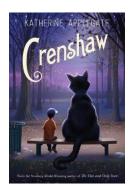
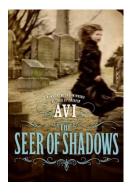


# **Upper Elementary Fantasy Books**

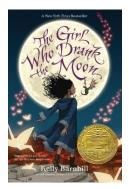
#### Recommended for Grades 4 - 6



<u>Crenshaw</u> (J APP) by Katherine Appelgate: Jackson and his family have fallen on hard times. There's no more money for rent. And not much for food, either. His parents, his little sister, and their dog may have to live in their minivan. Again. Crenshaw is a cat. He's large, he's outspoken, and he's imaginary. He has come back into Jackson's life to help him. But is an imaginary friend enough to save this family from losing everything? Also available as <u>eBook</u> and <u>Audiobook</u>



<u>The Seer of Shadows</u> (J AVI) by Avi: In New York City in 1872, fourteen-year-old Horace, a photographer's apprentice, becomes entangled in a plot to create fraudulent spirit photographs, but when Horace accidentally frees the real ghost of a dead girl bent on revenge, his life takes a frightening turn. Also available as eBook



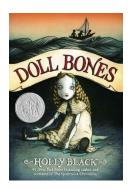
<u>The Girl Who Drank the Moon</u> (J BAR) by Kelly Barnhill: Luna, whose magical abilities are emerging, was raised in the forest by a witch, a swamp monster, and a dragon, but when a young man from the Protectorate is determined to kill the witch, Luna must use her magic to protect her family. Also available as eBook and Audiobook



<u>Circus Mirandus</u> (J BEA) by Cassie Beasley: When he realizes that his grandfather's stories of an enchanted circus are true, Micah Tuttle sets out to find the mysterious Circus Mirandus - and to use its magic to save his grandfather's life. Also available as <u>eBook</u> and Audiobook



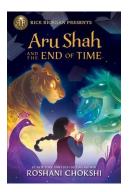
<u>Serafina and the Black Cloak</u> (J BEA) by Robert Beatty: Living secretly in the basement of a grand estate where her pa works as a maintenance man, young Serafina narrowly escapes a black-cloaked man who has been abducting local children and who Serafina, aided by a youth from the estate, endeavors to expose. (Series) Also available as <u>eBook</u> and Audiobook



<u>Doll Bones</u> (J BLA) by Holly Black: Zach, Alice, and Poppy, friends from a Pennsylvania middle school who have long enjoyed acting out imaginary adventures with dolls and action figures, embark on a real-life quest to Ohio to bury a doll made from the ashes of a dead girl. Also available as <u>eBook</u> and <u>Audiobook</u>



<u>The School for Good and Evil</u> (J CHA) by Roshani Chokshi: Best friends Sophie (princess wannabe) and Agatha (witchy loner) are headed (via kidnapping) to the School for Good and Evil, but their assumed destinies are reversed. (Series) Also available as <u>eBook</u> and Audiobook



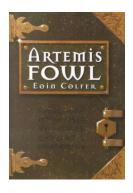
### Aru Shah and the End of Time (J CHO) by Roshani Chokshi:

Twelve-year-old Aru stretches the truth to fit in at her private school, but when she is dared to prove an ancient lamp is cursed, she inadvertently frees an ancient demon. (Series) Also available as <a href="mailto:eBook"><u>eBook</u></a> and <a href="mailto:Audiobook"><u>Audiobook</u></a>

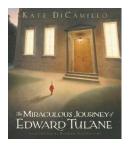


## The Land of Stories: The Wishing Spell (J COL) by Chris

**Colfer:** Through the mysterious powers of a cherished book of stories, twins Alex and Conner leave their world behind and find themselves in a foreign land full of wonder and magic where they come face-to-face with the fairy tale characters they grew up reading about. (Series) Also available as eBook and Audiobook

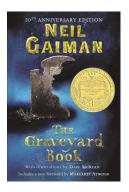


<u>Artemis Fowl</u> (J COL) by Eoin Colfer: When a twelve-year-old evil genius tries to restore his family fortune by capturing a fairy and demanding a ransom in gold, the fairies fight back with magic, technology, and a particularly nasty troll. (Series) Also available as <u>eBook</u> and <u>Audiobook</u>



### The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane (J DIC) by

**Kate DiCamillo:** Edward Tulane, a cold-hearted and proud toy rabbit, loves only himself until he is separated from the little girl who adores him and travels across the country, acquiring new owners and listening to their hopes, dreams, and histories. Also available as <a href="mailto:eBook">eBook</a> and <a href="Audiobook">Audiobook</a>



<u>The Graveyard Book</u> (J GAI and JPB GAI) by Neil Gaiman: Nobody Owens is a normal boy, except that he has been raised by ghosts and other denizens of the graveyard. Also available as <u>eBook</u> and <u>Audiobook</u>



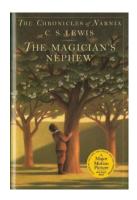
<u>A Tale Dark and Grimm</u> (J GID) by Adam Gidwitz: Follows Hansel and Gretel as they walk out of their own story and into eight more tales, encountering such wicked creatures as witches, along with kindly strangers and other helpful folk. Based in part on several of the Grimms' fairy tales. (Series) Also available as <u>eBook</u> and <u>Audiobook</u>



