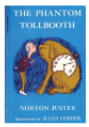

The Phantom Tollbooth *by Norton Juster*
Milo really isn't interested in anything until he takes a trip through the Phantom Tollbooth and discovers words, numbers, and creativity.

Philippa Fisher's Fairy Godsister *by Liz Kessler*
Philippa would like nothing better than to have a fairy godsister but when one reluctantly shows up, neither one of them knows exactly how to handle the situation.

The Red Pyramid *by Rick Riordan (The Kane chronicles);* bk.1
With their father having been banished to oblivion by the ancient Egyptian god, Set, Sadie and Carter must flee for their lives and at the same time, attempt to save him. (The Kane chronicles, book 1)

Redwall *by Brian Jacques*
A young mouse named Matthias sets out to find the legendary sword of Martin the Warrior in his quest to help Redwall's inhabitants destroy the evil rat, Cluny and his vicious allies. (Redwall series, book 1)

The Sixty-Eight Rooms *by Marianne Malone*
Magic, mystery, and adventure await Ruthie as her sixth-grade class visits the Thorne Rooms at the Art Institute of Chicago and she discovers a key that shrinks her to the size of a gerbil!
(Sixty-eight rooms adventure, book 1)

Sky Raiders *by Brandon Mull*
Halloween suddenly gets a whole lot spookier for Cole when he finds himself in The Outskirts, an in-between place of five kingdoms that is very hard to leave and even harder to survive.
(Five Kingdoms, book 1)

The Unwanteds *by Lisa McMann*
Thirteen-year-old Aaron is intelligent and Wanted and goes to university. Identical twin brother Alex is creative but Unwanted and is to be Eliminated. Or is he? (The Unwanteds, book 1)

What Came from the Stars *by Gary Schmidt*
The people of Valorim are ruled by a dark lord and send their planet, hidden inside a necklace, across the cosmos where it lands in the lunchbox of Tommy Pepper, a sixth-grader in Massachusetts.

Wild Born *by Brandon Mull*
(find under Spirit Animals)
The fate of Erdas falls on the shoulders of four young strangers and their spirit animals – a wolf, a leopard, a panda, and a falcon. It also falls on you-the reader! (Spirit Animals series, book 1)

Wildwood *by Colin Meloy*
In trying to find her baby brother who has been kidnapped by crows, seventh-grader Prue discovers a dangerous and magical forest – in Portland, Oregon! (The Wildwood Chronicles, book 1)

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Fantasy Fiction

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The Amulet of Samarkand
by Jonathan Stroud
A young magician's apprentice, a 5000-year-old djinni and a devious wizard become involved in blackmail, murder, and conspiracy as they fight over the powerful amulet of Samarkand.
(Bartimaeus series, book 1)

The Book of Three *by Lloyd Alexander*
Taran the Assistant Pig-keeper, a sharp-tongued princess, and an oracular sow endure an epic struggle between good and evil as they seek to save the legendary land of Prydain.
(Chronicles of Prydain series, book 1)

The Capture *by Kathryn Lasky*
A young owl named Soren falls from his nest and finds himself in the hands of rescuers from a mysterious school that may be training owls for dubious purposes.
(Guardians of Ga'Hoole series, book 1)

The Carpet People *by Terry Pratchett*
A big story set in a small world of power-hungry mouls and two brothers who set out to save their people and find a new home. The story will end badly if they don't succeed.

The Colossus Rises *by Peter Lerangis*
Endowed with superior abilities, Jack and his friends will die if they don't find seven lost globes from the ruins of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. (Seven Wonders series, book 1)

The Coming of Dragons *by A. J. Lake*
Edmund and Elspeth are the only survivors of a shipwreck when they discover a magical trunk that gives them special powers to fight evil forces determined to destroy their home country.
(Darkest age series, book 1)

The Dark Hills Divide *by Patrick Carman*
In the walled city of Elyon, Alexa takes possession of a silver key and discovers that it opens the door leading out of the city's walls and into the mysterious forest beyond.

The Dragonet Prophecy *by Tui Sutherland*
Five unwilling dragonets are selected to fulfill a prophecy to end a generations-long war among the seven dragon tribes.

