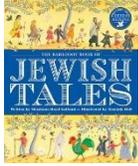


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Books with Judaic Content

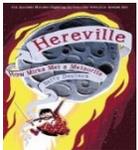
The Barefoot Book of Jewish tales, by Shoshana Boyd Gelfand. Includes eight delightful tales from the Jewish tradition. Each story has been chosen for its appeal to families and each has a simple yet powerful message. **Call number: J 398.2089 GEL**



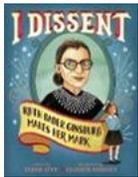
Gifts from the enemy, by Trudy Ludwig. Alter Wiener, a teen survivor of five Nazi prison camps during World War II, tells of a time when an unexpected person demonstrated moral courage in repeated acts of kindness toward him. **Call number: J 940.53 LUD**



Hereville: how Mirka met a meteorite, by Barry Deutsch. Eleven-year-old Mirka Herschberg dreams of fighting dragons and spends her days honing her skills, even though there are no dragons in her Orthodox Jewish community, but when she accepts a challenge from a mysterious witch, Mirka just might win her dragon-fighting sword after all. **Call number: M FIC MCC**



I dissent: Ruth Bader Ginsburg makes her mark, by Debbie Levy. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg has spent a lifetime disagreeing: disagreeing with inequality, arguing against unfair treatment, and standing up for what's right for people everywhere. This biographical picture book tells the justice's story through the lens of her many famous dissents, or disagreements. **Call number: J 347.73 LEV**



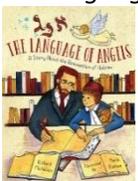
The inquisitor's tale, or, the three magical children and their holy dog, by Adam Gidwitz. A peasant girl and her holy greyhound, an oblate on a mission from his monastery, and a young Jewish boy travel across medieval France to escape persecution and save holy texts from being burned. **Call number: M FIC GID**



Jars of hope: how one woman helped save 2,500 children during the Holocaust, by Jennifer Roy. Tells Irena Sendler's story of saving 2,500 children during the Holocaust. **Call number: J 940.53 ROY**



The language of angels: a story about the reinvention of Hebrew, by Richard Michelson. Ben-Zion's father insisted that his son speak only Hebrew, considered by some as the language of angels. But in the 1880s, the Jewish people who lived in Jerusalem spoke Yiddish or the languages of the places where they grew up. Hebrew hadn't been in everyday use for more than two thousand years, and adults said it could never be revived. **Call number: J 492.4 MIC**



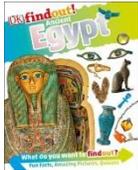
The tree in the courtyard: looking through Anne Frank's window, by Jeff Gottesfeld. Tells Anne Frank's story from the perspective of the glorious horse chestnut tree. **Call number: J 920 FRA**



Non Fiction

Ancient Egypt, Provides information on Ancient Egypt, describing art, culture, and daily living.

Call number: J 932 MCD



Anything but ordinary Addie: the true story of Adelaide Herrmann, Queen of Magic, by Mara Rockliff.

Traces the story of dancer-turned-magician's assistant Adelaide Herrmann, placing her achievements against a backdrop of period conventions about women in the arts and her determination to continue her work after the death of her husband.

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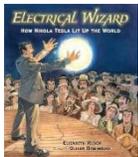


Discovering sharks, by Donna Parham. Learn about more than 50 different kinds of sharks.

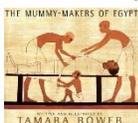
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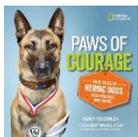
Electrical wizard: how Nikola Tesla lit up the world, by Elizabeth Rusch. Here is the story of the ambitious young man who brought life-changing ideas to America, despite the obstructive efforts of his hero-turned-rival, Thomas Edison. **Call number: J 621.3092 RUS**



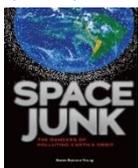
The mummy-makers of Egypt, by Tamara Bower. A gorgeously illustrated story about a family of Egyptian embalmers that will enthrall kids with its mummy-making details and brilliantly painted pages. **Call number: J 932 BOW**



Paws of courage: true tales of heroic dogs that protect and serve, by Nancy Furstinger. Readers will cheer for the hero dogs featured in this collection, profiled with stunning photos and inspiring tales of bravery, friendship, heroism, and devotion. **Call number: J 636.7 FUR**



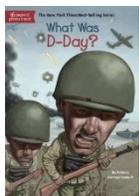
Space junk: the dangers of polluting Earth's orbit, by Karen Romano Young. Examines the proliferation of space debris in outer space and discusses methods of retrieving and disposing of the material. **Call number: J 629.416 YOU**



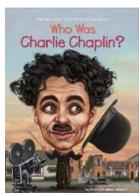
Vikings, written and edited by Carrie Love and Lorrie Mack. Explores the civilization of the Vikings, discussing their epic voyages, festivals, and daily lives. **Call number: J 948.022 LOV**



