thing is certain, though—people will dare to augment themselves to get an edge. Our authors dared to write these stories of augmented humanity; will you now dare to read them? Inside you'll find: Preface by Chris Kennedy Kade by Christopher Woods Taming the Beast by Kevin Steverson Tank by J.F. Holmes Cradle and All by Quincy J. Allen Do or Die by Jamie Ibson Yellow in the Night by Philip Wohlrab The Chaos of Well-Seeming Forms by Rob Howell Forty Acres and a Mule by Luke R. J. Maynard Imperfect Mind by Jason Cordova Bag Man by Jack Clemons Come Up Screaming by Kevin Ikenberry Angel by Robert E. Hampson To Dust by Marisa Wolf Now You See Me by Kacey Ezell Now You Don't by Josh Hayes

When hunters from around the world gather in Las Vegas for a conference, a creature left over from a World War Two weapons experiment wakes up and goes on a rampage across the desert. A not-so-friendly wager between the rival companies turns into a race to see who can bag the mysterious creature first. Only there is far more to this particular case than meets the eye, and as Hunters fall prey to their worst nightmares, Owen Zastava Pitt and the staff of Monster Hunter International have to stop an ancient god from turning Sin City into a literal hell on earth. At the publisher's request, this title is sold without DRM (Digital Rights Management).

FIRST TIME IN PAPERBACK. LATEST ENTRY IN THE NEW YORK TIMES BEST-SELLING MONSTER HUNTER INTERNATIONAL SERIES. REVENGE IS A MOTHER When Owen Pitt and the rest of the Monster Hunter International crew are called away to mount a months-long rescue mission in a monster-infested nightmare dimension, Julie Shackleford—Owen's wife and descendant of MHI founder Bubba Shackleford—is left behind. Her task: hold down the fort and take care of her new baby son, Ray. But then a routine field call brings her face-to-face with an unspeakable evil calling itself Brother Death. Julie is the Guardian of a powerful ancient artifact known as the Kamaresh Yar, and Brother Death longs for it. In the wrong hands, it could destroy reality as we know it. Julie would die before giving it up. Then little Ray goes missing, taken by Brother Death. The price for his safe return? The Kamaresh Yar. To reclaim her son, Julie Shackleford must fight her way through necromantic death cults, child-stealing monsters, and worse. And she'll have to do it all before Brother Death can unleash the Kamaresh Yar. It may be one woman against an army of monsters, but Julie Shackleford is no ordinary woman—she's maybe the toughest mother on the planet! About Monster Hunter Guardian: "Once you open the cover, be prepared for an evening to disappear like a werewolf with a portal ring."—New York Journal of Books About Larry Correia and the Monster Hunter International series: "[E]verything I like in fantasy: intense action scenes, evil in horrifying array, good struggling against the darkness, and most of all people—gorgeously flawed human beings faced with horrible moral choices that force them to question and change and grow." —Jim Butcher "[A] no-holds-barred all-out page turner that is part science fiction, part horror, and an absolute blast to read." —Bookreporter.com "If you love monsters and action, you'll love this book. If you love guns, you'll love this book. If you love fantasy, and especially horror fantasy, you'll love this book." —Knotclan.com "A gun person who likes science fiction—or, heck, anyone who likes science fiction—will enjoy [these books] . . . The plotting is excellent, and Correia makes you care about the characters . . . I read both books without putting them down except for work . . . so whaddaya waitin' for? Go and buy some . . . for yourself and for stocking stuffers." —Massad Ayoob "This lighthearted, testosterone-soaked sequel to 2009's Monster Hunter International will delight fans of action horror with elaborate weaponry, hand-to-hand combat, disgusting monsters, and an endless stream of blood and body parts." —Publishers Weekly on Monster Hunter Vendetta About Sarah A. Hoyt: "[Three Musketeers creator] Alexandre Dumas would give [Sarah A. Hoyt] a thumbs up." —Steve Forbes "[F]anciful and charming." —Library Journal "First-rate space opera with a moral lesson. You won't be disappointed." —Glenn Reynolds, Instapundit.com "[A] tour de force: logical, built from assumptions with no contradictions . . . gripping." —Jerry Pournelle "Exceptional, wonderful, and enormously entertaining." —Booklist In its 114th year, Billboard remains the world's premier weekly music publication and a diverse digital, events, brand, content and data licensing platform. Billboard publishes the most trusted charts and offers unrivaled reporting about the latest music, video, gaming, media, digital and mobile entertainment issues and trends.