Fablehaven *by Brandon Mull*
Seth and Kendra don't feel welcomed at their grandfather's home and for good reason. Things are not what they seem in this secret haven for magical creatures, both good and evil.
(Fablehaven series, book 1)

Fairest of All *by Sarah Mlynowski*
Snow White is wide-awake in this new spin on the classic fairytale but there will be no happy ever after if Abby and her brother can't fix Snow White's story. (Whatever after series, book 1)

The Fire Within *by Chris D'Lacey*
Aspiring writer, David, rents a room which is already peopled with a collection of handmade clay dragons with magical powers. He is inspired to write a story and then must unlock the powers of the fire within. (Last Dragon Chronicles, book 1)

Goblin Secrets *by William Alexander*
Rownie escapes from a witch but falls in with a troupe of goblins as he searches for his missing brother.

The Golden Door *by Emily Rodda*
Rye must follow his two missing brothers through the magic doors in an attempt to find the Enemy and stop the fearsome flying creatures that are attacking his city. (Three doors trilogy, book 1)

Gregor the Overlander *by Suzanne Collins*
Eleven-year-old Gregor and his two-year-old sister fall down an air vent in their New York City apartment and arrive in an underground world of assorted animals including bats, cockroaches and spiders. Gregor soon turns into a warrior and tries to help locate his missing father.
(Underland Chronicles, book 1)

Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone *by J.K. Rowling*
Harry begins his fantastic adventure by escaping his neglectful uncle and aunt thanks to a scholarship to The Hogwarts School for Witchcraft and Wizardry. (Harry Potter series, book 1)

The Hound of Rowan *by Henry Neff*
Max's quiet life ends when he discovers a mysterious tapestry and ends up enrolled in the Rowan Academy where he trains in mystics and combat. (Tapestry series, book 1)

House of Secrets *by Chris Columbus*
The entire world is in danger in this story of three children banished to a primeval world governed by supernatural pirates and a power-hungry queen.

How to Train Your Dragon *by Cressida Cowell*
Hiccup Horrendous Haddock the Third has many adventures as he tries to pass the initiation test of his Viking clan which involves catching and training a dragon. (How to train your dragon series, book 1)

Icefall *by Matthew Kirby*
Hiding out in an icy fortress, princess Solveig and her siblings anxiously await the return of their father, the king, but a traitor is in their midst and who can they trust?

Into the wild *by Erin Hunter*
Four clans of wild cats have shared the forest for years, but when their warrior code is tested, Rusty, who appears to be an average house cat, comes to the rescue. (Warriors series, book 1)

The Lightning Thief *by Rick Riordan*
Percy and Annabeth meet at a summer camp for demigods and join forces to prevent a war between Zeus and Poseidon battling over a stolen lightning bolt. (Percy Jackson & the Olympians, book 1)

Leven Thumps and the Gateway to Foo *by Obert Skye*
Lev and friends are on a long, strange trip to derail a deranged dream master bent on conquering Earth and the realm of Foo, the haven of all our night and day dreams. (Leven Thumps series, book 1)

The Looking Glass Wars *by Frank Beddor*
It's true – Wonderland exists! And so does Alice only she spells it Alyss and her wicked aunt cast her out and now Alyss has to battle to reclaim her throne. (Looking Glass Wars, book 1)

The Lost Hero *by Rick Riordan*
Three students, supposedly juvenile delinquents, are really demigods and must go on a quest to free Hera, the queen of the gods.
(Heroes of Olympus, book 1)

The magic Thief *by Sarah Prineas*
Conn is a pickpocket but he gets more than he bargained for when he picks a wizard's pocket and gets drawn into a world of magic.
(The Magic Thief, book 1)

Magyk *by Angie Sage*
On the same night his son Septimus is born and whisked away, Silas Heap finds a baby girl in the snow and takes her home. When she is ten-years-old, it is discovered that she is really a princess and her arrival and Septimus's disappearance might somehow be linked. (Septimus Heap, book 1)

The magician's nephew *by C.S. Lewis*
Polly and Digory venture into Narnia and confront evil Queen Jadis and meet the fantastic King Aslan. (Chronicles of Narnia, book 1)

Midnight for Charlie Bone *by Jenny Nimmo*
The wonderful powers of the Red King were passed down to his descendants and one of them is Charlie Bone. He can hear people in photographs talking but he doesn't know what a dangerous gift that is! (Children of the Red King, book 1)

Nicholas St. North and the Battle of the Nightmare King *by William Joyce*
Nicholas is a swordsman looking for treasure but finds a great wizard, a nightmare king, and evil Fearlings. Is this a battle worth fighting?
(The Guardians, book 1)

Ophelia and the Marvelous Boy *by Karen Foxlee*
This is a modern-day retelling of the Snow Queen with an unlikely heroine, Ophelia, rescuing a boy locked in a long-forgotten room and then embarking on an incredible journey to save the world.