September to December 2018 Dewey Picks – Children's & Young Adult Titles Canadian Manda Group



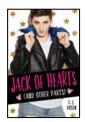
Dear Evan Hansen by Val Emmich- Little, Brown- 978-0-31642023-5- HC- \$24.99- Young Adult Fiction- 352 pp.- October 2018- Ages 14+

When a letter that was never meant to be seen by anyone draws high school senior Evan Hansen into a family's grief over the loss of their son, he is given the chance of a lifetime: to belong. He just has to stick to a lie he never meant to tell, that the notoriously troubled Connor Murphy was his secret best friend. No longer tangled in his once-incapacitating anxiety, this new Evan has a purpose. And a website. He's confident. He's a viral phenomenon. Every day is amazing. Until everything is in danger of unraveling and he comes face to face with his greatest obstacle: himself.



The War Outside by Monica Hesse- Little, Brown- 978-0-316-31669-9- HC- \$23.49- Young Adult Fiction- 36 pp.- September 2018- Ages 12+

It's 1944, and World War II is raging across Europe and the Pacific. Haruko and Margot meet at the high school in Crystal City, a "family internment camp" for those accused of colluding with the enemy. With everything around them falling apart, Margot and Haruko find solace in their growing, secret friendship. But in a prison the government has deemed full of spies, can they trust anyone--even each other?



Jack of Hearts (and other parts) by L. C. Rosen- Little, Brown- 978-0-316-48053-6- HC-\$23.49- Young Adult Fiction- 352 pp.- October 2018- Ages 14+

Jack has a lot of sex--and he's not ashamed of it. While he's sometimes ostracized, and gossip constantly rages about his sex life, Jack always believes that "it could be worse." But then, the worse unexpectedly strikes: When Jack starts writing a teen sex advice column for an online site, he begins to receive creepy and threatening love letters that attempt to force Jack to curb his sexuality and personality. Now it's up to Jack and his best friends to uncover the stalker.



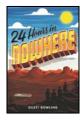
Words We Don't Say by K. J. Reilly- Disney Hyperion- 978-1-368-01633-9- HC- \$18.99-Young Adult Fiction- 288 pp.- October 2018- Ages 12+

Ever since the thing that happened, there are certain people Joel hasn't been able to talk to. So instead of hanging out with people in real life, he drafts text messages. But he never presses send. As dismal as sophomore year was, he doesn't see how junior year will be any better. But as Joel spends more time at the soup kitchen with Eli and Benj, he forms bonds with the people they serve there and begins to understand that the world is bigger than his own pain.



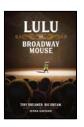
All the Things That Could Go Wrong by Sewart Foster- Little, Brown- 978-0-31641685-6-HC- \$22.49- Middle Grade Fiction- 336 pp.- September 2018- Ages 8-12

Alex's OCD is so severe that some days it is difficult for him to even leave his house. His classmate Dan is so angry that he lashes out at the easiest target he can find at school-Alex. When their moms arrange for the two classmates to spend time together over winter break, it seems like a recipe for certain disaster...until it isn't and these two sworn enemies discover that there is much more to each of them than they ever knew.



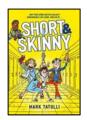
24 Hours in Nowhere by Dusti Bowling- Sterling Publishing- 978-1-4549-2924-6- HC- \$19.95- Middle Grade Fiction- 256 pp.- September 2018- Ages 8-12

When Bo tries to force Gus to eat a dangerously spiny cactus, Rossi Scott comes to his rescue—but in return she has to give Bo her prized dirt bike. Determined to buy it back, Gus agrees to go searching for gold in Dead Frenchman Mine, joined by his old friends Jessie Navarro and Matthew Dufort, and Rossi herself. As they hunt for treasure, and bond over shared stories of how hard life in Nowhere is they realize this adventure just may be their way out.



Lulu the Broadway Mouse by Jenna Gavigan- Running Press- 978-0-7624-6461-6- HC-\$22.49- Middle Grade Fiction- 256 pp.- October 2018- Ages 8-12

Lulu has a very big dream: she wants to be on Broadway. She wants it more than anything in the world. As it happens, she *lives* in Broadway's Shubert Theatre; so achieving her dream shouldn't be too tricky, right? Wrong. Because the thing about Lulu? She's a little girl *mouse*. When a human girl named Jayne joins the cast of the show at the Shubert as an understudy, Lulu becomes Jayne's guide through the world of her theatre and its wonderfully kooky cast and crew.



Short & Skinny by Mark Tatulli- Little, Brown- 978-0-316-44049-3- HC- \$32.49- Middle Grade Non-Fiction Graphic Novel- 256 pp.- October 2018- Ages 8-12

As a middle schooler, Mark finds himself on the smaller side of the physical spectrum--being short AND skinny has really wreaked havoc on his confidence. So to end his bullying woes and get the girl--or at least the confidence to talk to the girl--he starts to explore bulking up by way of the miracle cures in the backs of his comics. But his obsession with beefing up is soon derailed by a new obsession: *Star Wars*. (simultaneous TPB available 978-0-316-44051-6)



Sleepy the Goodnight Buddy by Drew Daywalt & Scott Campbell- Disney Hyperion- 978-1-4847-8969-8- HC- \$17.99- Picture Book- 40 pp.- September 2018- Ages 3-5

Roderick hates going to bed, and has become quite resourceful in coming up with ways to delay the dreaded hour when the lights must go out. Roderick's parents--fed up with the distractions and demands that have become his anti-bedtime ritual--decide to get him a stuffed animal to cuddle with and help him wind down. However, Sleepy quickly proves to be a bit high-maintenance.



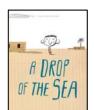
The Very Last Castle by Travis Jonker & Mark Pett- Abrams- 978-1-4197-2574-6- HC-\$21.99- Picture Book- 40 pp.- October 2018- Ages 4-8

A curious little girl watches the man who guards the last castle in town. While the other townspeople fear what may be locked up inside the mysterious castle, the girl finally gets up the courage to knock on the door and find out what's really behind the gate. A story about overcoming fear of the unknown, trying new things, and reaching out to make new friends.



Mae's First Day of School by Kate Berube- Abrams- 978-1-44197-2325-4- HC- \$21.99-Picture Book- 32 pp.- September 2018- Ages 3-7

As Mae's first day of school approaches she decides she IS. NOT. GOING. What if the other kids don't like her? Or what if she's the only one who doesn't know how to write? Or what if she misses her mom? Mae's anxiety only builds as she walks to school. But then she meets Rosie and Ms. Pearl. Will making new friends show her that they can conquer their fears together?



A Drop of the Sea by Ingrid Chabbert & Guridi- Kids Can Press- 978-1-5253-0124-7- HC-\$18.99- Picture Book- 36 pp.- October 2018- Ages 4-7

Ali lives with his great-grandmother in a tiny clay house at the edge of the desert. But lately, Ali has begun to notice how his great-grandmother has aged. And one day, he asks if her life's dreams have come true. All except one, she tells him. She had a dream to see the sea, but now she is too old to go. So, the next morning, Ali sets off with a pail in hand. He is going to bring the sea to her.



Business Pig by Andrea Zuill- Sterling Publishing- 978-1-45492684-9- HC- \$22.95- Picture Book- 32 pp.- September 2018- Ages 3-7

Right from the start, everyone at the barnyard could tell Jasper wasn't like his siblings. No wallowing in the mud or rooting for grubs for Jasper; he'd rather help with the bookkeeping or conduct a meeting. But no matter how many business cards he hands out, no one wants to adopt him. Can this above-average pig find his special person to cut deals with?

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