

TWEEN READS FOR GUYS

Ready to make the leap from J to YA? Try some of these crossover titles great for 5th and 6th graders.

Location	Title/Author	Grade	Synopsis
YA CAR	<u>Quantum Prophecy: The Awakening</u> By Michael Carroll	5 – 8	Ten years after the disappearance of superhumans--both heroes and villains--thirteen-year-olds Danny and Colin begin to develop super powers, making them the object of much unwanted attention.
YA PB COL	<u>Half Moon Investigations</u> By Eoin Colfer	5 – 8	Twelve-year-old private investigator Fletcher Moon, nicknamed "Half Moon" because of his shortness, must track down a conspiracy or be framed for a crime he did not commit.
YA HAD	<u>Among the Hidden</u> By Margaret Peterson Haddix	4 – 7	In a future where the Population Police enforce the law limiting a family to only two children, Luke has lived all his twelve years in isolation and fear on his family's farm, until another "third" convinces him that the government is wrong.
YA KEY	<u>Alabama Moon</u> By Watt Key	5 – 8	After the death of his father, ten-year-old Moon leaves their forest shelter home and is sent to an Alabama institution, becoming entangled in the outside world he has never known and making good friends, a relentless enemy, and finally a new life.
YA LAN	<u>Skulduggery Pleasant</u> By Derek Landy	4 – 8	When twelve-year-old Stephanie inherits her weird uncle's estate, she must join forces with Skulduggery Pleasant, a skeleton mage, to save the world from the Faceless Ones.
J PAU	<u>Hatchet</u> By Gary Paulsen	4 – 7	After a plane crash, thirteen-year-old Brian spends fifty-four days in the wilderness, learning to survive initially with only the aid of a hatchet given him by his mother, and learning also to survive his parents' divorce.
YA RIO	<u>The Lightning Thief</u> By Rick Riordan	5 – 8	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.
YA SOT	<u>Mercy on These Teenage Chimps</u> By Gary Soto	5 – 8	At age thirteen, best friends Ronnie and Joey suddenly feel like chimps—long armed, big eared, and gangly—and when the coach humiliates Joey in front of a girl, he climbs up a tree and refuses to come down.
J SMI	<u>Cryptid Hunters</u> By Roland Smith	5 – 8	Twins Grace and Marty, along with a mysterious uncle, are dropped into the middle of the Congolese jungle in search of their missing photojournalist parents.
J WIN	<u>Adam Canfield of the Slash</u> By Michael Winerip	4 – 7	While serving as co-editors of their school newspaper, middle-schoolers Adam and Jennifer uncover fraud and corruption in their school and in the city's government.