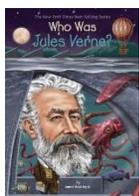
What was D-Day?, by Patricia Brennan Demuth. D-Day spelled the beginning of the end for Nazi Germany and the Third Reich. Readers will dive into the heart of the action and discover how it was planned and carried out. **Call number: J 940.53 DEM**



Who was Charlie Chaplin?, by Patricia Brennan Demuth. A moving portrait of a multi-talented man - actor, director, writer, even music composer and the complicated times he lived in. **Call number: J 920 CHA**

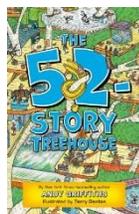


Who was Jules Verne?, by James Buckley Jr. Meet the father of science fiction, Jule Verne. **Call number: J 920 VER**



Fiction

The 52-story treehouse, by Andy Griffiths. Andy and Terry live in a 52-story treehouse. (It used to be 39 stories, but they added some stuff.) Who knows what fun stories and crazy adventures lay ahead? After all, life is NEVER boring in a 52-story treehouse! **Call number: J FIC GRI**



The Arctic code, by Matthew J. Kirby. The Earth is in the grip of a new Ice Age, and when twelve-year-old Eleanor's scientist mother disappears in the Arctic, Eleanor sets off on a dangerous journey to find her--and uncovers a mystery, a crime, and evidence that Earth has been visited by extraterrestrials. **Call number: M FIC KIR**



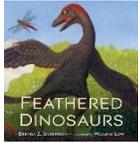
The blackthorn key, by Kevin Sands. In 1665 London, fourteen-year-old Christopher Rowe, apprentice to an apothecary, and his best friend, Tom, try to uncover the truth behind a mysterious cult, following a trail of puzzles, codes, pranks, and danger toward an unearthly secret with the power to tear the world apart. **Call number: M FIC SAN**



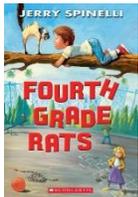
The disappearance of Emily H., by Barrie Summy. Eighth-grader Raine, a new girl at Yielding Middle School, uses her supernatural ability to see other people's memories to solve the disappearance of a teenaged girl. **Call number: M FIC SUM**



Feathered dinosaurs, by Brenda Z. Guiberson. A beautiful exploration of recently-discovered feathered dinosaurs. **Call number: J 567.9 GUI**



Fourth grade rats, by Jerry Spinelli. Now that he is in the fourth grade, Suds learns that a fear of spiders or a babyish lunchbox will never get him into the coveted group, the Fourth Grade Rats. **Call number: J FIC SPI**



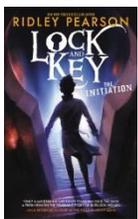
Grandpa's great escape, by David Walliams. An exquisite portrait of the bond between a small boy and his beloved Grandpa, this book takes readers on an incredible journey with Spitfires over London and Great Escapes through the city in a high octane adventure full of comedy and heart. **Call number: M FIC WAL**



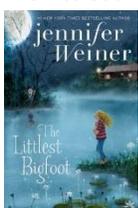
I survived the Joplin tornado, 2011, by Lauren Tarshis. A young boy in the middle of one of the deadliest tornado to strike the United States since 1947. **Call number: J FIC TAR**



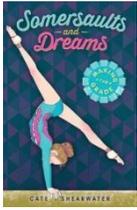
The initiation: Lock and key (book 1), by Ridley Pearson. Thrown into a boarding school against his wishes, James winds up rooming with a most unlikely companion: a lanky British know-it-all named Sherlock Holmes, and it doesn't take long for the two to find themselves embroiled in the school-wide scandal. The school is on lockdown until it's found, strange clues keep finding their way to James, and a secret society lurks behind it all. **Call number: M FIC PEA**



The littlest Bigfoot, by Jennifer Weiner. The story of twelve-year-old Alice, a misfit who is ignored by her own family and shipped off to boarding school. She'd love a friend, and one day she rescues mysterious Millie Maximus from drowning in a lake. Millie, it turns out, is a Bigfoot, part of a clan that lives deep in the woods. Alice swears to protect Millie and her tribe, and the two girls try to find a place where they both fit in. **Call number: M FIC WEI**



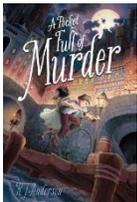
Making the grade, by Cate Shearwater. Ellie has a dream to become a world-class gymnast. When she's offered a place at the prestigious London Gymnastics Academy, it looks like she has a chance to make that dream come true. But there are many obstacles to overcome, new friends to make, and rivalries to face! **Call number: M FIC SHE**