Think Game of Thrones meets Buffy the Vampire Slayer with a drizzle of E.L. James - Telegraph Perfect for fans of Jessica Jones and True Blood, this is a blockbuster modern fantasy set in a divided world where one woman must uncover the truth to seek her revenge. Half-Fae, half-human Bryce Quinlan loves her life. Every night is a party and Bryce is going to savour all the pleasures Lunathion – also known as Crescent City – has to offer. But then a brutal murder shakes the very foundations of the city, and brings Bryce's world crashing down. Two years later, Bryce still haunts the city's most notorious nightclubs – but seeking only oblivion now. Then the murderer attacks again. And when an infamous Fallen angel, Hunt Athalar, is assigned to watch her every footstep, Bryce knows she can't forget any longer. As Bryce and Hunt fight to unravel the mystery, and their own dark pasts, the threads they tug ripple through the underbelly of the city, across warring continents, and down to the deepest levels of Hel, where things that have been sleeping for millennia are beginning to stir ... With unforgettable characters and page-turning suspense, this richly inventive new fantasy series by #1 New York Times bestselling author Sarah J. Maas delves into the heartache of loss, the price of freedom – and the power of love.

THRILLING SCIENCE FICTION ADVENTURE FROM BEST-SELLING AUTHORS LARRY CORREIA AND JOHN BROWN The Heart of a Warrior Once, Jackson Rook was a war hero. Raised from boyhood to pilot an exosuit mech, he'd fought gallantly for the rebellion against the Collectivists. But that was a long time ago, on a world very far away. Now, Jackson Rook is a criminal, a smuggler on board the Multipurpose Supply Vehicle Tar Heel. His latest mission: steal a top-of-the-line mech called the Citadel and deliver it to the far-flung planet Swindle, a world so hostile even the air will kill you. The client: a man known only as the Warlord. Rook has been in the smuggling business long enough to know that it's best to take the money and not ask questions. But Rook cannot stand by and watch as the Warlord runs roughshod over the citizens of Swindle, the way the Collectivists did on his homeworld. For all his mercenary ways, Rook is not a pirate. And deep within the smuggler, the heart of a warrior still beats. At the publisher's request, this title is sold without DRM (Digital Rights Management).

Ever since Bertie moved to Texas, everything is going wrong. The Science Squad kids avoid him, their monarch butterfly project proves surprisingly hard, and something strange is happening with the few specimens they do find. Can Bertie solve the mystery and collect and tag

enough butterflies before they migrate south?

