

Barron, T.A. **The Merlin Effect** (YA SF BARRON, T).

When she joins her father and several others investigating a strange whirlpool and possible sunken treasure ship off the coast of Baja California, thirteen-year-old Kate is drawn into a centuries-old conflict between Merlin and the evil Vagar.

Cole, Brock. **The Goats** (YA FIC Cole) Stripped naked by fellow campers and left on a deserted island, misfits Laura and Howie survive humiliation, natural dangers, and each other.

Cussler, Clive. **Inca Gold** (ADULT FIC CUSSLER, C)

500 years ago, the last Inca King buried a treasure greater than any Egyptian Pharaoh's, on the banks of a hidden underground river. The ancients who hid the treasure have long since passed, but the treasure? Join Dirk Pitt, the world's great adventure hero, on this wild, spell-binding "treasure hunt," as he battles robbers, thieves and ancient curses.

Hobbs, Will. **Downriver** (YA FIC HOBBS, W)

Jesse and his friends ditch their wilderness survival team's leader, steal his van and rafts, and run the dangerous whitewaters of the Grand Canyon.

Hobbs, Will. **Far North** (YA FIC HOBBS, W)

After the destruction of their floatplane, sixteen-year-old Gabe and his Dene friend, Raymond, struggle to survive a winter in the wilderness of the Northwest Territories.

Horowitz, Anthony. **Eagle Strike** (YA FIC HOROWITZ, A)

After a chance encounter with an assassin in France, teenage spy Alex Rider investigates international pop star and philanthropist, Damian Gray, whose new video game venture hides sinister motives involving Air Force One, nuclear missiles, and the international drug trade.

Johnson, Maureen. **13 Little Blue Envelopes** (YA FIC JOHNSON, M)

When seventeen-year-old Ginny's Aunt Peg dies, she leaves Ginny \$1,000, instructions to buy a plane ticket to London, and thirteen little blue envelopes with messages inside.

Lawrence, Iain. **The Wreckers** (YA FIC LAWRENCE, I)

Shipwrecked after a vicious storm, fourteen-year-old John attempts to save his father and himself while dealing with an evil secret about the English town they are stranded in.

L'Engle, Madeleine. **Troubling a Star** (YA M L'ENGLE, M)

As she tries to stay alive, after being left on an iceberg in the Antarctic, sixteen-year-old Vicky recalls the events that brought her there and involved her in a dangerous mystery.

London, Jack. **The Call of the Wild** (JUV, YA, ADULT FIC LONDON, J)

Buck is stolen from his family and shipped north to be trained as a sled dog. Torn from his home, he is thrown into the fierce struggle of the Klondike gold rush, forced to endure hardship, bitter cold and the savage lawlessness of man and beast.

London, Jack. **The Sea Wolf** (JUV, YA, ADULT FIC LONDON, J)

The powerful and gripping saga of Humphrey, captured by a seal-hunting ship, and now an unwilling sailor under its dreaded captain, Wolf Larsen – a violent brute of a man.

London, Jack. **White Fang** (JUV, YA, ADULT FIC LONDON, J)

The adventure of an animal – part dog, part wolf – turned vicious by cruel abuse, then transformed by the patience and affection of one man.

Marsden, John. **Tomorrow, When the War Began** (YA FIC MARSDEN)

Seven Australian teenagers return from a camping trip in the bush to discover that their country has been invaded and they must hide to stay alive.

O'Dell, Scott. **The Black Pearl** (JUV, YA FIC O'DELL, S)

In this gripping story, 16-year-old Ramon enters the great chamber of Manta Diablo, hoping to escape the clutches of this dreaded "monster," and win possession of a rare, black pearl that is the size of a baseball!

Philbrick, Nathaniel. **Revenge of the Whale: The True Story of the Whaleship Essex**

(YA NF 910.452 P534R)

In 1820, the whaleship *Essex* was rammed and sunk by a sperm whale, forcing the crew to abandon ship in three small lifeboats in the middle of the Pacific Ocean.

Pullman, Philip. **The Tin Princess**  
(YA FIC PULLMAN, P)

In 1882, sixteen-year-old Becky applies for a tutoring job in London, and becomes embroiled in assassination, intrigue, and dangerous politics in the small European kingdom of Razkavia.

Rees, Celia. **Pirates! The True and Remarkable Adventures of Minerva Sharpe and Nancy Kington , Female Pirates** (YA FIC REES, C)

In 1722, after arriving with her brother at the family's Jamaican plantation where she is to be married off, 16-year-old Nancy Kington escapes with her slave friend, Minerva Sharpe, and together they become pirates traveling the world in search of treasure.

Smith, Roland. **Jaguar** (YA FIC SMITH, R)

While accompanying his father on an expedition up the Amazon River to a Jaguar preserve in Brazil, fourteen-year-old Jacob must battle dangerous animals and fortune hunters.

Stevenson, Robert Louis. **Treasure Island** (JUV, YA, ADULT FIC STEVENSON, R)

While going through the possessions of a deceased guest who owned them money, the mistress of the inn and her son find a treasure map of a pirate fortune, and great danger.

Swarthout, Glendon. **Bless the Beasts and Children** (YA FIC SWARTHOUT G.)

Five misfits in an Arizona boy's camp sneak out on a daring escapade to save a herd of buffaloes from bloodthirsty gun-toting tourists.

Verne, Jules. **Mysterious Island** (YA, ADULT FIC VERNE, J)

After a daring escape from a Confederate prison camp in a balloon, four men, a boy, and a dog land on a faraway, fantastic island of mysterious goings-on, and struggle to survive as they uncover the island's secret.

Verne, Jules. **Journey to the Centre of the Earth** (YA, ADULT SF VERNE)

When Axel deciphers an old parchment that describes a secret passage through a volcano to the centre of the earth, he joins his Uncle Lidenbrock and Hans the guide on a perilous, astonishing journey through the subterranean world.

White, Robb. **Deathwatch** (YA FIC WHITE, R)

Ben's hunting expedition for bighorn sheep becomes a deathwatch in the desert – with hope of survival forty-five miles away!

Zindel, Paul. **Raptor** (YA FIC ZINDEL, P)

Zack and his Ute Indian friend find themselves trapped in a cave with a living dinosaur - the deadly Utahraptor.

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