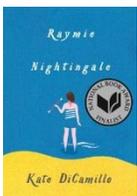
Nothing but trouble, by Jacqueline Davies. Two smart girls in one small town use their combined genius to liven up their world--one prank at a time. **Call number: YA FIC DAV**



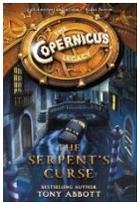
A pocket full of murder, by R.J. Anderson. In a world where magic is used for everything, only the wealthy and the upper classes can afford it. Isaveth and her family are so poor they can barely afford to feed themselves. When her father is wrongfully accused of murdering a high ranking official, Isaveth must use only her natural gifts of curiosity and intellect, and some help from her friend Quiz, to try to prove her father's innocence before it's too late. **Call number: M FIC AND**



Raymie Nightingale, by Kate DiCamillo. Raymie Clarke has a plan: if she can win the Little Miss Central Florida Tire competition, then her father, who left town two days ago with a dental hygienist, will see her picture in the paper and (maybe) come home. To win she has to contend with the wispy, frequently fainting Louisiana Elefante, and the fiery, stubborn Beverly Tapinski. But as the competition approaches, loneliness, loss, and unanswerable questions draw the three girls into an unlikely friendship -- and challenge each of them to come to the rescue in unexpected ways. **Call number: M FIC DIC**



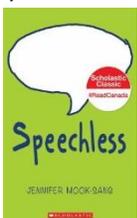
The serpent's curse: the Copernicus legacy, bk. 2, by Tony Abbott. As Wade, Darrell, Lily, and Becca continue their search for an ancient relic, Wade's mother is kidnapped by Galina Krause, leader of the present-day Teutonic Knights. **Call number: M FIC ABB**



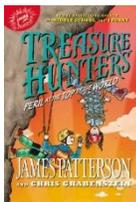
Seven dead pirates: ghost story, by Linda Bailey. Lewis Dearborn is a lonely and anxious boy of eleven whose great-grandfather passes away and leaves Lewis's family with his decaying seaside mansion. Soon Lewis discovers that it's already occupied by the ghosts of seven dead pirates. Worse, the ghosts expect him to help them re-take their ship, now restored and on display in a local museum, so they can make their way to Libertalia, a legendary pirate utopia. As Lewis warily sets out to assist them, he begins to open himself to the possibilities of friendship, passion and finds the courage to speak up. **Call number: M FIC BAI**



Speechless, by Jennifer Mook-Sang. Hilariously funny and just as poignant, *Speechless* is about finding out who your friends are, giving back, standing up to bullying and finding your own unique voice. **Call number: M FIC MOO**



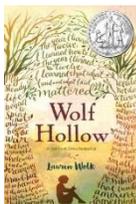
Treasure hunters: peril at the top of the world, by James Patterson and Chris Grabenstein. When a set of priceless paintings by Leonardo da Vinci and Rembrandt go missing in Russia, the Kidd siblings head to St. Petersburg and the wild Arctic tundra to find the bad guys and locate the treasure. **Call number: J FIC PAT**



The wild robot, by Peter Brown. Roz the robot discovers that she is alone on a remote, wild island with no memory of where she is from or why she is there, and her only hope of survival is to try to learn about her new environment from the island's hostile inhabitants. **Call number: M FIC BRO**

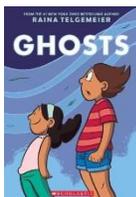


Wolf Hollow: a novel, by Lauren Wolk. Twelve-year-old Annabelle must learn to stand up for what's right in the face of a manipulative and violent new bully who targets people Annabelle cares about, including a homeless World War I veteran. **Call number: M FIC WOL**



Graphic Novels

Ghosts, by Raina Telgemeier. Catrina and her family have moved to the coast of Northern California for the sake of her little sister, Maya, who has cystic fibrosis. Cat is even less happy about the move when she is told that her new town is inhabited by ghosts, but Maya sets her heart on meeting one. **Call number: M FIC TEL**



Ghostopolis, by Doug TenNapel. When he is accidentally transported to the spirit world by a washed-out ghost wrangler, Garth Hale discovers that the world's evil ruler wants his unique powers, so he teams up with some unlikely allies to find a way home. **Call number: M FIC TEN**



Rapunzel's revenge, by Shannon and Dean Hale. Rapunzel is raised in a grand villa surrounded by towering walls. Rapunzel dreams of a different mother than Gothel, the woman she calls Mother. She climbs over the wall and finds out the truth. Her real mother, Kate, is a slave in Gothel's gold mine. In this Old West retelling, Rapunzel uses her hair as a lasso and to take on outlaws--including Gothel. **Call number: M FIC HAL**



The wrong Wrights, by Chris Kientz and Steve Hockensmith. Four schoolmates travel through time to try and restore the Wright brothers to their well-earned place in history and learn about aerodynamics and other aviation principles along the way. **Call number: M FIC KIE**

