

Great Fiction for grades 3-5 - 2009



**Archer's Quest by Linda Sue Park**

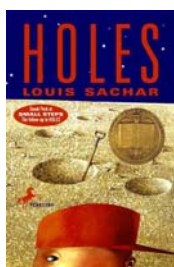
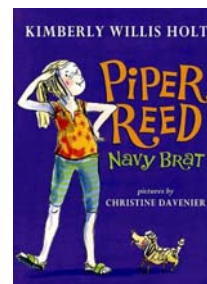
AR 4.6 – 167 pages

Twelve-year-old Kevin is quietly doing his homework in 1999 when a fully-armed archer tumbles through space and time and into his bedroom, and upon verifying that the intruder is Chu-mong, a Korean king and folk hero from the ancient past, he works to find a way to send Chu back before history is altered forever.

**Piper Reed, Navy Brat by Kimberly Holt**

AR Level: 3.5 -- 146 pages

Piper is sad about leaving her home and friends behind when her father, a Navy aircraft mechanic, is transferred yet again, but with help from her often-annoying sisters and a surprise from their parents, she finds happiness in their new home in Pensacola, Florida.



**Holes by Louis Sachar**

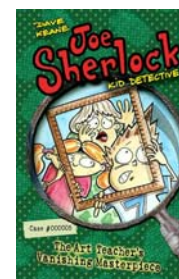
AR Level: 4.6 -- 233 pages

As further evidence of his family's bad fortune which they attribute to a curse on a distant relative, Stanley Yelnats is sent to a hellish correctional camp in the Texas desert where he finds his first real friend, a treasure, and a new sense of himself.

**The Art Teacher's Vanishing Masterpiece by Dave Keane**

AR Level: 5.1 -- 119 pages

Fourth-grade sleuth Joe Sherlock enlists his sister to help him investigate when a valuable painting is stolen from a local art museum.



**A Picture for Marc by Eric Kimmel**

AR Level: 3.7 -- 101 pages

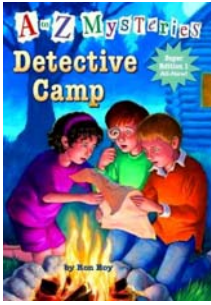
Marc, an imaginative Russian boy, discovers his talent for drawing and, with the encouragement of a friend and an art teacher, decides to become an artist. Based loosely on the childhood of Marc Chagall.

**From the Mixed-up files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler by E. L. Konigsburg**

AR Level: 4.7 -- 162 pages

Two suburban children run away from their Connecticut home and go to New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art, where their ingenuity enables them to live in luxury.





**Detective Camp by Ron Roy**

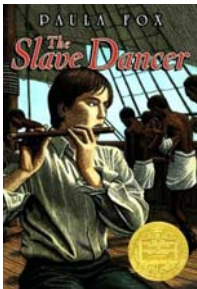
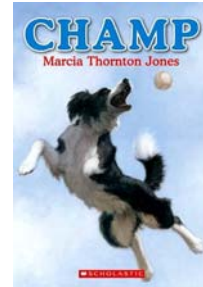
**AR Level: 4 -- 130 pages**

**While learning detective skills at a sleep-away camp, Dink and his friends undercover a real mystery involving stolen paintings.**

**Champ by Marcia Thornton Jones**

**AR Level: 4.3 -- 187 pages**

**Riley struggles to make his father proud, despite his poor athletic abilities, but when he meets Champ, a three-legged former show dog, Riley learns that winning doesn't always have to mean coming in first.**



**The Slave Dancer by Paula Fox**

**AR Level: 6 -- 177 pages**

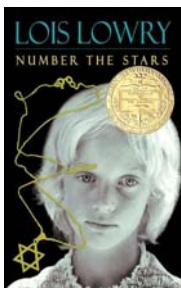
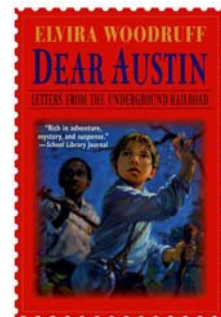
**Kidnapped by the crew of an Africa-bound ship, a thirteen-year-old boy discovers to his horror that he is on a slaver and his job is to play music for the exercise periods of the human cargo.**

**Dear Austin: Letters from the Underground Railroad by**

**Elvira Woodruff**

**AR Level: 5.2 -- 137 pages**

**In 1853, in letters to his older brother, eleven-year-old Levi describes his adventures in the Pennsylvania countryside with his African-American friend Jupiter and his experiences with the Underground Railroad.**



**Number the Stars by Lois Lowry**

**AR Level: 4.5 -- 137 pages**

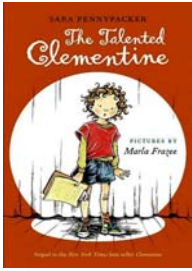
**In 1943, during the German occupation of Denmark, ten-year-old Annemarie learns how to be brave and courageous when she helps shelter her Jewish friend from the Nazis.**

**The Chocolate Touch by Patrick Catling**

**AR Level 4.7 -- 126 pages**

**A boy acquires a magical gift that turns everything his lips touch into chocolate.**





**The Talented Clementine by Sara Pennypacker**

**AR Level 4 -- 137 pages**

**Eight-year-old Clementine, convinced that she has no talents, tries to find a way to avoid participating in the class talent show.**

**Winnie at Her Best by Jennifer Jacobson**

**AR Level 4.1 -- 84 pages**

**Zoe is the smartest speller and Vanessa is the top actress in the fourth grade, but Winnie doesn't know what she does best until she helps a young neighbor in need.**



**Back in Time with Benjamin Franklin: A Qwerty Stevens**

**Adventure by Dan Gutman**

**AR Level 5.2 -- 183 pages**

**After accidentally sucking Benjamin Franklin into twenty-first-century New Jersey with his Anytime Anywhere machine, thirteen-year-old Qwerty Stevens and his best friend almost wind up stuck in Philadelphia on July 4, 1776 when they try to send him back.**

**WhiteStar: A Dog on the Titanic by Marty Crisp**

**AR Level 5.1 -- 158 pages**

**Twelve-year-old Sam, a passenger on the Titanic's maiden sea voyage, volunteers to help care for the dogs in the ocean liner's kennel and becomes fast friends with the Irish setter of J. Bruce Ismay, the ship's owner.**



**Ivy and Bean by Annie Barrows**

**AR Level 3.2 – 113 pages**

**When seven-year-old Bean plays a mean trick on her sister, she finds unexpected support for her antics from Ivy, the new neighbor, who is less boring than Bean first suspected.**