<u>Into the Wild</u> (J HUN) by Erin Hunter: For generations, four clans of wild cats have shared the forest. When their warrior code is threatened by mysterious deaths, a house cat named Rusty may turn out to be the bravest warrior of all. (Series) Also available as <u>eBook</u> and Audiobook



<u>The Tail of Emily Windsnap</u> (JPB KES) by Liz Kessler: After finally convincing her mother that she should take swimming lessons, twelve-year-old Emily discovers a terrible and wonderful secret about herself that opens up a whole new world. (Series) Also available as <u>eBook</u> and <u>Audiobook</u>



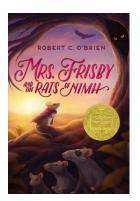
<u>The Magician's Nephew</u> (J LEW) by C.S. Lewis: When Digory and Polly try to return the wicked witch Jadis to her own world, the magic gets mixed up and they all land in Narnia where they witness Aslan blessing the animals with human speech. (Series) Also available as <u>eBook</u> and <u>Audiobook</u>



<u>The Unwanteds</u> (J MCM) by Lisa McMann: In a society that purges thirteen-year-olds who are creative, identical twins Aaron and Alex are separated, one to attend University while the other, supposedly Eliminated, finds himself in a wondrous place where youths hone their abilities and learn magic. (Series) Also available as eBook and Audiobook

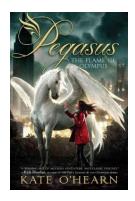


Keeper of the Lost Cities (J MES) by Shannon Messenger: At age twelve, Sophie learns that the remarkable abilities that have always caused her to stand out identify her as an elf, and after being brought to Eternalia to hone her skills, discovers that she has secrets buried in her memory for which some would kill. (Series) Also available as eBook



Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH (J OBR) by Robert C.

**O'Brien:** Mrs. Frisby, a widowed mouse with four small children, must move her family to their summer quarters immediately, or face almost certain death. But her youngest son, Timothy, lies ill with pneumonia and must not be moved. Fortunately, she encounters the rats of NIMH, an extraordinary breed of highly intelligent creatures, who come up with a brilliant solution to her dilemma. (Series) Also available as Audiobook



Pegasus: The Flame of Olympus (J OHE) by Kate O'Hearn:

Reborn as the Flame, thirteen-year-old Emily has saved Olympus from destruction but when the gruesome Nirads begin a new invasion, Emily and her friends become entangled in the conflict as old grudges are unearthed and new enemies are discovered. (Series) Also available as eBook



<u>Eragon</u> (J PAO) by Christopher Paolini: In Alagaesia, a fifteenyear-old boy of unknown lineage called Eragon finds a mysterious stone that weaves his life into an intricate tapestry of destiny, magic, and power, peopled with dragons, elves, and monsters. (Series) Also available as eBook and Audiobook

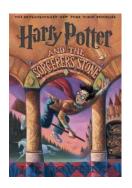


<u>Story Thieves</u> (J RIL) by James Riley: Except for reading the Kiel Gnomenfoot magic adventure series, Owen's life is boring until he sees his classmate Bethany climb out of a book in the school library and he learns that Bethany is half-fictional and has been searching every book she can find for her missing father, a fictional character. (Series) Also available as eBook and Audiobook



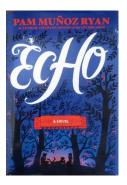
**The Lightning Thief** (J RIO and JPB RIO) by Rick Riordan:

Twelve-year-old Percy Jackson learns he is a demigod, the son of a mortal woman and Poseidon, god of the sea. His mother sends him to a summer camp for demigods where he and his new friends set out on a quest to prevent a war between the gods. (Series) Also available as <a href="mailto:eBook">eBook</a> and <a href="Audiobook">Audiobook</a>

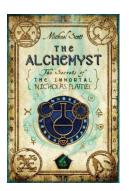


# Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone (J ROW and JPB ROW)

**by J. K. Rowling:** Rescued from the outrageous neglect of his aunt and uncle, a young boy with a great destiny proves his worth, while attending Hogwarts School for Wizards and Witches. (Series) Also available as <u>eBook</u> and <u>Audiobook</u>



**Echo** (J RYA) by Pam Muñoz Ryan: Lost in the Black Forest, Otto meets three mysterious sisters and finds himself entwined in a prophecy, a promise, and a harmonica--and decades later three children, Friedrich in Germany, Mike in Pennsylvania, and Ivy in California find themselves caught up in the same thread of destiny in the darkest days of the twentieth century, struggling to keep their families intact, and tied together by the music of the same harmonica. Also available as <u>eBook</u> and <u>Audiobook</u>



<u>The Alchemyst</u> (JPB SCO) by Michael Scott: While working at pleasant but mundane summer jobs in San Francisco, fifteen-year-old twins, Sophie and Josh, suddenly find themselves caught up in the deadly, centuries-old struggle between rival alchemists, Nicholas Flamel and John Dee, over the possession of an ancient and powerful book holding the secret formulas for alchemy and everlasting life. (Series) Also available as eBook and Audiobook

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