



The books listed here are also a mixture of the elements that made J.K. Rowling a household name. Give something new a try!

If you liked the adventure:

- *The Rope Trick* by Lloyd Alexander. JFic Alex
 - Motivated by her quest to learn a legendary rope trick, the magician Princess Lidi and her troupe embark on a journey through Renaissance Italy that intertwines adventure, love, and mystery.
- *The Wind on Fire Trilogy*, by William Nicholson. YAFic Nicholson
 - After Kestrel Hath rebels against the stifling rules of Amaranth society and is forced to flee, she, along with her twin brother and a tagalong classmate, follow an ancient map in quest of the legendary silver voice of the wind singer, in an attempt to heal Amaranth and its people.
- *Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of Nimh*, by Robert O'Brien. JFic Obri
 - Having no one to help her with her problems, a widowed mouse visits the rats whose former imprisonment in a laboratory made them wise and long lived.
- *Percy Jackson & the Olympians Series*, by Rick Riordan. JFic Rior
 - After learning that he is the son of a mortal woman and Poseidon, god of the sea, twelve-year-old Percy is sent to a summer camp for demigods like himself, and joins his new friends on a quest to prevent a war between the gods.
- *Queen's Thief Series*, by Megan Whalen Turner. YAFic Turn
 - Gen flaunts his ingenuity as a thief and relishes the adventure that takes him to a remote temple of the gods where he will attempt to steal a precious stone.

If you liked the Fantasy:

- *The Underland Chronicles*, by Suzanne Collins. JFic Collins
 - When eleven-year-old Gregor and his two-year-old sister are pulled into a strange underground world, they trigger an epic battle involving men, bats, rats, cockroaches, and spiders while on a quest foretold by ancient prophecy.
- *The Dragon Slayers*, by Bruce Coville. JFic Covi
 - A brave squire, an earnest page, and a strong-willed princess set out, each for individual reasons, to try to slay the dragon created to carry out a witch's revenge.
- *Circle of Magic Quartet*, by Tamora Pierce. YAFic Pier
 - Four young misfits find themselves living in a strictly disciplined temple community where they become friends while also learning to do crafts and to use their powers, especially magic.
- *His Dark Materials Trilogy*, by Philip Pullman. YAFic Pullman
 - Accompanied by her daemon, Lyra Belacqua sets out to prevent her best friend and other kidnapped children from becoming the subject of gruesome experiments in the Far North.

If you liked the humor:

- *Witches*, by Roald Dahl, JFic Dahl
 - A boy and his Norwegian grandmother, who is an expert on witches, together foil a witches' plot to destroy the world's children by turning them into mice.

- *The Secret of Platform 13*, by Eva Ibbotson, JFic Ibbo
 - Ode Gribble, a young hag, accompanies an old wizard, a gentle fey, and a giant ogre on their mission through a magical tunnel from their Island to London to rescue their King and Queen's son who had been stolen as an infant.
- *The Greatest Show Off Earth*, by Margaret Mahy. JFic Mahy
 - Delphinium spends her tenth birthday aboard a traveling space circus, fighting against the dark forces who are bent on stamping out fun.
- *The Amazing Maurice and his Educated Rodents*, by Terry Pratchett. YAFic Prat
 - A talking cat, intelligent rats, and a strange boy cooperate in a Pied Piper scam until they try to con the wrong town and are confronted by a deadly evil rat king.
- *Knights of the Kitchen Table*, by Jon Scieszka. JFic Scie
 - Joe receives a magic book for his birthday present from his uncle. Joe, Fred and Sam are transported to a time when evil knights, fire-breathing dragons and vile-smelling giants roamed the land.

If you liked the magic:

- *The Wish Giver*, by Bill Brittain. JFic Brit
 - When a strange little man comes to the Coven Tree Church Social promising he can give people exactly what they ask for, three young believers-in-magic each make a wish that comes true in the most unexpected way.
- *Ella Enchanted*, by Gail Carson Levine. JFic Levi
 - In this novel based on the story of Cinderella, Ella struggles against the childhood curse that forces her to obey any order given to her.
- *Castle in the Attic*, by Elizabeth Winthrop, JFic Wint
 - A gift of a toy castle, complete with silver knight, introduces William to an adventure involving magic and a personal quest.

If you liked the Wizards:

- *The Lost Years of Merlin Series*, by T. A. Barron, YAFic Barr
 - A young boy who has no identity nor memory of his past washes ashore on the coast of Wales and finds his true name after a series of fantastic adventures.
- *Howl's Castle Series*, by Diana Wynne Jones, PBK YA WY
 - Eldest of three sisters in a land where it is considered to be a misfortune, Sophie is resigned to her fate as a hat shop apprentice until a witch turns her into an old woman and she finds herself in the castle of the greatly feared wizard Howl.
- *The Charlie Bone Series*, by Jenny Nimmo. JFic Nimm
 - Charlie Bone's life with his widowed mother and two grandmothers undergoes a dramatic change when he discovers that he can hear people in photographs talking.
- *Wee Free Men* by Terry Pratchett. JFic Prat
 - A young witch-to-be named Tiffany teams up with the Wee Free Men, a clan of six-inch-high blue men, to rescue her baby brother and ward off a sinister invasion from Fairyland
- *A Wizard's Dozen*, edited by Michael Steirs, YAFic Wiza
 - Short stories featuring, among others, a werewolf princess, a water nymph, and a midget giant.