The Last Kids on Earth meets Goosebumps in this hilarious new series about a secret society of babysitters who protect kids from the monsters that really do live under their beds! When middle schooler Kelly Ferguson's Halloween plans switch from party-going to babysitting, she thinks the scariest part of her night will be the death of her social life. But then Baby Jacob gets kidnapped by the Boogeyman's minions and Kelly learns there's a whole lot more to childcare than free snacks and Netflix. Like chasing shadow monsters, drop-kicking Toadies, and mastering monster-fighting moves like the Naptime Headlock and Playground Punch. Now, with the help of an ancient handbook and a secret society of buttkicking babysitters, Kelly sets out to destroy the Boogeyman before he brings Jacob's nightmares to life. But when the monsters' trail leads to her school's big Halloween bash, Kelly will have to prove she can save the world—without totally embarrassing herself in front of her friends. Packed with black-and-white illustrations and insider secrets from the world of monster hunting, A Babysitter's Guide to Monster Hunting is full of tricks, treats, and terrifying twists! Contains an all-new afterword by New York Times best-selling author Larry Correia! Welcome to Monster Hunter International. Five days after Owen Zastava Pitt pushed his insufferable boss out of a fourteenth story window, he woke up in the hospital with a scarred face, an unbelievable memory, and a job offer. It turns out that monsters are real. All the things from myth, legend, and B-movies are out there, waiting in the shadows. Officially secret, some of them are evil, and some are just hungry. On the other side are the people who kill monsters for a living. Monster Hunter International is the premier eradication company in the business. And now Owen is their newest recruit. It's actually a pretty sweet gig, except for one little problem. An ancient entity known as the Cursed One has returned to settle a centuries old vendetta. Should the Cursed One succeed, it means the end of the world, and MHI is the only thing standing in his way. With the clock ticking towards Armageddon, Owen finds himself trapped between legions of undead minions, belligerent federal agents, a cryptic ghost who has taken up residence inside his head, and the cursed family of the woman he loves. Business is good . . . At the publisher's request, this title is sold without DRM (Digital Rights Management). Lexile Score: 710

Madness plays a vital role in many ancient epics: not only do characters go mad, but madness also often occupies a central thematic position in the texts. In this book, Debra Hershkowitz examines from a variety of theoretical angles the representation and poetic function of madness in Greek and Latin epic from Homer through the Flavians, including individual chapters devoted to the Iliad and Odyssey, Virgil's Aeneid, Ovid's Metamorphoses, Lucan's Bellum Civile, and Statius' Thebaid. The study also addresses the difficulty of defining madness, and discusses how each epic explores this problem in a different way, finding its own unique way of conceptualizing madness. Epic madness interacts with ancient models of madness, but also, even more importantly, with previous representations of madness in the literary tradition. Likewise, the reader's response to epic madness is influenced by both ancient and modern views of madness, as well as by an awareness of intertextuality.

Orphan Jack Templar has no memory of his parents and only the smallest details from his Aunt Sophie about how they died. The day before Jack's 14th birthday, things start to change for him. He has only one day before hundreds of monsters will descend on his little town of Sunnyvale and try to kill him. He will have to battle werewolves, vampires, harpies, trolls, zombies, and more. But perhaps the most dangerous thing he must face is the truth about his past. Monster Hunter EpicMonster Hunter VendettaBaen Publishing Enterprises

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The Monster Hunters head to Nevada where their destination is Lake Tahoe. While seeking a monster called Tahoe Tessie, they discover how much damage invasive species can do. A close call underwater shows the team the importance of scientific research, and a glimpse of Tahoe Tessie! Calico Chapter Books is an imprint of Magic Wagon, a division of ABDO.

Welcome to the Science Squad, a citizen science organization for curious kids who love nature and science! Follow along as Squad members journal their efforts to make a difference in the world around them. It's summer vacation, but twelve-year-old Raksha isn't doing much relaxing. There is one project left before her Science Squad team earns their last badge (and a trip to Hawaii on the line!), when she gets an opportunity to attend a highly competitive fashion camp that is too good to pass up. It isn't long before her Science Squad work hunting for zombie bees is taking over her life. She hardly has time to prepare for her fashion camp runway show. Can Raksha pull it all together and prove that she can be a fashion queen, or is she destined to be a science geek forever?

