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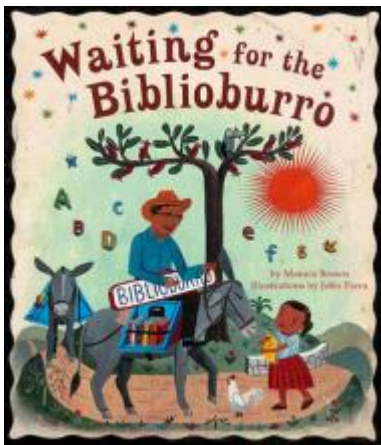
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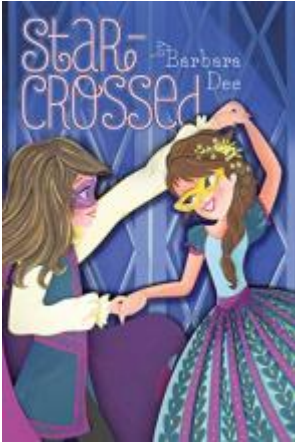
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Waiting for Biblioburro/Esperando el Biblioburro by Monica Brown

Una historia inspirado por el trabajo de Luis Soriano Bohorquez, un bibliotecario colombiano que tenia una biblioteca movil con sus burros. Viajaba con su biblioteca por montanas y valles para llevar libros a los lugares rurales de Colombia.

A story inspired by the work of Luis Soriano Bohorquez, a Colombian librarian who had a mobile library with the help of his donkeys. He traveled with his library through mountains and valleys to bring books to rural parts of Colombia.



Star-crossed by Barbara Dee

**Reading Level: Grades 4 through 8**

Eighth-grader Matilda, who goes by Mattie, is not used to being in the spotlight. She is perfectly happy playing the side character of Paris in her middle-school's production of *Romeo and Juliet*. However, she finds herself becoming more and more interested in the language of Shakespeare, as well as the cute new girl from England. But when the lead playing Romeo drops out, she is asked to step in to replace him. The only problem is, her crush Gemma Braithwaite is playing Juliet!

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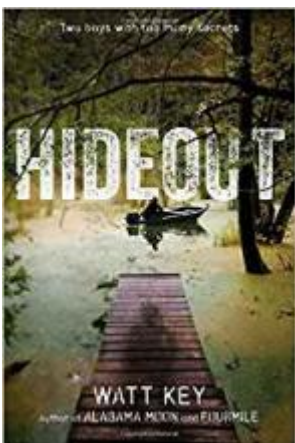
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[Gracefully Grayson](#) by Ami Polonski

[Drama](#) by Raina Telgemeier

[Better Nate than Ever](#) by Tim Federle



Hideout by Watt Key

## Reading Level: Ages 10-13

When 12-year-old Sam's father gave him his very own fishing boat, it came with rules. He had to wear a life jacket. He had to drive his boat carefully. And he was to stay on the Pascagoula River. But when Sam's school year ends with him being badly beaten by bullies, Sam feels the need to prove his courage. So he breaks his father's rule and steers his boat into the dangerous waterways of the nearby bayou where he finds a half-wild boy living in an abandoned fishing shack. The desperate boy begs Sam to keep him a secret. That promise launches Sam into a dangerous adventure...one that may cost him his life.

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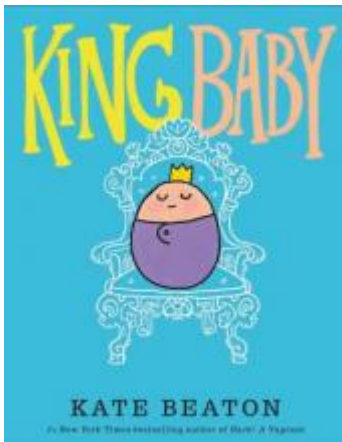
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### Other gripping survival adventures include:

[Lost in the River of Grass](#) by Ginny Rorby

[Take Me to the River](#) by Will Hobbs and

[The Wolf Keepers](#) by Elise Broach



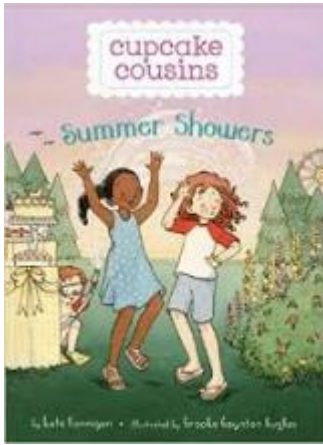
King Baby by Kate Beaton

### Reading Level: Ages 3 - 8

King baby, like every baby, is a gracious king and a demanding one, whose subjects are expected to bow to his every command.

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Summer Showers by Kate Hannigan

**Reading level:** Grades 3 - 4

The entire Bumpus family is together again for their annual summer vacation. Cousins Delia and Willow are determined to carry on as chefs despite Willow's broken hand. There's lots to do. They hope to drum up business for the new Arts and Eats cafe with a winning entry at the county fair. They also plan to cater Aunt Rosie's baby shower and Delia really hopes she'll be able to find the heirloom ring that grandma gave her. Could it have fallen into some batter? The second entry in the Cupcake Cousins series has new Kate Hannigan tested recipes. Readers will relish this lively, sweet celebration of family.

**Meet author Kate Hannigan at the library on January 9th.**

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