Listen, Slowly
by Thanhha Lai
Lexile: 800; Realistic Fiction
Mai can’t wait to spend her vacation at the beach. Instead, she has to travel to Vietnam with her grandmother. Mai’s parents think this trip will be a great opportunity for their daughter to learn more about her family’s culture, but Mai disagrees. To survive her trip, Mai must find a balance between her two completely different worlds.

Snow Like Ashes
by Sara Raasch
Lexile: 930; Fantasy
Orphaned Meira, a fierce warrior from the Kingdom of Winter, has lived her whole life as a refugee. She would do anything to help Winter rise to power again— including putting herself in danger. When Meira finds a way to restore Winter’s power she is thrust into a world of evil magic and dangerous politics.

Loot: How to Steal a Fortune
by Jude Watson
Lexile: 560; Action & Adventure
When notorious jewel thief Alfie McQuinn is killed on a job, his last words to his son March are to “find jewels.” But he’s not talking about another job—he’s talking about Jules, the twin sister March never knew he had. March and Jules team up to solve the mystery of their father’s death and to carry out one last heist—one that will set them up for life.

The Swap
by Megan Shull
Lexile: 570; Fantasy
Seventh-grader Ellie is having best-friend problems, and eighth-grader Jack is under tremendous pressure from his father. When they switch bodies and lives, they learn a great deal about themselves and the opposite sex.

The Mark of the Dragonfly
by Jaleigh Johnson
Lexile: 820; Fantasy
Piper has never seen the Mark of the Dragonfly until she finds the mysterious girl amid the wreckage of a caravan in the Meteor Fields. If Piper can get the girl home to the Dragonfly Territories, she will get a reward. The journey will be dangerous, a little bit magical, and very exciting, if Piper can manage to survive.

Tell Me
by Joan Bauer
Lexile: 500HL; Realistic Fiction
Feeling scared and powerless when her father’s anger escalates and her parents separate, twelve-year-old Anna spends the summer with her grandmother. When she sees what seems to be a girl held against her will, Anna decides to make a difference and try to help.

Paper Things
by Jennifer Richard Jacobson
Lexile: 830; Realistic Fiction
When forced to choose between staying with her guardian and being with her big brother Gage, Ari chose her big brother. There’s just one problem—Gage doesn’t actually have a place to live. Gage struggles to find a home while Ari struggles with the pressures of middle school.

The Walk On
by John Feinstein
Lexile: 780; Sports Fiction
After moving to a new town his freshman year in high school, Alex Myers is happy to win a spot on the varsity team as a quarterback. But Alex must deal with the idea of not playing for two years since the first-string quarterback is not only a local hero, he is also the son of the corrupt head coach.
All Fall Down by Ally Carter  
Lexile: 610HL; Mystery
Grace Blakely is absolutely certain of three things: she is not crazy, her mother was murdered, and someday she is going to find the killer and make him pay. But nobody believes her, not her grandfather, a powerful ambassador, her new friends, or Alexei, the interesting boy next door. When Grace’s past comes back to hunt her, she isn’t the only one who will get hurt.

Famous Last Words by Katie Alender  
Lexile: 660; Mystery/Thriller
High-schooler Willa has just moved to California with her mother and film director stepfather. When she begins seeing things that are not really there, like a dead body in the swimming pool, she realizes her visions may be connected to a serial killer that is stalking young girls in Hollywood.

The Bridge from Me to You by Lisa Schroeder  
Lexile: 540HL; Realistic Fiction
New girl Lauren has a secret. Football hero Colby has a problem. But when they find each other, they build something stronger than either of them thought possible -- something to truly believe in.

Fish in a Tree by Lynda Mullaly Hunt  
Lexile: 550; Realistic Fiction
Ally is able to hide her inability to read by creating clever yet disruptive distractions. Her newest teacher Mr. Daniels sees the bright, creative kid underneath the trouble maker. With his help, Ally learns not to be so hard on herself and that dyslexia is nothing to be ashamed of.

The Cure for Dreaming by Cat Winters  
Lexile: 880; Historical Fiction
In Portland, Oregon, in 1900, seventeen-year-old Olivia Mead, a suffragist, is hypnotized by the intriguing young Henri Reverie, who is paid by her father to make her more docile and womanly but who, instead, gives her the ability to see people’s true natures, while she secretly continues fighting for women’s rights.

Girl on a Wire by Gwenda Bond  
Lexile: 700; Mystery/Thriller
Sixteen-year-old Jules Maroni has dreamed of being a famous high-wire walker. When her family is hired by the Cirque American, they compete against the Flying Garcias, the Maronis’ rivals and sworn enemies. When bad luck talismans appear to threaten her future, Jules teams up with Remy Garcia before both Jules and her dream fall into the nets.

Hunt for the Bamboo Rat by Graham Salisbury  
Lexile: 510HL; Historical Fiction
Zenji Watanabe, seventeen, is sent from Hawaii to the Philippines to spy on the Japanese during World War II. After he is captured and tortured, Zenji must find a way to survive months of being lost in the jungle behind enemy lines.

If You’re Reading This by Trent Reedy  
Lexile: 700; Realistic Fiction
Sixteen-year-old Michael Wilson’s father was killed in Afghanistan in 2005, and his family has not recovered. When Michael suddenly starts to receive letters that his father wrote before his death, he enjoys spending time with his dad again. But can his family heal and become whole again?

The Honest Truth by Dan Gemeinhart  
Lexile: 550; Realistic Fiction
In all the ways that matter, Mark is a normal kid. But in one important way, Mark is not like other kids at all. Mark is sick—the kind of sick some people never get better from. Before it’s too late, Mark wants to fulfill his dream of climbing a mountain, so he runs away. He leaves home with his camera, his notebook, his dog, and a plan—a plan to reach the top of Mount Rainier, even if it’s the last thing he ever does.