In a world of magic, a clockwork gunslinger must stop a demon apocalypse from wiping out worlds. Starting in an old west you'd mostly recognize, this six-book series journeys beyond the boundaries of our own world and becomes an epic fantasy tale culminating in a demon war that tears deep... straight into the heart of Texas. Alien Worlds-A Demon Civilization-Ancient CorruptionTHE BLOOD WAR CHRONICLESBlood Oath, the third book in the Blood War Chronicles, finds Ghiss and a band Orfeo ne Tsioch's minions seeking a relic that could lead them straight to Lady Corina D?ne?ti. With Corina as Orfeo's captive, they could kick off a demon apocalypse and ignite a war that would destroy one world after another. However, intel from Mad Emperor Norton has given Jake and his friends a fighting chance to beat Ghiss to the punch. Leaving Corina behind, they brave passage across the Traleil Sea to a world called Illenwikiakan, a world which once cradled the heart of a demon civilization. To reach their goal, they must cross a corrupted forest and enter an ancient keep that hungrily awaits the taste of fresh meat. Before the end, Jake will risk his very soul to steal away Ghiss' prize, paying one heavy toll after another in search of victory. The first battle of Third Demon War has begun. "Prepare for shocks, grit, and a voice you'll want to read forever." #1 NYT Bestselling Author Sherrilyn Kenyon" Just like the first book in the series, Blood Ties, Blood Curse pulls you along on Jake and Cole's wild ride across the West. Quincy does a great job blending magic with steampunk and wrapping it in the grittiness of a western. I didn't want to put this one down, and almost missed my bus stop a couple of times! I highly recommend the series. You won't be disappointed." Niara "Quincy Allen offers a brisk, thoughtful story that weaves together the necessary tropes to create a satisfying Steampunk adventure.... The tight prose

draws you into an evocative tale that spins on intrigue and double-crosses. Go for it." Mario Acevedo, Acclaimed Author and Artist In 1768, an 11-year-old sailor named Nicholas took to the seas with British explorer James Cook on a 3-year expedition of discovery, venturing into an uncharted world filled with strange lands, mysterious peoples, and peculiar creatures. Sailing the Unknown, written by Michael J. Rosen in the shorthand style of a historical journal and illustrated with panoramic vistas by Maria Cristina Pritelli, depicts this historic journey from the viewpoint of young Nick.

Beast hunter and local hero Keltin Moore joins a desperate campaign to save faraway Krendaria, a nation on the verge of revolution. A swarm of beasts threatens to destroy the country's desperately needed crops, and an unprecedented team of hunters is assembled to cleanse the infested farmlands. But the grand adventure quickly becomes a desperate fight for survival as the horde of beasts seems endless and distrust among the hunters eats away at the campaign from within. In desperation, Keltin and his new friends embark on a dangerous mission into the heart of the deadly swarm, prepared to make a final stand against the oncoming beasts to try and save all of Krendaria from starvation.

Spanning eight decades and chronicling the wild ride of a Greek-American family through the vicissitudes of the twentieth century, Jeffrey Eugenides' witty, exuberant novel on one level tells a traditional story about three generations of a fantastic, absurd, lovable immigrant family -- blessed and cursed with generous doses of tragedy and high comedy. But there's a provocative twist. Cal, the narrator -- also Callie -- is a hermaphrodite. And the explanation for this takes us spooling back in time, through a breathtaking review of the twentieth century, to 1922, when the Turks sacked Smyrna and Callie's grandparents fled for their lives. Back to a tiny village in Asia Minor where two lovers, and one rare genetic mutation, set our narrator's life in motion. Middlesex is a grand, utterly original fable of crossed bloodlines, the intricacies of gender, and the deep, untidy promptings of desire. It's a brilliant exploration of divided people, divided families, divided cities and nations -- the connected halves that make up ourselves and our world.

After playing boisterously at the playground, Percy learns how to keep himself and his friends safe and still have a good time. Includes questions about the text and a note to parents about visual learning.

Gabe Brown has the coolest stepbrother in the world. Ben is a monster hunter! He tracks down cryptids, mythical legendary creatures that may actually exist. Ben has his own show on the Internet - Discover Cryptids. Gabe and his friends Tyler and Sean help Ben on his hunts and make sure the show does go on! Along the way, the team learns interesting information about the states they visit while hunting monsters. Calico Chapter Books is an imprint of Magic Wagon, a division of ABDO.

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